



Scotland Island Residents' Association

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Date: June 24, 2012
Venue: Community Hall
Present: Bill Gye, Cass Gye, Carol Floyd, Judy Readman, June Lahm, Paul Kinnison, Jenny Cullen, Sharon Kinnison Graeme Crayford, Sue Dickson, Karen Warburton, Ian Souter
Observers: Max Yaffa
Apologies: Colin Haskell, Alan Gaines, Karin Krueger
Opening: Meeting opened at 10:05 am

Welcome and Apologies

1) OPERATIONS

- i) **Previous May minutes:** accepted
- ii) **Outstanding Action Points:**
 - (1) **Observer policy:** Draft a policy to review at next meeting. **HELD OVER Action: GC to draft**
 - (2) Confidentiality Agreement: Input at next meeting. **HELD OVER Action: ALL**
 - (3) Draft update funding policy and community consultation **HELD OVER Action: SK to draft**
 - (4) St George proof of ID **HELD OVER Action: JR**
- iii) **Financial Report:**

April accounts complete; BAS 3rd quarter lodged and paid; TUG reconciliation to be completed; CV Budget 2012-2013 sent to DOT; Association Liability Insurance renewed; May accounts paid **Report accepted**
- iv) **Teams:** SK and JC to join Church Point Project Team; CH Team Leader Water and Wastewater

2) COMMUNITY SERVICES

- i) **Hall Report:** CF has followed up PWC on installation of verandah awning.
- ii) **Website:** Check and update all content; DH to create generic email addresses for President and SIRAC; funds for scanning requested for history page; CF to liaise with Shar; SK older studies be included; CG has a resource list. **Action: CF/KB to finalise website updates**
- iii) **Upcoming POD:** DV and CG planning production 5th edition; GC suggested live online copy.
- iv) **Emergency Water System:** CG reported that PD from PWC advised Sydney Water considering reducing the water pressure; impact on Island water supply. **Action: CG to follow-up.**
- v) **MY (Observer):** Objections to new Cargo Pontoon; size of structure, wash from boats and noise; Cargo existing working wharf and already noisy; proposed a smaller structure; install fenders on pontoons to reduce noise. Discussion: Project will improve recreational use of beach; lighting; IS restrictions on design and placement of pontoon; safety aspect to be considered; no beach tie up for boats allowed; 27 users; POM two years ago showing position of pontoon. MY raised these issues with ME from PWC.

- vi) **Cargo Pontoon Discussion (later):** After much discussion it was agreed that in the interest of the greater community we proceed with support for the project but request Council to install noise mitigation devices and rules for noise management. **Meeting agreed.** SK if there are reduced fees for Cargo should also apply to TUG; **Action: BG letter to PWC; JR to contact MY**
- vii) **Community Vehicle:** Pink Water Taxi has alternative proposal for use of additional funding. **ACTION: CG to investigate**
- viii) **Tennis Pontoons:** No assistance from PWC; new quote approx. \$8,000; SIRAC previously agreed to contribute; PWC responsible for two abandoned pontoons; PK working bee to break up and separate materials; SIRA contribute to refreshments; JC moved allocation of \$3000 ; GC amendment \$500 towards working bee; await advice on further expenditure; CG add to amendment "subject to availability of funds". **Motion:** "that a total of \$3,000 be allocated for removal subject to available funds" SK seconded **Motion passed**
- ix) **TUG:** PK expenses from CH and MK; insufficient funds in account; await annual user fees; send notice of fees to users. Issues: illegal tie ups; refund policy; cap numbers at 38; outstanding membership; CG issues are not SIRAC's responsibility; some people have not contributed; minimal funds in account to reimburse expenses **Action: CG to confirm funds**

3) ACTIVE PROJECTS

a) Church Point Commuter Wharf:

