



Scotland Island Residents' Association

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Date: October 16, 2011
Venue: Community Hall
Present: Bill Gye, Cass Gye, Carol Floyd, Judy Readman, Graeme Crayford, Sharon Kinnison, Sue Dickson
Apologies: Victoria Jay, Ian Souter, Maria MT, Jaya Param, Alan Gaines
Opening: Meeting opened at 10:15 am
Formalities: September Minutes accepted

1. Welcome and Apologies:

2. Previous Minutes: Actions Outstanding and Updates

2.1. Vehicle Registration: SIRA is opposed to any unregistered vehicles on the Island and the risk to residents. All vehicles should be registered to cover for third party liability.

Action: CG draft notice for PON **HELD OVER**

2.2. Water & Wastewater: Water testing; meeting with Council, Sydney Water and Rob Stokes.

Action: **HELD OVER**

2.3. Special Rate Committee: GC submitted EOI for SIRA; **no confirmation yet**

3. Treasurer's Report: CG tabled reports. GF, CV, EW, Hall, TUG cost centres reconciled with bank statements. Thanks to Deryn for her assistance. SIRA Memberships paid currently 255 households, more to process; 75% households – average for community organizations 20%. Meeting accepted reports. Scotland Island has 377 blocks and approx. 356 houses; 10% weekend/holiday population; last census showed 2.4 people per household (therefore, 612 members); figures from current census not due until 2012. **Action:** CF to provide this information on website; CG to provide more data

4. Significant Correspondence:

4.1. Out

PWC:Paul Davies re: Roads & Drainage works

4.2. In:

Rob Stokes re: CBP Grant

IS email re: Berowra Carpark

JC and SK emails re: CP and Survey

CH comments re: CP Commuter Wharf

PWC re: Bennett's Boatshed demolition

PWC re: McCarr's Creek Road Parking Restrictions

Copy JC letter to PWC re: CP

5. Current Issues:

5.1. Strategic Planning Day: Tentative – November 19th 10 am to 2 pm. Using existing draft Strategic Plan as a starting point. Invite Vision Project Team; Shar Jones; Guyren Smith to participate. Approach LR, AP or RI as a possible facilitator. Plan to be presented at AGM.

Action: BG and JR to work on draft process

5.2. AGM: Sunday, December 11, 2011 TBC. Mark Eriksson will attend. Lucky door prize to be drawn at end of meeting – one annual CP Parking Permit. Meeting agreed. A sausage sizzle to be held after meeting. **Action:** SD to plan sizzle with assistance from Committee

5.3. Watermarks: Lost money due to weather; Pluvius insurance covered Sunday \$6,000.00; claim to be lodged. SIRA will waive hall costs (which were to come out of profits); insurance costs to remain as a loan for one year, to be repaid out of fundraising. Meeting agreed.

Action: AP to produce final accounts; CG to lodge insurance claim

5.4. Church Point Decked Carpark Survey:

- JC addressed meeting; 1) language of survey should be more accurate; 2) Costs are indicative only and will need to be confirmed at completion and should not be presented as definite. CPRRA felt project was underfunded. 3) Less infill means less cost so plan should be reconsidered; 4) Small boats and small cars should be in plan.
- SK addressed meeting and tabled a document with items for general discussion; 1) we are not locked into a plan and we should continue discussing the issues at each step of the way; 2) reconsider costs – costs on community are too high and there are environmental and social impact concerns.

GC proposed that Committee only consider the wording of the survey which should be designed to respond to PWC's proposal for a decked carpark. The survey is not about any wider issues. Generally agreed. Michael Wiener, WPCA, will participate in the survey meeting. A strong effort will be made to agree on joint document, but if not possible, SIRA will go ahead with survey. Meeting generally agreed. **Action:** BG to arrange meeting time

5.5. Church Point Plan of Management: BG advised eight aspects of the CP POM with two optional components:

1. Upgrade lighting, signs, disabled spaces and surface in carpark;
2. Upgrade Commuter Wharf;
3. Infill foreshore and move road to create additional parking and public walkway;
4. Decked Carpark opposite Commuter Wharf (**optional**);
5. Expand deck around Waterfront Store to create public walkway;
6. Relocate Ferry Wharf to western side of Waterfront Store;
7. Infill with new wall along foreshore of carpark to create expanded green space (**optional: funded by sale of 2 blocks of land adjacent to Cemetery**);
8. Remove 20 spaces at southern end of carpark for additional green space;

BG suggested separate meeting about the CP POM; too many issues to cover at SIRA meeting. **Action:** BG to ask ME on locking in costs; provide revenue statement to date

5.6. Church Point Parking Signs: BG attended Council meeting September 19 and put a compromise proposal forward: "That parking from Holmeport to the bus turning circle be amended to: 4 P 6am to 12 midnight CCHP Exempt and No Parking from 12 midnight to 6am CCHP Exempt". The matter has been referred back to traffic committee for their next meeting November 15. **Action:** BG to attend meeting and advocate this position

5.7. Bennett's Boatshed: Grant obtained by Silversmiths to restore boatshed for \$40,000 with support of Rob Stokes; report to Council October 4 recommended demolition and has gone on public exhibition for 28 days for submissions. Generally agreed to support restoration.

Action: CG to review WPCA draft letter of support

5.8. Tennis Court Pontoon:

JR reported SIRA has signed Licence Agreement; GF, CH, PK and MK supervised installation of piles and relocated pontoon into position; CG organised invoices, paperwork and accounts; \$1,360 shortfall in contributions, SIRA to contribute and support with agreed loan pending repayment plan. JR sourced TUG identification stickers. Ramp to be refurbished; TUG meeting to be held shortly **Action:** JR to finalise stickers; CH to distribute and gather outstanding payments/paperwork; PK plus team to work on ramp; CG to finalise accounts

5.9. Roads and Drainage:

CG reported that letter with SIRA recommendations for immediate drainage works sent and survey of roads in Sector 1 has started. Site visit planned with Council to review works.

5.10. Island Café:

CG tabled report: Cost to upgrade facilities in Hall plus purchase trolley \$3,500 - \$4,000. CG proposed that SIRA advertise for expressions of interest. Machine needs servicing after over a year \$180; sell on Ebay for \$1,500 or to original seller for \$1,000. Discussed other suggested options **Action:** CG to draft notice for PON to include EOI

5.11. Community Building Partnership Grant: BG suggested we revisit steps through top of Elsie Street. SD proposed middle Elsie for safety. Meeting agreed; GC agreed to consider management of project if grant approved. **Action:** BG to put in grant application.

PROJECT UPDATES:

5.12. Website: No report. **HELD OVER:** CF to send cropped jpg to Committee members

5.13. Community Hall: No report: CF has reported loose cold water tap again to Council. CG proposed obtaining quote for perspex to protect wall hanging as it is being damaged. **Action:** CG to organise measurements and quote

OTHER BUSINESS:

Water Police: CG received call from Paula Davis, Sydney Water Police, regarding boat thefts and putting information in the PON and visiting the Island. Suggested they consider links on website. **Action:** CG to followup; CF to receive email communication

Next meeting: Tuesday, November, 29, 2011, 8 pm Venue: TBC