

SHOREHAM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Thirty-sixth Committee of Management Meeting
Monday 15th December 2014, 7.30pm, Old School Hall, Shoreham

MINUTES

1. Chair's Introduction (Peter Renkin President):

- Welcome
- Present: Peter Renkin (President), Rob Patrick (Vice-President), Kathryn Shain (Secretary), Barb Kelly (Treasurer), Lee Collins, Sue Boggan, Bob Nottle, Peter Kelly
- Apologies: Robyn Oswald Jacobs, Verity Ducos Saunders
- Acknowledgement of the Boonwurrung/Bunnurong First

People who had prior occupation of Shoreham and the Peninsula; and with their descendants, we are partners in working for reconciliation. Peter reported there were a number of Torres Strait Islander people living on the Mornington Peninsula.

- Committee activities and memorable events since the November meeting:
 - **CFA:** Peter K reported that preparations are under way for the opening of the new CFA hall on Saturday 20th December.
 - **Walk:** Barb reported on a lovely walk from Shoreham to Flinders and back along the beach.
 - **'Cuppa in the Hall':** Peter R and Lee reported the event on 5th December went well and there was a good turnout. Peter K attended as Peter Banjo Kelly and entertained those present.
 - **Task Force:** Peter R reported this has resumed.
 - **Foreshore Committee:** Peter R and Sue reported the community meeting on 24th November was a positive one with good discussion; the Foreshore Committee Newsletter following the meeting was a useful and good one. Copies have been placed at the Post Office and on the website

2. Confirmation of previous minutes:

Minutes of the thirty-fifth Committee of Management meeting held on 17th November 2014

Motion: that the Minutes be approved

Moved: Rob; Seconded: Sue. Carried: unanimously.

3. New and/or priority items:

3.1 Guest Speaker for next AGM: Names were put forward as possible speakers -

- Malcolm Legg - environmentalist/ecologist and former Shoreham ranger for the Foreshore Committee for a number of years .
- Carl Cowie the new CEO of MPS
- Tim Wood, local Councillor and member of SCA
- John Clark – national media and film person, poet, and comedian; also a Phillip Island resident and active environmentalist (member of Westernport Seagrass).
- Tom McCulloch - inspirational person who pioneered the William Buckley Shelter at Safety Beach and set up the Melbourne Cricket Club Museum amongst other things.
- Keith Lodge, Russell Barrett, Sally Draper and. Adrian Bonomi, all Shoreham resident architects who could speak as a panel about Shoreham’s architecture and character (past present and future)

Lee suggested CV's be circulated for consideration on as many of the above as possible prior to the February meeting. Peter K offered to do a CV on Malcolm Legg and Tom McCulloch.

3.2 Devising SCA's 'Media Schedule' for 2014/15: the matter was deferred in Robyn's absence.

3.3 Submission to MPS Shire Budget 2015/2016: Peter R reported that MPS has invited groups to make written submission by 10th February and/or verbal submission to the Shire’s Budget for 2015/16 and as part of the Shire’s strategic plan – items to include are: priorities, service enhancements, infrastructure upgrades and longer term planning. MPS Committee meets to hear verbal submissions on 11th February 2015 at Rosebud Office at 4pm.

Discussion ensued. It was agreed SCA should submit a submission; the basis of any submission to be SCA's 'Targets, Goals and Priorities'. Peter R, Peter K, Rob and Bob agreed to work together on SCA's submission. Items for inclusion in the submission are:

- Refurbishment of the Shoreham School Hall
- Funding for scoping study for the trail between Pt Leo and Shoreham (see para 3.3.1 below)
- Shoreham Common, prior to and including the Master Plan being implemented (see para 3.3.2 below)
- Drainage (see para 3.3.3 below)
- Road verges (see para 3.3.4 below)
- The Triangle - this needs further attention re the educational component
- Shoreham foreshore (see para 3.3.5 below)

3.3.1 Peter R had circulated to Rob/Lee a plan prepared by the Balnarring Beach Foreshore Committee that was used in a submission for funding for a scoping study on boardwalk trails. Rob suggested SCA has a few hurdles to work through eg public reaction to the trail/information process; do communities want to be linked in this way? Does SCA have a mandate? Also sensitivity to cultural issues - the trail is planned to go around cultural sites. It was agreed funding for a scoping study is to be included in the Budget submission.

3.3.2 Lee reported that MPS staff seem to think money is available prior to implementation of the Master Plan. It was agreed to put items in the budget submission that can be implemented prior to the Master Plan eg BBQ/shelter/landscaping, to reinforce SCA's position.

3.3.3 Drainage is an issue for the whole Shire. It was suggested residents may have to pay for this rather than just the Shire. Drainage is not just a problem for our community; the Red Hill Ward Consultative Group has drainage on their agenda. It was agreed drainage should be taken up both at a political level and also in SCA's budget submission to MPS.

