



MINUTES OF MRCA COMMITTEE MEETING 5 NOVEMBER 2008

Meeting opened 7.10pm

Present: Mareeca Steer, Martin Hughes, Trish Grice, Bronwyn Gattringer, Jeremy Mears, Brent Wallis, Tony Robinson, Carmel Birch, James Ryrrie

Apologies: Paul Kennedy, Charles Gannon, Michael Lees

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 5 November 2008

Amendment to minutes – Tony Robinson was an apology for the last meeting.

Amendment to item 2(iv) Tony Robinson formulated a response to Council that was emailed to all MRCA Committee members for consideration. Martin Hughes did likewise

Motion: To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 5 November 2008 with the above amendments.

Moved: Martin Hughes **Seconded** Jeremy Mears

Carried.

2. Correspondence

- (i) Letter from Sport and Rec stating they had received our application
- (ii) Copies of the onsite sewage management strategy and community newsletter from CMSC
- (iii) Email about all communities putting together a joint response to Council about the onsite sewage management strategy
- (iv) Letter from Council inviting us to put in a submission to the management plan

3. Business Arising

- (i) Tennis court quote was received and the submission has gone into Sport and Rec, and Council has been asked to contribute as well.
- (ii) Newsletter to be discussed in General Business
- (iii) Mayfair to be discussed in General Business

4 Treasurer's Report

Martin reported that the income from the Harvey Norman BBQ was \$1733.55, expenses of \$477.84 and a cheque for \$627.86 to be paid to the Michelago RFS

Motion: To pay the Michelago RFS \$627.86

Moved: Martin Hughes **Seconded:** Carmel Birch

Carried

Bronwyn brought up the fact that at the last bbq in June there was no contribution made to the fire brigade. The committee agreed that a sum of \$200.00 be paid the fire brigade

Motion: To pay the Michelago RFS the sum of \$200.00 as a contribution from the Harvey Norman BBQ in June

Moved: Tony Robinson **Seconded:** Carmel Birch

Carried

Motion The treasurer add the \$200.00 to the \$627.86 and pay the Fire brigade \$827.86 to cover both Harvey Norman BBQ.

Moved: Martin Hughes **Seconded:** Carmel Birch

Martin reported that there is now \$2443.85 in the bank (after cheques are cleared) \$185.56 in petty cash and \$5,970.77 in term deposit

Motion: To accept the treasurer's report

Moved: Carmel Birch **Seconded** Mareeca Steer

Carried

Motion to write off the debt from Noel Teyes

Moved: Martin Hughes **Seconded** Mareeca Steer

Carried

5 General Business

(i) Mayfair. Is now five months away – it will be on Mother's Day, 10 May. Trish will ask Fiona Tollis if she would like to help with setting the Mayfair up. We will use the same person for the games etc. Trish will run it again. Ideas for sponsorship would be welcome. CMSC should be approached – Trish will send Caroline Fox a letter to her asking her for sponsors and other sponsors will be sought. Steve Carter – music man is already booked - \$500.00. Mareeca will do publicity. The committee discussed the possibility of holding a bush dance after the Mayfair – but decided that it would not be a good idea as everyone would be too tired. It was agreed that a September "Fathers Day" bush dance would work better Saturday 5 September

(ii) Newsletter. Martin spoke to Cathy about the newsletter. She is going to try to get it out before Christmas. Australia Day (Mareeca will apply for funding for a bbq) Date of the AGM Sunday 15 February at 4.00pm. Wednesday 4 Feb next meeting – no meeting in January. Asking the community for any submissions for the management plan. Advertise the Mayfair. Put a congratulations into the newsletter for the fieries bbq.

(iii) Meeting with Peter Smith – was relatively effective. Mareeca asks that someone take on the meeting with Council with other groups as well. Tony will represent the MRCA for that meeting and keep the MRCA informed.

(iv) Heritage brochure – Michael Lees not here

(v) Management Plan. Any ideas for the management plan to go to Mareeca as soon as possible.

(vi) Pony Club – there is still no decision being made by council on the DA for the Pony Club. They have been advised by staff that the pony club will have to make the upgrade to the highway for the DA to be approved. The decision was deferred. They are having a gymkhana in February and are asking the MRCA for a donation, but while the committee think it's a worthwhile cause, this would open up a lot of other groups to ask for donations.

(vii) Tony Robinson raised the issue of the village plan. There were some ideas put together, but has anything happened with it? This was sent to Council. Should there be a community meeting to ask the community what it wants for the village? Tony will get in touch with students from a university to see if there are any students who could look at development of the village. Put a survey into the newsletter asking people if they have any views on the development of the village. This needs to be in the first newsletter of the new year and also on the website.

(vii) Fire Brigade – Brent spoke about the community bbq and the fact that after the bbq had finished a number of vandals got onto the oval and did some damage – these people were caught and have been charged.

(viii) Michelago RFS Community BBQ – the committee would like to congratulate the RFS on their great running of the day – it was a great success – it was just a shame that the weather was so bad.

Thanks to James and Brent for attending the meeting on behalf of the fire brigade.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

Next meeting Wednesday 3 February at 7.00pm