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Minutes of Ordinary General Meeting **Held 17th May 2016 at Newport Community Centre**

Meeting commenced at 7.03pm

Members present: As per attendance sheet
President Gavin Butler
Treasurer Kyle Hill
Secretary: (Ian Heard deputised)
Committee members: Bill Thomson, Peter Middleton, Selena Webber

President's welcome to all present:

Gavin Butler welcomed members and guests.

Apologies: Di Cook, Martha Gee, Warwick Kitt, Glen Moore (Horseshoe Cove Assn) Wendy Dunnet, Toni White, Robert Dunn.

Approval of Minutes of previous Ordinary General Meeting held 19th April 2016

Moved: Selena Webber Seconded: Bill Thomson

Treasurer's Report:

Balance @ 14/03/2016	746.09
Add Receipts	.01
Sub total	746.10
Deduct Payments	.00
Net Assets as at 29/03/2016	746.10

Moved: Selena Webber

Seconded: Bill Thomson

Correspondence & Matters Arising:

Correspondence in: e-mail from NRA member Warwick Kitt suggesting we invite the new Mackellar federal election candidate Jason Falinski to address the next NRA meeting, letter from the Horseshoe Cove association re the RMYC marina extensions (to be dealt with later under Agenda items), e-mail from Northern Beaches council acknowledging our request re Newport signage.

Correspondence out: Letter to PWC re status of Woolworths contract, Letter to PWC confirming meeting and matters re wood fore heaters, letter to PWC re fuel tankers in back streets of Newport and letter to PWC re signage at bust stop pointing directions to Newport community centre.

Items for Discussion:

Council Amalgamations (see updated website)

The President noted that the government had proclaimed a new council called the Northern Beach Council which effectively caused Pittwater Council to no longer exist. General discussion ensued re Ward areas. Kylie Ferguson asked to comment and advised that Reference Groups have been disbanded. Peter Middleton spoke of the value of the Reference Groups and read his email to PWC re this. Response from PWC was tabled. Selena's input was that prior indications from PWC was that Reference Groups would continue.

The President shared that Rob Stokes had said he had had done all that he could to represent the interests of his constituents.

Sue Young and others shared information about legal challenges to the State Government's actions re Councils and the consensus was that we should watch and monitor the outcomes and ramifications closely. There was general discussion about current LEP's remaining as is and President indicated that he and NRA will keep residents apprised of decisions.

A Notice of Motion was brought by Kyle Hill that a note of appreciation be sent to the four Councillors who openly supported existing arrangements for PWC (Councillors Grace, Hegarty, Young and Griffiths). An amendment was moved by Bill suggesting appreciation to all Councillors with the 4 mentioned especially. This was seconded by Selena and broad discussion ensued with input from the President, David Catchlove and Ian Heard suggesting the prudence of waiting until results of legal challenges are known and the dust settles on the matter. Kyle Hill then withdrew his motion in deference to this view.

Old Caltex site – S96(2) application to cover unauthorised works

President reported that an onsite conciliation meeting was scheduled for May 18 focussing on work outside of L & E Court's decisions. NRA President to attend.

Coles Supermarket & Compliance with DA Conditions

GB reported that council had supplied him with the applicable consent conditions, traffic management agreement etc. A copy of this was handed to Jonathon Wayne who will now prepare a list on non-compliance events related to these conditions.

Woolworths Site

David Catchlove addressed the matter of rumours about the site. Council was guarded and said that the evaluation with Woolworths was ongoing. David shared that the Friends of Newport group had written to all directors of Woolworths seeking clarification of intentions.

Peter Middleton then addressed the meeting and advised of an intended response from PWC (prior to its demise) that the terms of the agreement with Fabcot (Woolworths) had expired and would therefore need to be re-negotiated. This was met with some pleasure by all present.

Peter also took opportunity to share his vision for the possibility of a boutique accommodation hotel at the 'Woolworths' site. Peter circulated concept sketches from architects.

Other Planning Applications

The list of new DA's and Section 96 applications received during the month was read out and no NRA action was deemed required

Southern Newport Beach Water tap and rubbish bin lack of facilities

The President advised had met with Lorrie Morgan to inspect the site and issues and will now proceed to get in touch with the relevant council staff re the matter.

'Pittwater Unleashed' update (see website)

No further update

Provision of Lights at the junction of Barrenjoey Rd and Queens Parade

The matter would be left to a future meeting when the proposer Roger Johnston, was available to speak to it.

Proposal re Barrenjoey Lighthouse buildings to be converted for overnight stay type accommodation.

The President advised that Rob Stokes had organised for this matter to be killed.

Proposal to limit car sales on Barrenjoey Road

This mater is being left on the agenda until the RMS review is finalised and the outcomes advised.

Wood heating

The President commented that he and Bill Thomson had met with the Principal Environmental Officer at PWC to discuss changes we felt should be made to the PWC web site and changes to the councils installation guidelines and installation certification. Bill Thomson indicated that the website should not only discourage wood burning but also show the dangers of emissions.

Council Draft Delivery Program

Ex-Councillors Young and Ferguson indicated there is no current certainty now about this program under the new council.

Horseshoe Cove & RMYC extension

President then introduced Greg Ross from Horseshoe Cove Association who spoke about the RMYC DA for marina extensions. He distributed a letter and urged NRA to support opposition to the proposal. Discussion ensued in agreement and conclusion was that NRA support with a letter to the new Northern Beaches Council.

Enhanced Future for Newport Oval

This matter will be left on the Agenda until an opportunity to engage with council occurs.

General Business

- A discussion was had re inviting new Political Party candidates to address NRA to indicate what they will do for Pittwater. It was resolved to write to each requesting a written submission from each about their intentions with an option to address a suitable meeting and present their vision.
- Peter Middleton moved a vote of thanks for the work done by Gavin Butler filling Presidential and Secretarial roles for NRA as well as attending strategic meetings etc. Appreciation was evident from the rousing applause.
- Bill encouraged NRA members to maintain PWC connections.
- Ian Heard asked about the presence of dogs in Warriewood (food) Markets and why this seems to have been ignored. Kylie Ferguson agreed to get straight onto the matter.

Meeting Closed at 9.25 pm

Next Ordinary General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 21st June at the Newport Community Centre at 7.00pm