



Committee Meeting Minutes
for Monday 10 September, 2012

Subject to Confirmation

Meeting Opened: 9:00am

Present: Don Hodgetts, Callum Baxter, Ailcie McKenney, Lyn Brady, Jo Walker, Jim Burkett, Gwen Anning, Ron Anning, Margaret Phair. Councillors Kelli Gillies and Roger Seeney

Apologies: Mavis Jones, Hayden Jones, Janine Phillips

1. **Minutes** from previous meeting: Addendum noted by Jim – Section 7 Ailcie; collectors of subs need to be informed of those already paid for 2013.

Moved Jim **2nd** Lyn – **Carried**

2. **Business Arising**

2.1 **20km/hr Signs** – Installed. Many thanks to Roger for liaising with the Shire on the matter.

2.2 **Dune Signs** – Dunes are unstable from boat launching area to the inlet. The Association will write to Shire and request signs making public aware of this.

2.3 **Ring road path** - should be marked as 'dual use' for cyclists and pedestrians. Shire have acknowledged and Roger advised that marking will be completed in the coming months. The Association has offered assistance to Shire to do the marking.

2.4 **Entrance Statement** – The public information bay on Peaceful Bay road has collapsed and been removed. A new information bay/entrance statement is required and the Association will contact Shire to discuss renewal options.

2.5 **Additional Bins at beach car park** – The Association has requested from the Shire additional bins at the beach area to cope with peak period use (Summer/Easter). Four bins have been requested and are planned to be in place by December. We will also request from Shire a key for the Association to empty bins as required (between Shire rubbish truck runs).

2.6 **Removable Bollards 4th/5th Ave** – In the event of serious bush fire, temporary Emergency Vehicle access from 5th Ave to 4th Ave is available via the drain crossing at East Avenue. Removable bollards are to be installed at the crossing to close general vehicle access at all other times. The Association to contact Shire to follow up on the installation of the bollards.

2.7 **60/90km/hr Signs** – the speed signs on Peaceful Bay road have been removed (?vandalism) and these will be re-installed in the coming days.

3. **Correspondence:**

In: Shire of Denmark Minutes of Council Meeting 14th August 2012 and 16th August 2012

28 Aug – Letter from Shire of Denmark RE Legal Advice Concerning Leaseholders Obligations.

2 Sept – email from Q&M White (Lot 61) referring to the letter from Shire. Expressed concern with resolutions (esp. Res 3) and Council's assumptions. Requested information on how the Association would reply to the Shire and offered contribution to any legal fund to seek further advice.

28 Aug – email from C Batten (Lot 18). David and Christine have advised that they plan their wedding at Peaceful Bay for 6 April 2013. A beachside location for the ceremony, and reception at nearby facility. Further planning details to follow during October.

22 Aug – email from D Jones (Lot 18). David requested the Progress website be included in the minutes (www.peacefulbayprogress.org.au)

Aug – letter from Australian Marine Debris Initiative. Request volunteers to participate in Western Australian Beach Clean Up on weekend of Oct 13th and 14th. Letter to be posted on notice board on Hall.

Out: 21 Aug – email to Gregg Harwood at SoD RE wording for dune signage.

Moved Jo **2nd** Gwen – **Accepted/Endorsed.**

4. **Finance Report:** Report presented and queries raised from 2012/2013 maintenance budget and purchase of spraying equipment (quad bike + trailer). Kelli confirmed with Steve Brand (Shire of Denmark) that monies had been allocated to the maintenance budget as previously advised. Purchase of spray equipment to be discussed with Shire as separate matter.

Moved: Ailcie 2nd Margaret – Carried.

5. **Maintenance Report:** Ailcie. The settlement continues to be maintained to a high standard – thank you Jeremy. Build up of excess soil at loppings dump requires attention.

6. **General Business**

6.1 - **Michael & Dee Thorpe** – Congratulations to Michael and Dee Thorpe for being awarded the Pride of Australia Outstanding Bravery Award at a ceremony in Perth recently. Michael and Dee assisted the brother of a trapped 16-year-old girl and helped them save her life just before the car wreck caught fire.

6.2 – **Correspondence from Shire RE Leaseholder Obligations** - Several members of the Progress Association spoke (at the meeting) regarding recent correspondence from the Shire. All were not comfortable with the content of the letter and the Shire resolutions presented therein. Telephone and email correspondence to the Association conveying same was read to the meeting. In summary there was a focussed negative response to the content of the Shire correspondence and the Association is obliged to act on behalf of the Leaseholders.

Motion – ‘Write to the Shire and extend the date for submissions to 30th Nov 2012’. Moved – Jim, Seconded - Jo. Passed unanimously.

Motion – ‘The Association secure an independent legal opinion on the matter and that the cost is paid out of general funds’ Moved Jim, Seconded – Jo. Passed unanimously.

The Association will also write to all leaseholders this week updating them on the matter.

7. **Round Table:**

Gwen – Ron and Gwen will be moving out of the Bay in the coming months to re-settle in Albany and as a result their participation in the Association will be reduced. The committee expresses its thanks to Ron and Gwen for their many years of service to the wider community. (Recognised with an Order of Australia for Ron). Ron and Gwen’s tireless contribution to the community, including much in the Bay, will be sorely missed.

Ron – reminded the meeting and leaseholders that all proposals from the Peaceful Bay community are passed to the Committee and Shire for review. Much effort is put into these matters and that it may seem like nothing happens in the Bay but many people put a significant amount of work (much volunteer) to progress these items.

Roger – informed the meeting of a chemical treatment for dust suppression of gravel roads. Roger will discuss with Shire and get their comments.

Kelli – encouraged all community members to engage in discussions regarding the proposal for an indoor pool in Denmark.

Meeting closed: 11:35am

Next Meeting: Monday 8th October 2012