- i) **Survey Results:** WPCA and SIRAC held joint meeting; minutes of meeting sent
- ii) **Meeting Held at Rob Stokes' Office:** Meeting organized by residents June 6 with Rob Stokes, Dept of Lands and PWC. BG noted that this was not transparent; meeting not disclosed to SIRAC colleagues at joint meeting; JC some Offshore residents met with PWC at RS Office to clarify that the POM is the legal document while the Master Plan is not; SK any project needs to be revaluated as required; JL what was PWC reaction; JC PWC said they have consulted but willing to look at alternate plan; IS many consultations with PWC, PA, RTA, Lands, all Australian Standards; CPRA plans went to PWC and were rejected; SK new plans have been developed; IS very little difference between PA plan and CPPOM; BG previously the difference between plans was: CPPOM 67 spaces – v – PA plan 38 spaces; JC new plan has more than 38 spaces; KL requests joint meeting to look at new plan; **Motion:** JC "that we hold a joint meeting to discuss and view new plan". **Amendment:** "that those involved submit plan to PWC to assess feasibility". JC disagreed with amendment. **Vote: Motion Lost 5 to 7. Motion:** CG "that after PWC has assessed the plan, if the design is feasible, a joint meeting could be arranged" Seconded JR. **Vote. Motion Carried Action: CF send out meeting notes**
- iii) **Commuter Wharf Fees:** BG and MW propose to meet with PWC to negotiate lower fees. **Action: BG/MW request meeting with Mark Ferguson to discuss fees**
- iv) **Motion:** SK "that fees be capped at \$500 for car and boat parking" Seconded PK. SK extend time for design issues, establish and work within budget; JR clarification on cap to include CPI? SK agreed. **Motion:** SK "that any future increase to be approved by community" Seconded ???. JR against combining fees; funds are accounted for separately; CG against: fees might be lower than cap; GC against: does not include what we are getting; BG against: could stymie design outcome; we might have fewer park spaces; BG SIRA and WPCA will advocate for lower fees, without decked car park; SK there should individual fees for both car and boat that add up to \$500. **Vote: Motion Lost: 3 votes to 8, 1 abstain.**

- v) **Community Consultation on Funds:** SK proposed “that PWC negotiate with community an acceptable methodology for the use of any community funds”; BG this proposal needs further work. **Action: SK/BG to work on proposal**
- vi) **Reduced Fees for Small Boats: Motion:** JC “that residents with smaller boats receive a reduction in fees”. SK seconded. JR against: discriminates against people who need larger boats for various reasons; JC for: it would give people an incentive for smaller boats; PWC to carry out annual inspection; SK for: encourages sustainability and the process is feasible. **Vote: Motion Lost:** 5 votes to 6.
- vii) **Area for Small Boats: Motion:** JC “that an area be allocated on the inside for smaller boats”. Seconded ???. CF against: it would require policing; JR for: signpost reserving area; definition of smaller boats TBD: **Motion Passed** 8 to 3. **Action: JC draft letter to PWC for BG**
- viii) **Church Point Sea wall:** PK request seawall construction be considered; some funds allocated; no plans finalized; look at the overall design.
- b) **Catherine Park:** SK playground is muddy; more sand needed. **Action: CG contact SL at PWC**

4) OTHER BUSINESS & NEW PROJECTS

- i) **Catherine Park Steps:** JC requested that SIRAC request funding to carry out working bee on drainage to protect steps. **Meeting agreed. Action: JC to draft letter to PWC for BG**
- ii) **Bangalla:** PWC sent letter to residents that there appears to be a breach of regulations and action is being taken.
- iii) **Vehicle Registration:** Vehicle owners have been advised. **Action: CG to put out notice in PON and announce that SIRA does not support unregistered vehicles**
- iv) **Ian White Campaign:** Elections in September; CG support required to working campaign, let her know if able to contribute
- v) **Bell Wharf:** CG requested letter be sent to PWC for contribution of materials to improve small section of foreshore walkway. **Action: CG to draft letter**
- vi) **Waste Contract Tender:** SIRAC to request input into tender. **Action: CG to draft letter**

Meeting closed at 1 p.m.

Next meeting: 10 a.m. Sunday, August 5, 2012 Venue: Hall