

AUBURN RECREATION PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD

ON MONDAY 4 MARCH 2019 AT 8 PM.

1. **PRESENT :** B. Van Diemen, P. Giles, K. Allen, D. Williams, B. Byrne, L. Newell, B. Parkinson, E. Rosenzweig, R. Schmerl, E. & H. Whiteman
2. **APOLOGIES :** C. Evans
3. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**
Minutes of the meeting held on 10 December were confirmed with the amendment that paragraph 7.5 should read 'north east edges' in lieu of 'north west edges'.
Moved B. Byrne, seconded L. Newell. **CARRIED**
4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES :**
 - 4.1 B. van Diemen advised that the boundary panels for the verandah on the cricket clubrooms were still to be purchased.
 - 4.2 The committee has yet to be advised by Council of estimated costs for the replacement of the Waste Treatment System at the park, to assist with our budget considerations for 2019-20.
5. **CORRESPONDENCE :**
 - 5.1 Note from E. Whiteman re payments for replacement of three doors on buildings in the recreation park.
 - 5.2 Emails to and from C & GV Council on the same matter as in para 5.1.
 - 5.3 Email from C & GV Council highlighting a marked increase in our most recent electricity bill. Eric to respond that recent heatwaves together with high occupancy rates in the caravan park were the most likely reason.
 - 5.4 D. Williams was thanked by the Chair for representing the Committee at the Community Group / Peak Bodies Forum held in Auburn on February 25 February. A copy of his report was tabled.
6. **FINANCIAL REPORT :**
 - 6.1 Bank Balance as at 31 January was \$117,983.41.
 - 6.2 The question of whether Committee Funds or Council Funds should be used to pay for the replacement of external doors on the disabled toilet, the cricket club rooms and the arts & crafts room toilet was discussed. B. Byrne, B. Parkinson and E. Whiteman recall undertakings by previous Council administration at the time the Committee became a Section 41 committee that all maintenance on park buildings and other infrastructure/assets would be a Council responsibility at Council expense. The Committee was unanimous that this arrangement should continue, particularly as no notice of any change in this arrangement has ever been given. B. Van Diemen added that Council should also recognise the regular maintenance and improvements of the park grounds by volunteers, and that much of this work would otherwise fall on Council staff. P. Giles and B. Van Diemen will take this matter to Council administration during upcoming budget discussions in coming weeks.

7. REPORTS :

- 7.1 Art Group - E. Rosenzweig thanked B. Van Diemen for the upgrade to the toilet at the Arts and Crafts Room. It has been painted, tiled and a new cistern installed. She also acknowledged L. Newell and C. Evans for watering the trees and shrubs.
She expressed disappointment with the fact that for the first time in many years the Art Show will be held in Riverton due to the high cost and restrictions associated with using the Auburn Institute. B. Van Diemen will raise this issue with the ACDC Chairperson.
- 7.2 Handspinners & Fibre Group – L. Newell reported that the group was very grateful to have an air conditioner in the Arts and Crafts Room during the recent heatwaves. She also acknowledged the upgraded toilet and noted that the trees and shrubs planted last winter are thriving.
- 7.3 Bowls – R. Schmerl advised that the Bowling Club was considering a lease agreement with C & GV Council to allow it to arrange its own contractors for works on the building and other infrastructure. The alfresco and paving project is all but complete with only a few minor items still needing attention.
- 7.4 Cricket – K. Allen reported that the cricket season is now at an end. An external power point has been installed at the cricket nets and this saves the club having a noisy generator running the bowling machine during practice.
- 7.5 Tennis – no report.
- 7.6 Caravan Park – H Whiteman reported \$18,109.10 income since our last meeting, averaging \$1509.09 per week.
The office located in the sports change rooms has had insulation installed in the ceiling making the room far more comfortable during hot weather.
A large pine tree has been removed from the western side of the paved court area outside the camp kitchen.
E. Whiteman reported that a number of visitors have experienced blown hose fittings due to the high water pressure in the park. He will investigate some options to place pressure reducers into the water line and make a recommendation at the next meeting.
He is also obtaining quotes for costs associated with providing two extra sites on the west side of the courts, but we will withhold application to Council until the Septic Waste Disposal System has been replaced.

10. NEXT MEETING will be on Monday 15 April 2019 at 8 p.m.

Meeting Closed at 9:10 pm.

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