3.3.4 SCA has been given a brief to deal with verges by way of working bees and MPS will pick up rubbish when notified. Sue is willing to organise working bees. However verges need to be on the MPS maintenance schedule and it was agreed this should be included in the budget submission.

3.3.5 MPS resources were required to assist with enforcement of regulations re fires, dogs, camping, rubbish. Peter K reported on the CFA attending a fire on the Beach lit by campers; the police had been rung who passed the matter to the CFA to deal with. There were campers on the beach most nights. Fishermen from elsewhere leave rubbish on the beach. The Foreshore Committee does not have the resources to deal with these issues alone. A joint item in the budget submission could be made by SCA and the Foreshore Committee. It was agreed Peter R will talk to Doug Owens.

3.4 Lee raised the issue of protocol to cover the situation where an item is raised at a Committee Meeting for discussion/decision without prior notice, especially one that has ramifications for other community members eg the issue of the public seat at the corner of Nelson St/Myers Drive. After discussion it was agreed the preferred protocol is:

- a memo to be circulated prior to the meeting setting out the specifics of the issue;
- the item is to be tabled for discussion/not necessarily for a decision;

- the Committee be given time to deliberate and/or investigate further for possible decision at the following meeting.

It was agreed it is difficult to cover all eventualities; there will be exceptions to this protocol (eg the raising of this issue tonight), but this was the ideal process to be followed whenever possible. If it was an urgent matter, then it should be dealt with at the meeting where it was first raised.

4. Business arising from previous minutes:

4.1 The 'grassing' of The Common: Peter R reported on a meeting with MPS staff (Fiona Colquhoun, Elliott Reid, Sean (student)) on Friday 12th November. Lee, Rob, Peter K, Peter R, Helen Alcock and Sue attended. The issue of the public seat at the corner of Nelson St/Myers Drive was mentioned. Fiona agreed to gauge the opinion of the neighbours re the location and to ask Shoreham House to contribute to the cost.

Elliott produced photographs of The Common in 2005 that showed the dirt road across the middle was not formed at that time. Elliott is to write a submission for 2014/2015 funding for grassing and ways of stopping through traffic. Lee was nervous about possible objections to the grassing and blocking of traffic - she felt when the grassing occurs Council should put up a sign saying The Common is being restored to its 2005 condition. SCA to wait for Elliott's written proposal.

Fiona said \$40,000 may be allocated for The Common in the interim and the Master Plan would be put in next year's budget; it would include use of landscape architects. Consultation with stakeholders would be undertaken and MPS was interested in community ideas.

The installation of a ramp at the back of the Old School Hall was raised in that a track of sorts is needed to get to the ramp. The entrance at the front of the building is too narrow for wheelchairs.

Peter R is to write up notes from the meeting.

4.2 Listening to the Youth of Shoreham: There was no report from Linda who was absent.

Peter K reported on a billiard table being bequeathed to the CFA; it requires transporting from Pt Leo. The CFA wishes it to be used to show Shoreham youth the CFA had them in mind; also as a way of showing the relevance of the CFA to younger community members.

Peter K is keen to get youth involved in environmental education and reiterated that Malcolm Legg was inspirational.

5. Correspondence:

5.1.1 In: from Shoreham CFA inviting Committee members to the Opening and BBQ on 20th December.

5.1.2 From Rebecca Honner requesting information about fire plans in particular about Community Fire Refuges or Neighbourhood Safer Places.

5.2 Out:

5.2.1 To Nicola Belcher, Elliott Reid, Fiona Colquhoun and Lisa Marris requesting the Committee reps meet with them to arrange the 'Grassing' stage, source of extra funds, any role for volunteer workers;

5.2.2 To Cr Tim Wood re need for MPS to provide staff support of the Foreshore Committee in administering the Dog Regulations and requesting officers be made available during the holiday period to monitor Main Beach behaviour;

5.2.3 In The Age on 8th Dec. a Tribute of Leo Maher;

5.2.4 To Nicola and Elliott thanking the MPS for completing the pathway to the toilets and installing the handrail at front steps of Hall; requesting finding a suitable ramp at the front steps;

5.2.5 To Nicola and Elliott outlining allocation for the public seat in Myers Drive above Nelson Street;

5.2.6 To Peter Gore/Janet Dewhurst of MPS (copy to Cr Tim Wood) requesting the SCA's annual fee for use of the Hall be given a special treatment as a 'block fee' and determined within a Tenancy Agreement;

5.2.7 Response to Rebecca Honner re fire plans for Shoreham and surrounds including the lack of refuges or safe places.

6. Priority Projects updates:

6.1 **Shared Paths/Trails:** Lee reported it appears unlikely that funding will be given for a scoping study at this stage.

