



Scotland Island Residents' Association

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Date: December 16, 2012
Venue: JR residence
Present: Judy Readman, Bill Gye, Cass Gye, Carol Floyd, Jon Maxim, Sue Dickson, Alan Gaines, June Lahm, Tim Turpin, , Graeme Crayford
Apologies: Colin Haskell, Ian Souter, Debbie Cordukes, Ruth Gaines
Opening: Meeting opened at 10:10 am

Welcome and Apologies

JR introduced plan for meeting

1. OPERATIONS

A. **Previous Minutes** – October accepted

B. **Outstanding Action Points:**

1. St George proof of ID. **Action: JR HELD OVER**
2. **Catherine Park Steps:** There was a request for SC to follow up PWC (drainage). SC has put in a plan and CG has chased up response from SL. Possibility for a working group for parks. **ACTION: BB agreed to follow up.**
3. **Waste Contract Tender:** Letter sent PWC and CG followed up with PWC: new tender will happen within the next six months. Request made for SIRAC to be involved in requests for tender. Meeting will be arranged and CG would like to be involved. **ACTION: CG will follow up and attend meeting.**
4. **Emergency Water Supply:** CG reported PD from PWC advised Sydney Water considering reducing water pressure; impact on Island water supply. CG has followed up but **Action: CG to continue follow-up**
5. **Unregistered Vehicles:** Water Police have inspected a few unregistered vehicles, gators cannot get conditional registration but police say that it is not their problem: people cannot drive unregistered visions.
6. **Catherine Park Table Tennis:** RI forwarded information on concrete carbon neutral design table. **Action heldover: TT to follow up with RI.**
7. Forum notes: **Action: CF to put on website.**
8. **New POD:** JM suggested discount for early ads before a deadline date.

C. SIRAC POLICIES

1. Meeting minutes: Meeting decided that actions should go in but all reports should be referred to in the minutes and published on the website every month. **ACTION: all working group chairpeople should submit reports before the meeting: meeting approves them for publication.**
2. **Meeting procedures: WHAT HERE**

3. Confidentiality Agreements – all done.

4. **Visitors policy:** BB suggested changes to soften the tone. **Action:** BB will send out suggested changes.
5. **Funding:** policy approved.
6. **Financial report: CG:** BAS lodged 1st quarter, NSW FT Annual Statement lodged; TUG 2012 levies received, TUG contribution \$1,300 toward pontoons removal; \$688 GF account due to pontoon removal costs \$8,733; \$56,174 in bank account; BS Total Equity \$43,532; Term deposit \$78,246; CV Provision \$12,500. Water Police and Council Rangers have visited the Island; stickered some vehicles for removal; targeting terrain vehicles and golf buggies unable to be registered as conditional registration not available on Island; not within the scope of RMS guidelines; issue to be addressed as part of R&D Traffic Management Plan; representation to RMS to change ruling next step with support from Rob Stokes and Council.
7. **Schedule of meetings.** JR will send updated list. Next meeting is Jan 27 2013. **ACTION:** CF to put schedule on website.

2. SIRAC SERVICES

1. Community Hall: CF has requested update on kitchen from Pat Rudgley at PWC: no news yet. New lease also outstanding. **ACTION:** CF to chase up both items.
2. **Emergency Water System:** CG reported that scheduled maintenance done.
3. **Community Vehicle:** report sent out. CG proposed that GC to be given honorarium for performing role of coordinator; motion seconded by JM. Proposals from drivers' meeting November 15:
 - Extend starting hours to 8 am, with handover to remain at 9am, and all bookings between 8 and 9 am to be requested the previous day. Another extension to hours from 9 to 10 pm, by advanced booking only and arrangement, and at a cost of \$20. AG moved to accept proposals; seconded by JR, proposal accepted.
 - Drivers continue to receive \$12 but reduction to public to \$12 and \$7 concession. (i.e. no money collected for petrol). Proposed by JR, seconded by SD, JM abstained as driver. **ACTION:** CG to put up notice in PON and give new documents for the website.

CG reported on ideas for using grant funding: to have a shuttle bus to Mona Vale; still being investigated but may not conform to grant conditions; extended ferry service. Issue of hiring and firing of drivers. **ACTION** Future roles & responsibility changes to be discussed at Committee meeting.

