

Majors Creek Progress Association Inc
C/O Post Office Majors Creek 2622
General Meeting 22nd March 2016
Minutes

Meeting opened at: 7:15pm

Attendance: Chris James, Brian Sanderson, Karis Mullen, Sandra McCarron, Sarah Waters, Kate Spring.

Apologies: Rebecca Bigg, Gordon Waters, Lynda Vezgoff, Glenn, Annie Clarke, John Spring.

Presentation & Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion: That the minutes be accepted as true and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: Sandra McCarron.

Seconded: Kate Spring

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Report tabled by Chris James.

Secretary's Report:

Correspondence In:

1. Letter dated 16th March 2016 from Brian McDonald advising that the mailing list for the Community Newsletter will cease, as people are accessing it on the MC website.
2. Letter dated 16th March 2016 from the MC Reserve Trust requesting a contribution to the new shed/mower.
3. Email dated 27th February 2016 from Donna Blowes tending her resignation as Treasurer, effective immediately.

Business Arising:

1. \$50 Hall hire charge for has been paid.
2. Chris James approached Council over Rudi Stachow's suggestion of building a footpath along Araluen Street. Council mocked the suggestion as the cost would be enormous.
3. Regarding the installation of two park benches in the village:
 - Brian and Chris James installed the park benches.
 - The application of decomposed granite around the base of the benches was discussed.
 - Discussion of landscaping to be revisited .

Motion: To purchase a trailer load of decomposed granite.

Moved: Chris James

Seconded: Karis Mullen

Carried.

Motion: To write a letter of thanks to Brian James

Moved: Sarah Waters

Seconded: Karis Mullen

Carried.

4. Chris James has submitted the application to the Green Army for work on the Common as a joint project with the RFS, and has talked to Richard Elliott (at RFS).
5. Carry forward Brian McDonald's suggestion that we host an historical night to improve resident's local knowledge. Sarah Waters suggested that we do it in the form of a trivia night and incorporate local history trivia questions, and include two or three intervals featuring recitals of short historical anecdotes.

General Business:

1. Karis Mullen suggested that while the piano at Araluen sounds great, the piano at MC sounds appalling. Karis suggested getting an assessment on the MC piano. It was suggested that the guy at Jembaicumbene could conduct an assessment.
2. Concern was raised over subsidence in Majors Creek Road at Jembaicumbene adjacent to the house with the stone entrance. Perhaps we could write to Council over the concern.
3. Concern was raised over the trees overhanging the road at the bridge, making the Give Way sign hard to see. It was suggested if the sign were positioned further back, vision would be improved.
4. Kate Spring advised that the information on the RFS website was outdated. Chris James (as an RFS executive) would investigate.
5. Chris James raised the issue of our lack of a Constitution which will need to be amended at the AGM. Chris printed the 'model constitution' from the Dept. Fair Trading website. Chris and Sarah Waters will review the model and come up with a draft in readiness for the AGM.
6. Proposal from Sarah Waters: in response to the MC Reserve Trust's request for a contribution towards their shed/mower project, I propose that the MCPA offers to give the Reserve Trust \$5700 towards the cost of the mower, with the express condition that the Trust allows the MCPA exclusive use of the 'old shed' for the purpose of storing MCPA assets.

My argument for the proposal is that we desperately need storage since our assets are inconveniently spread out between member's properties. Recently, MCPA carried a motion to spend \$4000 on building storage in the bar area of the Recreation Reserve which, due to complications, never eventuated, and the \$4000 was never spent. Additionally, the Reserve Trust recently returned \$1000 to the MCPA, which was originally a contribution towards maintenance on the Reserve driveway, that was not spent.

This contribution would be a goodwill gesture to the Reserve Trust, as well as a much needed storage solution for MCPA.

Motion: to give the MC Reserve Trust \$5700 towards a new mower, with the condition that the MC Reserve Trust gives MCPA exclusive use of the old shed, including keys.

Moved: Sandy McCarron

Seconded: Brian Sanderson

Carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 31st 2016 7:00pm.

Meeting Closed: 8:45 pm

Secretary:

Sarah Waters

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