

# **BRAIDWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

**GENERAL MEETING FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup> 2021**

**BRAIDWOOD SERVICEMENS CLUB**

## **MINUTES**

The meeting opened at 5.40pm, with 14 in attendance.

**1. Apologies:** Annie Duke, Catherine Bell, Pauline Coady, Sue Lyons, John Beale, Sue Doran, Alison Sexton-Green

**2. Minutes of previous meeting** held December 2, 2020 accepted by David Anthony, seconded John Tuckwell.

### **3. Community Priorities Survey**

John Tuckwell is managing the Survey. One of the aims is a high level of responses from both members and the whole community.

Survey Volunteers: Sarah Leheny, Sue Murray, David Anthony, John Tuckwell, Trish Sargeson, Sheelagh Noonan, John Beale, Sue Lyons. First Meeting to be held 23 February.

Last year the survey results contributed to the QPRC Operational Plan.

### **4. Business Arising**

**a. Lascelles St** and other roadworks including Kings Highway/Nerriga Rd. intersection. QPRC staff Derek Tooth and Barry Osmond to talk at March general meeting,

**b. Council Customer Service Area and Library.** Consultation is complete. Design to be finalised and additional funding to be sought if necessary prior to commencement.

**c) Swimming pool upgrades:** Sue Lyons and Roger James are in touch with QPRC about the next stage, including upgrading the change rooms and kiosk, and installing a new heating system.

**d. Monkittee Creek Bridge** Pedestrian pathway. Work delayed.

**e. Skate Park Grant Application.** An application has been submitted for a BLERF grant, with 85 support letters. The BCA Youth Activities Sub-Committee and the Braidwood Youth Performing Arts Association (BYPAA) raised over \$5000 through printing and selling -shirts and bags, and running the Braidwood Book Fair for a day. Bendigo Bank generously supported the screen-printing workshops, which were a great success.

**f. BCA Website.** John Tuckwell thanked Catherine Bell and brother Adam for very helpful assistance. The Calendar is ready to be populated. Braidwood Community organisations are being invited to input.

John Tuckwell was thanked by the Meeting for his work on the website.

**f. 'Share the Dignity' Pinkbox** ready to be installed at the Library bathroom area. Sarah Leheny will continue to manage this initiative, and was thanked by the Meeting.

**g. Bushfire Recovery.** QPRC Bushfire Recovery Team will be developing a Community Resilience Plan, in consultation with the community.

## **5. Correspondence.**

**a) To and from QPRC** – Ricky Tozer, Debbie Sibbick, Joanne Wilson-Ridley, Terry Campese, Melissa Higgins, Ashleigh Brady, Colin Grant.

**b) To and from Nick Fry** (Bendigo Bank) and **BYPAA** re fundraising for Skate Park.

**c) To and from Marjorie Lemin** re Book Fair

**d) To Tim Overall** re proposed Braidwood Structure Plan

## **6. Treasurer's Report.**

Tabled. Bank Balance at 14 February 2021: \$9,456.74. Increase is due to fundraising for the Skate Park, which raised just over \$5000 so far.

Memberships are due for renewal. The importance of maintaining a substantial membership was emphasised, giving weight to input to Council.

## **7. General business.**

**a. Affordable Housing.** Trish Sargeson reported that she and Janene Collins took part in a Zoom meeting with Future Steps, a Lend Lease initiative. Further discussion with Lend lease is planned.

### **b. Braidwood and Curtilage Heritage Advisory Committee.**

Margaret Tuckwell stated that QPRC Heritage architect advised that Committee be more 'pro-active' re Heritage issues. Margaret flagged a future project ie photographic record of Braidwood Heritage sheds/small buildings, for possible publication.

### **c. 'A Community Under Fire' project.**

Don Jones spoke to the 60 minute documentary with a 'Braidwood Cut'. Formal launch for end of 2021. Funding received from Australian Government, Braidwood Community Help Fund and others. Corporate sponsors being announced in March.

### **d. Braidwood Museum Heritage Cultural Centre**

John Stahel spoke to future plans to be managed by Dept. of Public Works, QPRC and Regional NSW. 'The Historical Society controls the work, Govt. controls the money.' Public Works to provide architects. 1st meeting for 8 March. Website: Braidwoodmuseum.org

**e. Return and Earn Scheme.** Jamie Raynolds of Royal Mail Hotel said the scheme was no longer viable for the hotel. He proposes a 'reverse vending machine' with money return from IGA. Proposed location at Sandholes Rd to be discussed with Council

**Motion:** That BCA support this proposal by writing to QPRC asking for help to establish an alternative location. 1. David Anthony. 2. John Tuckwell. Don Jones offered to compose the letter.

## 8. Other Business

a. Phillip Owen reported on **Dargues Gold Mine** matters: New mine management has noted that Community grants on offer have not been taken up. Phillip can give help to applicants. Adrian Bell to be invited to give more information at future BCA meeting.

b. Marian Pearce spoke on need for an **off -lead dog park**, fully fenced. John Tuckwell suggested inclusion in Community Priority Survey. David Anthony suggested a Dog Management Plan be created.

c. Comments: lack of 'green open space' in Braidwood. A 'round town' walkway/cycle way to be prioritised.

d. Don Jones suggested 27 March be BCA Picnic Day in lieu of Neighbours Day.

## 9. Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 16 March

Meeting closed at 7.10pm

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