

THE GIDGEGANNUP PROGRESS ASSOCIATION (INC.)
MINUTES OF A GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 15TH MAY, 2006, AT 7.30 PM AT THE
AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY HALL, GIDGEGANNUP.

Present: Sally Block - Chair
Vicki Hamersley - Secretary

F. Evans, J. Fletcher, S. Johnston, D. Robertson, I. Stannard,

Apologies: L & J Baxter, J & T Beattie, S. Croy, M & J Davis, B. Karoll, J. Morgan, W. Wild

1.Minutes: It was moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of 24th April 2006, be accepted S. Johnston/D. Robertson – carried.

Business Arising:

Telstra – No reply as yet re. Mobile Phone Towers in Gidgegannup. S. Block to follow up again with Judi Moylan office.

Verge Spraying – City have not as yet replied.

Western Power – Cross Bar on W. Wild’s property has been mended.

Banners – These are to be replace. The City has made up ten sets, one for each ward to be rotated. They will be installed in time for the Show. Website address will be put on Tourist Board.

2.Treasurer’s Report: Balance at Bank \$630.25

It was moved that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted I. Stannard/J.Fletcher – carried.

3.Correspondence:

IN

Local Government Advisory Board Report on Electoral Reform

City – Proposed Distillery – Lot 29 No.531 Berry Road

Various correspondence

- Funding for Gidgegannup Community website
- Grants
- Adoption of Ancillary Accommodation and Grouped Dwellings in Rural Zones
- WAPC Draft Wetland Buffer Guidelines
- Differential Rates
- Proposed Dam & Aquaculture Facility – Lot 69 Berry Road

Various correspondence

Stoneville Progress Association – minutes

Telstra – Broadband Connect

DoEd. – re. First and Second Click grants also various correspondence

V. Hamersley – report on Yarragadee Forum.

OUT

WBLCDC – re. Dam Lot 87 Old Coach Road

City – re. ODP 119

- re. White line Reserve Road
- Slashing of Verges in Gidgegannup

Inward Correspondence Accepted, Outward endorsed proposed D. Robertson/I. Stannard – carried.

Business Arising:

Distillery Lot 29/531 Berry Road – Neighbours had raised concerns with the GPA re. This proposal. Thought not enough detail, not compatible with residential area. Concerns about the eventual size of the undertaking - moved Ian Stannard/Fred Evans that the GPA make a submission expressing concerns and asking for a great deal more detail before this application can be properly assessed – carried.

City of Swan Grants – GPA have applied for a First Click and Second Click grant for the computer courses. Tutors and school are now organized and there have been over 50 expressions of interest. If not successful with these grants will apply to City to enable them to go ahead.

S. Johnston suggested grant for spraying weeds particularly in the Gidgegannup Town Reserve. Sally Block said thought that this should be handled by the Friends of the Reserve and would refer to them.

Policy's adopted – City had adopted the Ancillary Accommodation and Grouped Dwellings Policy (not cluster development). There is provision in the Ancillary Accommodation Policy for people to apply for a larger area.

Differential Rates – D. Robertson to write submission for GPA on this. Concerns expressed re. UV rates rising 10% a year instead of CPI indexed. Whereas GRV rate to be fixed at 5%.

Aquaculture proposal Lot 69 Berry Road – Neighbour has approached GPA with concerns, this is the same property that applied for a large dam last year amid concerns by neighbours. Headwaters of the Equitus rise on this property and the dam applied for is still extremely large for purpose stated. Moved V. Hamersley/S. Johnston that GPA make a submission expressing same concerns we had last year and asking if dam conforms to Dams Policy.

ODP 119 – J. Fletcher expressed her concern about the road from ODP 119 accessing direct on to Toodyay Road. It appears that Main Roads do not have a concern regarding this. Although not desirable for roads to access direct on to Toodyay Road – this will be a service road when the Roland Road junction is brought up to Orange Route Standards. Felt important to lobby for this, particularly regarding development proposed down Roland Road.

Percy Cullen Oval – More hoon activity reported. Seems entering Reserve by access way to bore – suggested boulders need to be put to block this access. S. Block to follow up with Rec. Club committee.

4. General Business:

Water Forum – Vicki Hamersley had attended this on behalf of the GPA – tabled report. Extremely interesting and very good speakers. Overall conclusion from the meeting was that not enough is known what the effects of drawing down from the Yarragadee will be on the South West ecology. Evidence would take ten years to show up and then it would be too late.

Grading of sides of Roads – F. Evans reported sides of Reserve Road getting dangerously eroded. Report to Councillor.

5. Closure of Meeting: There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm. The next meeting will be held on 19th June, 2006 at 7.30 pm at the Agricultural Society Hall, Gidgegannup.