

BEECHMONT AREA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC. MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Held: 7.00 pm Monday 10 December 2012

At: BEECHMONT COMMUNITY CENTRE
Information Café Cottage
1835 Beechmont Road, Beechmont, Qld 4211

ATTENDEES:

Allan Barker, Tom Blake (Treasurer), Beryl Blake, Doug Bradfield (Vice President), Terri Brown, Wal Cattermole, Fay Hansell, Maurie Hansell (President), Diane Kuhl (Minute Secretary), Alan Leech, Corey Millison, Janet Moore, Lyn Moore, Marie Robb, Andre Slaski, Doreen Sproul, Ger Vloothuis

APOLOGIES: Jenny Bradfield, Geoff Bruce, Sara Bruxner, David Farnworth, Bill Sproul and Cr. Virginia West (SRRC)

MEETING OPENED

President Maurie Hansell chaired and opened the Meeting at 7.00 pm, and relayed Cr. Virginia West's Christmas wishes to everyone, "Merry Christmas & Happy New Year".

MINUTES FROM LAST GENERAL MEETING held 8 October 2012

Motion 1

Minutes from Meeting held 8 October 2012 are true and accurate

Moved by: Doreen Sproul

Seconded by: Janet Moore

All in agreement

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Maurie asked? "Did Tom get info re sewage trenches?"
Tom still has to do a mud map and send it to Michael Wallace at SRRC, asap.

CORRESPONDENCE

BBEN are folding up as they cannot get members to their meetings etc as per discussed at the previous meeting, they wish to join with BAPA and be a separate sub committee. This Zest Fest sub committee will continue to host and organize the Zest Fest held annually on the last Sunday every June.

There is no onus on BAPA to create the yearly BBEN directory however Ger Vloothuis will discuss this with Marie Robb and work out if BAPA can continue to produce and combine onto the beechmont.org website & the Hinterlander and possibly print it again in 2013 or 2014. As consensus within the community is that the BBEN yearly directory is a helpful tool, not everyone has access to the Internet.

The current BBEN team have committed that they will organize the 2013 Zest Fest and then reassess before committing to 2014.

A BAPA management committee meeting with BBEN has been held and this BAPA management committee (Maurie, Tom & Doug) agreed to take it to the BAPA members at this meeting. As BBEN Inc. is being dissolved they wish to be set up as a sub

committee of BAPA with a Treasurer & a Secretary appointed to this sub committee (cannot be BAPA current office holders).

Motion 2

That BBEN be set up as a sub committee of BAPA with Wendy T being Treasurer & Sally Mck as Secretary

Moved by: Tom Blake

Seconded by: Doug Bradfield

Majority in agreement

BAPA will be required to open two new BAPA bank accounts, after research Tom has chosen the Greater Building Society. 1 new account for BAPA general with 3 signatories and the current funds in the Heritage bank account transferred & the current Heritage bank account closed. The other new bank account will be for the Zest Fest Sub Committee to operate the 2013 Zest Fest, with Wendi, Sally & Tom as signatories.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tom reported on BAPA's financials from 1 March to 30 November being Income = 9020 Expenditure = 9122 deficit = -93.21, see detailed report attached.

After a brief discussion regarding the current accounting procedures all agreed that Tom must start giving receipts for all payments collected.

Beechmont Community Garden financials were explained by Tom

Net profit is currently \$397. See detailed report attached.

\$3725 has been donated to the Community Garden by BAPA.

Discussion held that it has always been envisaged that the Community Garden Club will become a sub committee of BAPA.

It was noted that further discussion is required at the next meeting regarding a fee for attendees to gardening workshops, similar to the attendees at yoga classes.

Motion 3

Treasurers report to be true and accurate

Moved by: Tom Blake

Seconded by: Terri Brown

All in agreement

Motion 4

That the Beechmont Community Garden Group be set up as a sub committee of BAPA

Moved by: Andrea Slaski

Seconded by: Lyn Moore

ALL in agreement

REPORTS

Maurie thanked all BAPA volunteers this year, and noted however that BAPA does need more helpers for Sunday mornings to sell papers and coffee and operate the Information Office.

The Information Centre: Discussion held in regard to the current operation of the Information office and literature, the supply of maps is rapidly depleting. Wal to ask Craig from Landcare to supply some more maps of the Denham reserve falls bush-walking track.

Op Shop – the door lock requires repairs SRRC are aware & they will do repairs shortly. Doreen reported the Op Shop continues to DO well with lots of donations from the community & not costing anything to operate, Lyn & Doreen are sharing the operational duties. Op Shop open every Wednesday & Sunday morning.

Markets – November market had a very poor turnout due to unsettled weather and the bicycle ride event held that day on Beechmont Rd. Luckily the school band were playing which drew a few locals out.

A good number of stalls have booked for the December market. Maurie suggested Ger and his wife Anna come to the market and collect the stallholders \$10 fee, as Tom & Beryl are busy with their stall plus Ger will remember to give receipts!

