

BAWLEY POINT & KIOLOA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING - 4PM SUNDAY 8 MARCH 2020

MINUTES

1. **WELCOME:** President Liza Butler welcomed all to the meeting & thanked them for their attendance.
2. **ATTENDANCE:** Please see list
3. **APOLOGIES:** Bev Saunders, Des Nicholls, Carrie Jansma, Helen Nelson
4. **MINUTES OF LAST GENERAL MEETING:** The minutes of last meeting could not be accepted as there was no copy at the meeting. The minutes from the General Meeting of 12 January will be accepted at the next General Meeting. Moved: Kerry Callaghan. Seconded: Moira Heath.
5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
 - A. BP RFS Thankyou letter for the funds we donated to them.
 - B. Letter from Resident, Tracy McDonald, expressing concern that there was a meeting at Watts Reserve without advice to Terragong residents. AB explained that it was not an open meeting but rather a working meeting between a Council Engineer, Kerry Callaghan & himself to confirm the actual location of the table. Watts Reserve is further discussed in 8.B. below.
6. **EMERGENCY PLAN:** Liza Butler announced that the Emergency Plan Meeting with an external facilitator will be held on 22 March from 9am until 12 noon at the Kioloa Hall. The facilitated workshop will develop an emergency plan with participants input for Bawley Point, Kioloa & Termeil. Liza urged all interested members to come along & assist in the development of our Plan that will lead the way for our community & other communities during emergency situations. Some of the items that will be considered are:
 - What do we do for food in an emergency?
 - What information should we have in our holiday rented or AirB&B homes so they know what to do in an emergency?
 - How will we evacuate people if we need to?
7. **FINANCE REPORT:**
 - A. The Treasurer submitted two reports - one the General Account & the other the Fire Appeal report. The General Account Balance is currently \$1191. The Fire Appeal Account has had donations totalling \$74,660. There has been Nil expenditure to date but a number of accounts are to be reimbursed to the Kioloa & Bawley Point RFSs. Further details will be in the next report.
 - B. A sub committee of the Community Association has been negotiating a proposal to introduce a more reliable electricity grid for Kioloa & Bawley Point. It is anticipated that, as reliable energy is a major issue in considering our community emergency plan, details of the proposal may be announced at the emergency management plan workshop to be held at the Kioloa Hall from 9am on Sunday 22 March 2020.
8. **UPDATE ON COMMUNITY PROJECTS:**
 - A. **Gantry History Walk:** Allan Baptist advised that this project was progressing well with the design & costings being finalised. The walk will include some of the old Gantry & will extend from the Boat Ramp at Bawley Beach up to close to the Gantry & is expected to cost between \$150K to \$180K including a contingency. It is hoped the project will be both Council & Grant funded. It was noted that Council have recently been given funds for tourism & this project fits into that funding.

- B. Watts Reserve:** Allan Baptist advised that the Council had visited the reserve with at least two members of the Executive Committee to confirm the table position. Whilst the markings did wash away the exact location is marked in the Satellite so the Council are aware where the table is to be placed. It was pointed out by Tracey McDonald that the table was 18 meters away from the northern boundary & Tracey McDonald asked the Executive Committee to consider moving it a metre towards that boundary to enable an open area for cricket or other activity to also be played in the reserve. Tracey McDonald informed the meeting that she had attended the Reserve when the Council & the Executive Members were measuring the table's location & felt very concerned that she was asked to leave the reserve. It was agreed that this matter will be discussed at the next Executive Meeting.
- C. Skate Park:** Liza Butler advised that this Committee has met once & was to meet with Council to discuss their expectations & any limitations from Council. Unfortunately due to the fires & the impact on Council resources this committee has not yet met with Council but it is expected that a meeting will occur with Council & the committee next month.

9. COMMUNITY CONNECT:

- A. Pathway:** Barrie Ellis advised that Council has provided a 30 page document of the surveyed route from Sand Mines to Butler's Creek Reserve. Unfortunately, despite putting Council Engineers in touch with John Nelson, whose property will be impacted by the footpath, Council has to consult with John Nelson about the proposed route. As it stands, John Nelson cannot agree to the route. John Nelson & Barrie Ellis will be meeting with Council Engineers to resolve John's concerns. Barrie Ellis advised that securing project agreement & locking in the \$300K funds is critical in view of the unscheduled expense caused by the bush fires & the Covid 19 Virus.
Alan McDonald advised that an Engineer in the local area has volunteered to assist with the pathway when required. Barrie Ellis thanked Alan for this information & agreed to contact Alan McDonald when this assistance is needed.
- B. NBN:** Barrie Ellis advised that NBN is digging in PVC piping as a prelude to pulling through its fibre optic cable. The project commenced in Kioloa & is now at Sand Mines. This work has not been without issues such as cutting through Telstra's copper cable & interrupting various residents existing services. Implementation by Telstra on NBN infrastructure in Tingira Crescent had one of our residents without any landline or data services for 7 weeks. The debacle was finally resolved by the intervention of Fiona Phillips, the Federal Member for Gilmore & her staff. Barrie Ellis advised that he has taken up the resident issue with Telstra as well as requested Telstra to put in a regime for the upcoming Kioloa installation when it comes on line in April/May 2020.
- C. Diesel Generator at the Resource Management Centre:** It has been confirmed that the generator is still functional & Barrie Ellis advised that in fact post the 5 December 2019 fire at Bawley Point it was the generator that restored the power to the Village until the main lines at Termeil were repaired.

10. STRATEGY TO CLEAN UP UNDERGROWTH & VEGETATION IN RESERVES & ON PRIVATE LAND:

- A. Bushland from North Beach to Merry Beach:** Liza Butler advised that a meeting had been held with Council & community volunteers who are keen to clean up bushland & reserves. Council had advised that the dead stuff can be removed. The RFS will do an analysis of public & a few private properties to ascertain & advise on fire risk & what action needs to be taken.
- B. Asset Protection Zone:** John Nelson raised that the terms of reference of this group should be expanded to include an Asset Protection Zone on our western flank, ie, between Bawley Point/Kioloa & the highway. A proposal to include an Asset Protection Zone in the terms of reference of this group was put to the meeting by Barrie Ellis & seconded by John Nelson & agreed by the meeting.

11. OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. Notification of Meetings & Communication Generally:** John Nelson proposed that members of the Community Association get an email before every meeting. Seconded by Roger Lucas & accepted by the meeting. Liza Butler advised that the meetings dates should be on the website & if they weren't then she apologises to the community on behalf of the Executive Committee. Roger Lucas advised that he would discuss this at the next Executive Committee meeting & would also discuss communication generally including the need for a second secretary on the Committee.

12. SUMMARY OF ACTIONS:

- A. Executive Meeting to discuss concern by resident on attendance at Watts Reserve.
- B. Liza Butler to progress meeting with Council & Skate Park Committee
- C. Barrie Ellis to follow up with Alan McDonald on volunteer Engineer to assist with pathway when needed.
- D. Clean Up Sub Group to amend their terms of reference to include Asset Protection Zone. ????? Who should be doing this?
- E. Executive Committee to discuss communication to the community of meetings, etc.

Participants were again thanked for their attendance & reminded of the Workshop to establish a Community Emergency Plan on Sunday 22 March commencing at 9am at Kioloa Community Hall.

The meeting closed at 5.30pm.

The next General Meeting will be held on Sunday 10 May at 10am.