6.2 **Drainage:** Peter K reported drainage along the driveway and front road into the new CFA building had been well thought through. The water was filtering down through the block with potential for the development of a wetlands area.

6.3 **Hall refurbishment/maintenance:** Peter R reported Russell Jacgung (MPS) had recently taken a look at the building with an engineer. The process was 'dribbling' along. Major works were required and quotes needed.

6.4 **Development of the Common:** See para 4.1 above.

6.5 **Shoreham Triangle:** Peter K reported the Triangle was starting to look good. There is criticism of it looking untidy, but this is in comparison with the CFA new plantings - they were very different. Stage 1 has been implemented; the educative role has not implemented but this is to be added to the MPS budget submission.

6.6 **Road Verges:** See para 3.3.4 above.

7. Standing Committee Reports

7.1 Taskforce: Peter R reported the Taskforce members were John Lorkin, Sue Boggan, Rob Patrick and himself. The Post Office is to close on the 16th December while asbestos is removed from a wall of the rear building. The remaining demolition of the building is scheduled to take place after the New Year. A building permit has not been completed - there are issues re: parking and other formalities. This may be ready by the end of January. John Price, developer, is expected to be in Shoreham next week. The Taskforce has conveyed that it wishes to meet with him.

Peter K reported the yard at the rear of the building to be demolished is a fire risk. Peter R has reported this to Damien Taylor, CFA/Municipal Fire Officer

7.2 Membership: Barb reported membership at 188. There were two membership payments and six renewals.

7.3 Finance and Budget: Barb tabled her financial report (see Appendix A) showing a balance at 15th December of \$5,643.82 in the Statement Account. SCA has received its first interest payment on the Term Deposit Account which at 15th December has a balance of \$10,078.53.

Motion: that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: Barb; Seconded: Rob; Carried unanimously.

7.4 Strategic Planning: Rob reported on Tim Wood's attendance at the Red Hill Ward Consultative Group (RHWCG) meeting. He presented two papers - one on traffic and safety, the other an Activities Report on his first 112 days in office. He has prioritised action to be taken at the junctions of the Frankston/Flinders Road at Higgins Lane, Beach Road and Byrnes Road. Nelson St should be added and Cr Wood made a note of this request. His Activities Report highlighted the unsustainable nature of his work load which was almost the equivalent of a full-time job. He proposed holding a meeting every few months at Rosebud; the RHWCG could attend for an allotted time along with other community groups, instead of the present situation of him attending numerous groups in different places. A Shire support person based at Rosebud would be present to take notes on his behalf.

Tim Wood saw a real issue in MPS not dealing with planning permits within 60 days; he would be raising this. He had moved the Council motion opposing a Permit for the Gandel property development; but anticipated further ways could be made to avoid Green Wedge conditions upsetting a later approval.

Rob reported the Coastal Village Study will be finalised by January/February 2015.

Carl Cowlie had been appointed CEO of MPS - this was an important appointment.

7.5 Building Community: Bob thought it important for people to know the dates for community dinners for 2015 in advance. Lee agreed to work with Linda on finalising dates for 3 dinners - possibly March, June and September 2015. She will give the dates to Kathryn to put on the community web site and into the next newsletter.

7.6 Media and Communication: There was nothing to report.

7.7 Red Hill Ward Consultative Group: See para 7.4 above.

7.8 SCA website: Kathryn reported that with Linda's assistance the last e-news for the year was recently emailed to paid up members. She would print off some copies for Barb to post out. She would place a copy of the e-news on the SCA noticeboard at the Post Office.

8. General Business:

8.1 Appying for grants: this was deferred to the next meeting in February 2015.

8.2 Committee Dates for 2015 – Peter R tabled a paper listing dates of the Committee's meetings for 2015 on 3rd Monday in each month between February & December at 7.30pm; with the AGM on Sunday 19th July at 11.00am

9. Coming events/activities:

Shoreham CFA - opening of new building and Christmas BBQ, Saturday 20th December commencing at 5.30 pm.

10. Next Committee Meeting. This will be held on Monday 16th February 2015, 7.30 pm in the Old School Hall.

Appendix A

SHOREHAM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 15th DECEMBER 2014

STATEMENT ACCOUNT

Opening balance (from 17/11/2014)

\$5,483.82

INCOME:	Memberships x 8	160.00	\$5,643.82
OUTGOING:	NIL		

TERM DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Opening balance (from 17/11/2014)
\$10,000.00

Interest to 10/12/2014) 78.53
\$10,078.53

Balance as at 15th December, 2014: \$ 5,643.82 - Statement Account

Balance as at 15th December, 2014: \$10,078.53 - Term Deposit Account

Memberships total 188 as at 15/12/2014 - 6 renewals and 2 new (Alan Fisher, 4 Pier St & Louise Coronel, 19 Hillcrest Rd)