3. PLANS OF MANAGEMENT

1. **Church Point:** BG and IS attended a planning meeting; BB attended as representative of Church Point Friends, a group of on-and off-shore residents who are grappling with CP issue and pushing ways to soften the environmental impact of the CPPOM. BB does not advocate any design but wants to make clear that the CPPOM is a plan of infrastructure development rather than management. Question of perception of conflict of issue raised; **ACTION:** BB will decide whether to be a VP of SIRAC or a representative of the other committee. BG said that input on actual designs, as mentioned in the CPPOM, was meant to be on detail rather than on major design factors. In meeting, 5 different plans were on the table. BG presented these plans; differences between plans = 3.5 metres. See Church

Point report. Results of Geotech report will be available late January; at that stage PWC will report to community. Funding issue also raised at meeting; proposed fees were \$575 unless 2-storey deck constructed. Three responses: Chris Hunt: some money already received from the RTA. MW argued that we hold back for a few years to save the money, but BG said that costs also go up over time. Issue of why islanders are paying for this at all raised: BG answered that if we don't agree to pay, it won't happen. **ACTION: working group to be convened mid-January to discuss these issues.**

2. R&D, Stormwater Masterplans Implementation: CG and AG met with Paul Davies on 13 December to discuss the draft Capital Improvement Program for 2013-2014. Funding is \$100,000 per year (indexed). Last year 6 or 7 drainage pits put in. Next year (starting July 2013) the following works will be undertaken.

- Major Drainage Design for Sector 1 (Richard Road between Cargo and Bells Wharves);
- Begin development of a Traffic Management Plan (see below);
- Survey of project locations;
- Drainage Projects:
 - Reconstruct drainage pits on Robertson Road, chainage 1030 and 1170
 - Reconstruct drainage pits on Pitt Street
 - Reconstruct water bars on Thompson Street above Kevin Avenue

In addition, the Roads Maintenance Program will give highest priority to installation of a (modular) concrete dish drain along Thompson Street chainage 950-1000 (below Hilda Avenue). Davies recommended that the first step in developing a Traffic Management Plan (including number of vehicles, weight allowed, speed limits, registration) would be for SIRA(C) to develop a list of the issues that we consider to be important. We can then meet with appropriate Council officials to discuss potential solutions and next steps.

Action: AG to convene the R&D Project Team to develop such a list to be discussed at the January SIRAC meeting.

BG raised issue of fire trail. Agreed to follow this up in Traffic Management Plan.

GC moved vote of thanks for AG for the work he has done on the RMP. CF seconded. AG acknowledged other members of team, CG, BB and others.

4. OTHER BUSINESS & NEW PROJECTS

5. WORKING GROUPS

- 1. Project teams:** JR read out names of project teams and emphasised that these working groups are open to the community. Each team leader responsible to finding members.
 - a. Island Vision:** JM to lead, BB and RG to join.
 - b. Water and Wastewater:** JR to lead; AG to be liaison person between R&D committee.
 - c. Parks and reserves:** SD will lead, TT to be on committee.
 - d. Communications:** JM leads; CF website, JM PON, JR Facebook, BB to join. PR to be decided; Community events becomes community engagement including forums.
 - e. Waste and Recycling:** DC to be asked to lead; JL, CF will join

- f. **Wharves, Boats and Maintenance, JR** to lead, IS and CH on committee.
2. **Wharves Boats and Maintenance:** JR reported that the legal objection to Cargo pontoon has been dropped due to a modified design from council. List is now 19; 4 people on waiting list. JR has spoken to TC at PWC and given list; she will contact JR when next step is needed. Cost is \$150 per year for each boat. Pontoon will not happen until March 2013. After this boats on beach will incur fine. JR has stressed that clean-up needs to happen before and that cars left on reserve will also be fined before that. Query re fee structure at Commuter: letter has been written asking for fees to be reduced from \$285.

3. All other correspondence to be held over to next meeting.

6. **Formal motions:** Governance proposal from BB: “that the newly elected SIRA Committee and interested residents examine Governance issues with a recommendation to be presented for discussion at a Community Forum”. BB proposed that this be a working group. AG proposed that a small working group be formed to outline the issues involved and potential solutions, bring back to the group at large, then present to the community. JR proposed a working group on governance; CF seconded. AG proposed a sub-committee which would then be taken to community, CG seconded. BG proposed a sub-committee to outline issues and that there also be a working group; JR seconded. AG accepted this, BB also accepted. Motion carried. **BB** to lead working group, BG to join.

Meeting closed at 1:15 p.m.

Next meeting: Sunday, January 27, 2012 10 a.m. Venue Community Hall