

THE GIDGEGANNUP PROGRESS ASSOCIATION (INC.)
MINUTES OF A GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 17TH JULY 2006, AT 8.00 PM
AT THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY HALL, GIDGEGANNUP.

Present: Sally Block - Chair
Vicki Hamersley - Secretary

Mary Davis, Fred Evans, Judy Fletcher, Bill Karoll, Allan Lockwood, Don Robertson, Ian Stannard .

Apologies:,L. Baxter, J & T Beattie, S. Croy, J Davis, J. Morgan, J. Pitman

1.Minutes: It was moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of 19th June, 2006, be accepted D. Robertson/J.Fletcher – carried.

Business Arising:

Application for Dam Lot 69 Berry Road - Judy Fletcher queried whether movers of motion at previous meeting should have done so as they were not at the meeting when this subject was discussed. It was agreed that movers had been aware of all the evidence on this matter and the discussion at the meeting so there was no problem. This view strongly supported by some members.

Distillery – Berry Road – this has not come before Council yet.

Computer Courses – These are well attended and progressing satisfactorily, there appears to be a need for further courses. This will be assessed at the end of these sessions.

Differential Rates – These had been set at 5% across the board after strong representations from Rural and Midland Councillors.

Grading of Road edges – City say this will come under general maintenance – felt that the state of the shoulders would contribute greatly to an accident.

Gidgegannup Reserve and Percy Cullen Reserve – Bill Karoll reports City have overcleared site and the DoE is following this up with them. City haave replied to our letter saying that they would not consider fencing off the two reserves as this would alienate the community from the area. Dieback treatment program is continuing. City’s signs being ignored, need for them to be larger. A meeting has been suggested with Grant McKinnon – Sally to arrange.

BMX bike track and recreation areas – It was felt that there is a need for more facilities such as BMX track and recreation areas on sub-divisions. GPA to write to City regarding public open space on these subdivisions, e.g. round fire tanks – also what funds are available from Developers contributions.

Roads – GPA have written to Main Roads re. Toodyay Road upgrade, deceleration lanes and lights. Noted that have reported damaged kerbing Reserve Road/Toodyay Road but no action from Main Roads as yet. – follow up.

Rural Street Numbering – City has agreed that signage with run of numbers at intersections would be helpful. They also agree that ‘unauthorised’ signage should be removed when rural renumbering is completed.

Naming of Reserves – GPA to follow up with City re naming of reserve corner Berry/Reserve roads.

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

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

3.Correspondence:

IN

City Telecommunications Infrastructure – Lot 148 Reserve Road, Gidgegannup
Adoption Budget
Reserves 2145/39173 Percy Cullen Oval
Re. Lot 800 Old Coach Road dam
Proposed Retrospective Application for Dams (2) – Lot 206 Lakeview Drive
Proposed Communications Infrastructure – Lot 1 No. 95 North East Road
SVPA Various Wetlands Guidelines Policy
Jaye Radisich – re. speed limits local roads and safety
New Seniors Card
Stonveville PA – Perth Hills – Vision
Gidgegram
Sue Johnston – re. resignation

OUT

City - Proposed Retrospective Application for Dams (2) – Lot 206 Lakeview Drive
Proposed Communications Infrastructure – Lot 1 No. 95 North East Road
Re. Lot 800 Old Coach road dam
Reserves 214539173 Percy Cullen Oval
Main Roads – Toodyay Road
Jaye Radisich – Bus Service

Correspondence endorsed and accepted I. Stannard/A.Lockwood – carried.

Business Arising:

Lot 800 Old Coach Road – a soak is considered to be a dam under the Dams Policy. As this excavation is so near a public roadway consideration may be given to a fencing requirement.

Retrospective application on two dams on Lot 206 Lakeview Drive. GPA’s only concern was that they were on a 2 ha. Subdivision, otherwise they complied with Dams Policy.

Communications Tower North East Road. Telstra had made an application to replace this tower providing better emergency service and CALM coverage – it was hoped that this would also provide mobile phone coverage for this area, as it is remote, high fire risk, poor land line service and would be of an immense service to the community.

Wetlands Buffer Policy – this appears to be proposed legislation that could affect a wide area – GPA seeking further information and would put a submission in on this matter.

A letter of resignation had been received from Sue Johnston – agreed to speak to her re. it and any problems she perceived.

Stoneville Progress Association had sent GPA its Perth Hills Vision document, this had been circulated to all members. Suggestion is that the hills from Muchea to Serpentine should be protected from high density development such as the Adelaide Hills and recognized as a special area with legislation to uphold this. Felt that very difficult to implement as different areas have different needs, cited case of high rise buildings down coast and each municipality having different requirements. Document was rather vague needed more structure as to how this aim would be achieved and what actually was to be achieved. Dangers of over legislation when it could make it difficult for people to do what they wished on properties. Suggested that SPA need to do a lot more consultation with community re. this issue, similar to Place Planning exercise carried out in Gidgegannup. Difficulty that this area covers 6 or 7 municipalities. SPA welcome to attend GPA meeting to discuss further.

4.General Business:

Culling of Kangaroos at night – concern was raised on this matter as instances of shooting Kangaroos at night had been reported. It was thought some of these were from the road across properties. Also concerns raised re. hoons on roads at night. GPA to write to police re. this matter.

5.Closure of Meeting: There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30 pm. The next meeting will be held on 21st August, 2006 at 7.30 pm at the Agricultural Society Hall, Gidgegannup.