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Monthly Committee Meeting

Tuesday 18 June 2024 at 7pm in the Bonny Hills Community Hall

Meeting Opened: 7.01 pm

Welcome by Chair/President: Paul P

Committee & members attendance : Paul Poleweski, Sue Poleweski, Roger Barlow, Pam Barlow, Kathy Regan, Ian Simpson, Ross Smith, Bill Howell, Ian Richardson, Helen Smith,

Apologies : Tony Robinson, John Drinan, Paul Galland, (Invited Guest) Nicole Kosseris (PMHC Community Engagement & Communications Coordinator)

Conflicts of interest: Nil

Acceptance of Previous Minutes of meeting held 21 May 2024

Moved: Kathy Regan

Seconded: Roger Barlow

Membership (Pam Barlow)

3 new family members: Bradley Harrison & Kelly Lyon, Kayne Jones & Tiarni Robertson, Ruth Klumpp

Action: Recognition of new members discussed including a letter from the membership officer & a welcome pack

Pam advised members who have not paid membership for past 2 years have been removed from the membership list.

Reports and Correspondence

Treasurer's Report

BONNY HILLS PROGRESS ASSOCIATION (BHPA)		
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FROM 19 MAY TO 16 JUNE 2024		
1) Community Support/Members Account (500031361)		Balance 16 JUNE
Balance 19 May 2024	\$1,151.96	
Receipts		
Member Fees	\$105.00	
Payments		
Misc Dr (To be reversed)	\$102.00	
		\$1,154.96
2) Community Strength Account (500111729) and Comm Strength Inv Account (100519540)		
Balance 19 May 2024	\$27,471.64	
Receipts		
Bank Int	\$75.47	
Payments		
Member BBQ costs	\$268.70	
(Inv A/C \$27000 @ 3.25%)		\$27,278.41
3) Grants Account (500204783)		
Balance 29 Feb 2024	\$0.00	
Receipts		
Payments		
		\$0.00
4) Events Account (100474271)		
Balance 19 May 2024	\$2,000.00	
Receipts		
Misc Cr (To go to Admin)	\$20.00	
Payments		
Refund of Donation in 2023	\$1,000.00	
		\$1,020.00
TOTAL FUNDS HELD AT		BANK
		\$29,453.37

Moved: Sue Poleweski
Seconded: Pam Barlow
 Carried

Correspondence In

			May/June
David Gillespie	Com Gov	Newsletter/Nationals Propaganda	May 24
John Drinan		Thanks you for the flowers...	May 26
Lesley Williams	NSW Gov	Newsletter/Liberals Propaganda	May 27
John Drinan		Thanks you for the flowers...	May 27
Roger Barlow		Thank you email	May 27
Lisa Essex-Evans	PMHC	Letter from Lucille Marshal in response	May 28
Chantelle Ansell	NOTA	Advertising Rates	May 29
	Essential En	Confirmation of forum attendance	May 30
Jane McIntyre	Inklings	Camden Haven Newsletter	May 31
David Gillespie	Com Gov	Newsletter/Nationals Propaganda	June 6
	PMHC	Have Your Say	June 11
Alex Gray	PMHC	Contact information re signage	June 12
	KAB	Keep Australia Beautiful Newsletter	June 13
	NSW Gov	Tax related changes	June 13
John Heath		Confirmation of assistance re BBR Signage	June 13
	CISS	My Community Directory Update details	June 14
Deborah Kelly	KAB	Newsletter	June 14
Lesley Williams	Newsletter	Newsletter/Liberals Propaganda	June 14
Rod Bucton	CHCC	Thank you , and link to membership of the CHCC	June 17

Correspondence Out

			May/June
Tony Robinson	BHPA	Thanks to members for support for RB	May 30
Paul Poleweski	BHPA	Confirmation of date/time for meeting re PMHC Housing	June 3
Kathy Regan	BHPA	Thank you to Brian Barker for painting	June 4
Kathy Regan	BHPA	Thank you to CRAVE and BBC	June 4
Tony Robinson	PMHC - Alex Gray	Request for information re signage	June 7
Tony Robinson	John Heath	Request re BBR Signage	June 11
Kathy Regan	BHPA	Informed of upcoming news re GRDT	June 13

General Business

- a) **CCAT review** – Email received from PMHC Nicole_Kosseris referencing *Have your say* as preferred avenue to individuals / committees when raising community issues / concerns.

Current Situation

Rainbow Beach Reserve (RBR) Master Plan is not included in Draft Recreation & Open Space Action Plan 2024-29 despite advice from Nicole that a budget allocation had been made for it in 2026/27. The Plan did record that “Bonny Hills Reserves Master Plan development” was a Completed action in 2015-24.

