

BRAIDWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING DECEMBER 3rd 2019

MINUTES

1. Welcome and apologies

There were 25 members present.

Apologies: David Anthony Catherine Bell, Bruce Keeley, Andrew Clark, Ann McVilly, Sheelagh Noonan, Susie Edmonds, Virginia Hooker and Cecile Galiazzo.

2. Special resolution re incorporation –

Unanimously approved /Resolved to Incorporate.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held 29 October 2019

Moved: Sue Murray

Seconded John Tuckwell

4. Business arising and not included in General Business

- a. **Lascelles St Upgrade plans** -Submissions due to QPRC by December 20th. General discussion. Preferred type of trees were Ash and Crab-apple.
- b. **Community Engagement and participation plan and toolkit** - John Tuckwell reported that the BCA's suggestions were picked up by Council in all but one respect and that was the council did not consider that they needed to have a community panel in relation to development proposals .
- c. **Playground opening report** Very successful. Unfortunately, Catherine Bell was not there to be thanked personally - huge round of applause for her efforts.
- d. **Plans for the Council office building (the Braidwood Literary Institute)** Our ideas and suggestions for access to the building were taken on board by Council. They are proposing a small 'Smart Hub' in the front room as opposed to the large-scale conversion previously announced.
- e. **QPRC community consultation meeting 19th of November.** Good meeting, everyone was very impressed. Many topics covered by Council staff. Noted general discussion about the dangers of Wallace Street bridge over Monkittee Creek, and the need to write to the minister regarding upgrading the bridge.
- f. **Ideas for D&S Motors and QPRC works depot site** This is an ongoing issue for the community as to what to do with the site. Jacquelyn Richards, QPRC General Manager (Community Choice) is interested in proposal supporting performing arts centre for the site. Meeting is being set up for the 9th of December 2019 to look at this and also housing issues. Timeline for developing the site is 2020 to 2024 (new Council) so it's possibly as far away as 4 years.
- g. **Skate Park report and decision** -Council have decided that the skate park will be located at the Rec Ground but there is no funding approved for this. There was some discussion of the money coming from the mine but no confirmation of where the funding is coming from and the timeline for development.
- h. **Community Xmas Party 13th of December** –Everyone is looking forward to this. Confirmation that the location is Ryrie Park South and Wilson St
- i. **Lighting in Ryrie Park and elsewhere.** It was mentioned that David Anthony had advised that the windmill on the playground could be used to run a light. Eryn Wood also mentioned that a security camera or surveillance might be useful to prevent

vandalism in the playground-various examples of vandalism around the town were discussed.

- j. **Swimming pool upgrades** General discussion about the lack of clarity coming from Council about the pool upgrade - when the works will take place and where the funding is coming from. The upgrades will happen in two stages. Stage One is funded from a State Govt grant.
- k. **Land use approvals for land next to the Colonial motel** -John Tuckwell confirmed from the QPRC website that there was a DA application for a house site.

5. **Correspondence**

Noted the only discussion about the correspondence arose in relation to the proposed Telstra talk. This is dealt with below.

6. **Treasurer's Report**

Andrew Clark is away. The Treasurer's report is postponed until the next meeting in January or February 2020.

7. **General Business**

- a. **Bush fires.** At the time of the meeting the bush fires are still ongoing. Discussions of disaster centre location. Noted people were available at the National Theatre and the VIC for advice and evacuation assistance. Discussions of what could be donated to the fire brigade. Proposal to put a collection box at IGA. Also noted that the Fire brigade catering coordinator would have to approve food donations. Anzac biscuits, slices etc would possibly be fine. Discussion about a go-fund-me page. Some members to assist with the catering at the fire station.
- b. **Christmas drinks** to happen on the weekend of the 8th of December 4.00 to 6:00 PM.
- c. **Meeting with Telstra reps** December 10th at 5:30 PM.

8. **Any other business**

Keith Potger and Elizabeth Hawkes have requested trees be planted out the front of the Old Vet Surgery. General discussion about the preferences for what variety of Crab-apples should be planted. Preference for the same as that planted outside the Altenburg Gallery.

General discussion of casual vacancies on the committee and how they could be filled by appointment. Eryn Wood to be appointed to the committee to replace Monica Castelo.

9. **Next Meeting** It was proposed at the next meeting is scheduled for the last Tuesday in January being the 28th of January 2020. TBA