

## **MEETING OF THE HARTLEY DISTRICT PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

**Held on Monday 2 March 2015 at 7.00pm at the Hartley Historic School**

**1. PRESENT**

Tom Kent (Chair) (TK); Joan Kent (JK); Ian Campbell (IC); Seamus Casey (SC); Ramsay Moodie (RM); Susie Moodie (SM); Diane Green (DG); Margaret Combs (MC); Annette Gilbey (AG); Max Wheat (MW); Barbara Wheat (BW) – (Minute Secretary)

**APOLOGIES**

B Johnson, R & S Howard, D & B Wass, J Facchina, M Combs, D Austen, J Robinson, B Morris, P Hunt

**2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 February 2015 were confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

**3. FINANCIAL UPDATE**

RM tabled Financial Statement and advised a balance of \$3,905.78 prior to any billing for the Business Directory, HHAG \$911.61 and Western Crossings Trust \$75.42.

**Motion:**

That the Financial Statement be accepted.

**Carried Unanimously**

DG requested payment of an invoice from Domain Registration Services for \$33 in order to maintain the name of the website. There was no extra charge for Spam protection.

**Carried Unanimously**

The meeting was advised that after printing, the Business Directory had achieved a profit of \$3,377 – a great result.

Hall Hire report was noted. Awaiting payments amounting to \$700.00.

It was agreed that a letter of thanks be forwarded to Barbara Johnson for her efforts.

**Carried Unanimously**

**4. HY-TEC UPDATE**

The Voluntary Payment Authority still being negotiated with LCC. TK advised that the Department of Planning Officer assessing the submission was on leave for 3 weeks – this matter is progressing, however, it may be several months before approval of the 30 year extension of Austen Quarry Licence is achieved.

**5. GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY UPGRADE**

Seymour Whyte is the nominated contractors for these works, and it was apparent that the works could not be altered at this time, despite many concerns expressed by local residents. Discussion followed.

**Motion:**

Pen letter to respective political representatives, including the Hon. Duncan Gay, expressing all the concerns being experienced by local residents.

**Carried Unanimously**

**5. COMMEMORATION OF FIRST CHURCH SERVICES WEST OF BLUE MOUNTAINS – 26 April 2015**

Professor Dame Marie Bashir, who is a patron of the Macquarie Society, will officiate at this event. The RFS will supply a sausage sizzle and afternoon tea on the day. RM also advised that the Macquarie Bank has donated money through the Macquarie Society. Hy-Tec will also support this event, as well as the State Library.

**6. HARTLEY MOTOR BIKE EVENT**

Work on this event is progressing slowly – update next meeting.

**7. HARTLEY HALL HIRE**

Quite significant business has been achieved and is building.

**8. BUSINESS DIRECTORY**

Progressing.

**9. HALL PAINTING**

SC reported was nearing completion, at a total cost of \$2,200, which includes report bill for the woodwork. The bricks underneath the building and the piers for the water tank have also been cleaned.

A payment of \$1,300 to A & J Painting, Hartley to be approved.

It was agreed that a letter of appreciation be sent to Andrew Moyle following completion of the works.

**10. PICNIC TABLES AND SEATING**

It was agreed these are in need of urgent repair. Various alternatives were discussed, and SC and IC agreed to progress this as a matter of urgency and look at both repairing or replacing the items.

DG broached the issue of the toilets that are leaking externally. Mick Linhart and Col Howarth were both mentioned as plumbers who may be able to assist and SC and IC agreed to progress.

**11. CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA**

A “thank you” was afforded to the small but willing team who attended. It was agreed that LCC must push this event with much more enthusiasm next year. The “tosser” campaign appears to be gaining momentum but not Clean Up Australia. To be progressed next year.

**12. IRONFEST**

An invitation to Ironfest for seniors at a special rate was tabled. The event is scheduled for 18/19 April 2015.

**13. ORAL HISTORY**

DG advised she had attended several meetings and reported that a legal recording agreement was required prior to interviewing people. As HDPa is the sponsor, all information must be ratified by HDPa and JK and determine a course of action for the information.

**Action:**

JK to approve an appropriate form and email to members.

**14. WEBSITE**

DG reported that she had identified the source of many spam messages and had managed to ban many of them. Very positive feedback had been received on the bushwalking section.

DG requested that all relevant information be forwarded to her, so the website could be updated.

**15. HARTLEY HAPPY HOUR**

DG confirmed this was on the internet.  
Members to bring a plate.  
DG to provide music.  
Children welcome.  
Commence at 6pm.

**16. INTERNET BANKING**

RM moved that HDPa proceed to internet banking and delete the use of cheques.  
Signatories to be authorised.

**17. TOM AND JOAN KENT**

RM reported that this would most likely be Tom and Joan's last meeting and reported they had served HDPa very well in the last 18 months, Tom as chairman and Joan with her heritage works.

**Motion:**

That a vote of thanks be recorded for the numerous contributions to the HDPa and with them every success in their new lives in the Mountains.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm

The next General Meeting is scheduled for 1 June 2015 at 7pm in the Hartley Historic School.

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President

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Date