Actions: Paul to raise the contradiction/omission with PMHC.

- b) **Housing for the Future and Op Plan 24/25** – Four BHPA members met with Council (Alex Adkins and Alex Gray) at their chambers on 5th June to discuss the Housing strategy and plan going through to 2046. Good discussion took place for an hour, with a summary of our feedback to be submitted by the 23rd June deadline.
On the Op Plan, just over 300 responses from individuals and Groups were received via *Have your say* feedback. Paul advised some of the response stats he obtained. Councillors will review that information at their next meeting on 20th June and decide whether to continue with the 0% rate peg or not.
Action: Paul to make a submission on the Housing issue to Council on behalf of BHPA
- c) **Electrify 2445 initiative** – BHPA members met with local MP, Leslie Williams on 24 May to enquire if subsidies for home installation of solar batteries was being looked at in NSW given Qld had already done so. Co-incidentally later that day the NSW Gov’t announced a policy to commence subsidising certain home battery installations from November 2024. Tony also attended the Essential Energy Forum.
- d) **Bands at Bonnys Event** Saturday 20 July 2024. A Promotional Poster has been placed on Facebook pages and will be provided to local businesses. Tickets can be obtained via Eventbrite.
Action: A meeting of event organisers is to be held next week to develop a run sheet, confirm volunteer needs on the day and consider whether additional promotion is needed.
- e) **BHPA Member BBQ** on 25th May. A successful event was held with 50 members & friends attending. Highlight was presentation to Roger recognising 15 years as President. Thanks to Kathy for organising the event and eventual media coverage. It has since been discovered that Leslie Williams made mention of Roger’s achievement in Parliament (NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard – 04 June 2024)
- f) **Feedback from Hall users** on the need for audio-visual and sound system installation.
Action: Bill to contact all users to seek need/use of equipment if provided

g) Constitution update and organisation name review

VP Roger is reviewing the Constitution and has suggested several changes are required incorporating some of the Dept of Fair Trading Model Constitution (2022) allowing for BHPA’s unique features and with the underlying principle of ‘*Keeping it Simple*’.

Feedback from four Committee members supports retention of our current title ie. Bonny Hills Progress Association Inc. [It was noted that the word *progress* is defined as ‘*moving towards an improved state*’, which sums up our intention as an organisation]. It was decided that no change was needed on that basis.

Action: Roger to incorporate proposed changes into a Draft Constitution (with changes highlighted) for circulation and endorsement by the Committee.

“While not required by the Act, it is recommended the Association consider passing a special resolution to adopt a complete constitution consolidating any changes”.

A Special meeting of all members or equivalent will need to be called to pass this resolution.

h) Applying for Community Grants from Local/State/Commonwealth fund sources.

Action: All Committee members were requested by Paul P to nominate suggested projects that may be possible and beneficial to the community with Grant support. These nominations will then be summarised, validated and if deemed appropriate for us to pursue, then prioritised for possible Application by project Champions.

Updates on other Business items:

i) Houston Mitchell Drive/Pacific Highway intersection Kathy advised she had been contacted by PRIME (Coastal News) for a quick comment on this item.

j) Stormwater/Sewerage monitoring. Ross advised there have been low E-Coli levels in waterways based on routine Council monitoring.

k) 2025 Art Prize - planning is on-track

l) Proposed Walkway signage. Ian advised there are two stages of signage under consideration: Coastal Walk signs for Bonny Hills precinct & the historic Bartlett's Beach Reserve area as a continuation of the Grants Head walking track signs from Camden Head. Discussions with PMHC continue.

m) Local Fire Management – No update

n) Coastal Residents United. Submission to NSW Govt Inquiry on Zombie DAs submitted by Paul P - Noted

o) Vegetation clearance issue. Ngamba Place – No update

Other Business

- Kathy advised that PMHC is advertising a Junior Bush Buddies Painting in the Park event for 8-14 years @ RB Reserve on 9 July (10am-12N). **Comment** - No contact with BH/local Artists. **Action:** Paul P to escalate disappointment on lack of communication to PMHC.
- Helen advised letter from Council raises the possibility that the proposed private building development on RB Reserve may be making application to expand its footprint. **(to be confirmed)**
- Ross Smith circulated a petition to PMHC Councillors to adopt the Endorsed DRAFT Camden Head Master Plan (2024) with regard to preservation of Native flora at the Pilot Station Lookout precinct.

Meeting closed: 8.47pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 16 July 2024, 7pm

President
Paul Poleweski

A/Secretary
Ian Simpson