Website – Ger wants to change a few things on the website, he has put a link to Beechmont Sports Association. Discussion held in regard to a more modern look and ease to find things such as when BAPA meetings are planned. Ger will work on and report at next meeting.

Map – discussion held in regard to a Lookout Sign being a map of the surrounding area, this is proposed to be erected at the Community Centre. Marie Robb confirmed that the creation, printing of said map would not be too difficult. Maurie informed that Council have approved a Gazebo which can be built on old cricket pitch area.

Tracks and Roads – Wal tabled the 2010-2020 SRRC sports and recreation plan which has a draft social plan attached, he has been reviewing it plus the correspondence submission sent 2 years ago by BAPA to state government requesting government purchase of a small parcel of land that the Denham Falls walking track is on.

Maurie has discussed with SRRC the show ground land on Binna Burra Rd, whoever wants to use this land for public community would have to look after it as SRRC is not interested in looking after it, currently it is used for cattle adjustment.

Maurie suggested Wal contacts Andrew McLoughlin from SRRC. Maurie suggested that both BAPA and Landcare send similar letters as per BAPA's 2010 submission letter. Wal will draft a letter to SRRC & state government to revisit the situation.

Community Garden Group

Teri reported that:

Allan Barker reinforced the wall under the tennis court last Saturday.

The Cattle owner has now erected an electric fence.

3 more members joining and renting garden beds.

Workshops attracting an additional 6 to 12 people each time, getting lots of encouragement and feedback.

Terri explained that there are 21 points in the Terms and Conditions for all gardeners to agree to upon joining.

The workshops are not compulsory, however garden bed tenants must comply with organically grown practices and can independently tend their garden bed.

Maurie noted that 'the Village' is doing works to make a car park area and there are piles of red soil. Terri will investigate as soil is required for garden beds

Maurie confirmed that Allan Barker could fit the tap to the big tank.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Ladies toilet is leaking

Roof Gutters

Op shop door lock

Op Shop top step rotting

Door in cottage sticking

Maurie note that at his recent meeting with SRRC, they said they would contemplate reestablishing the Back Creek pipe and plumbing.

Maurie announced that BAPA has submitted a Grant application to Department of Liquor & Gaming for the Jupiters Casino Funds requesting \$20k to repair & repaint buildings and reestablishing the water pipe from Back Creek. The grant process however will take a few months before BAPA gets an answer.

BAPA will next be applying for a Grant from Gold Coast City Council.

It was suggested that the little block shed to be used by stallholders to store items and pay a monthly fee.

Beau care are no longer utilising the Beechmont Community Centre.

Seniors over 50's club at Graceleigh Hall starts Monday 14th January 11am to 3pm every Monday, Derek Friend is organizing.

Plan for a working bee to remove mould of ceiling in op shop and remove the cricket nets. Discussion held and decided that Maurie will look into commercial cleaner to remove the mould problem.

Someone has approached Maurie for the use of the Cottage for a commercial venture 4 days a week, selling arts and crafts, tea and coffee. Previously council has said no to commercial operations on the site but if the community wants it, Council will require a correct proposal and application. Andre expressed his disagreement with commercial use. Council have verbally told Maurie "its all about the sustainability of the site".

Iris Rankin has moved to Nerang, Doreen will get her new address and BAPA should send a little nice thank you and good wishes note to Iris.

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.00 pm

**Next BAPA Meeting will be Monday 11 February 2013
at 7pm**

AGM 11 March 2013

Balance Sheet
Beechmont Area Progress Association
As at 30th September 2012

ASSETS

Current

Petty Cash	50	
Cash Float Thrift Shop	0	
Trading Account	9704.92	
I3 3 Month Term Account		
I6 6 Month Term Account	0	9754.92

Non-Current Assets

Tables and Chairs	1307	
Clothes Rack	150	
Tables-Bobbins	393.4	
Computer Printer	395	
Computer Chair	68.95	
Cupboard	120	
Vacuum Cleaner	145	
Coffee Machine	1192	3771.35

TOTAL ASSETS **13526.27**

As Represented by:

Funds

At Beginning	13619.48	
Surplus/(Deficit)	-93.21	
Total Funds		13526.27

**Income And Expenditure Statement
Beechmont Area Progress Association
For Period**

1st March 2012 to ~~31st December~~ 2012

30th November 2012

Income

Membership	200.00
Shop	3445.00
Grants	519.97
StallHolders	1325.00
Yoga	780.00
BonVue Café	253.00
Broadband For Seniors	0.00
Art Classes	185.00
Bobbins	307.00
Meditation	160.00
InfoCentre	0.00
CommunityGardenBeds	165.00
BBEN	0.00
Bank Interest	3.24
Music Group	202.50
Papers	1408.65
ChiGong	25.00
To Petty Cash	50.00

TOTAL Income

9029.36

Expenditure

Cleaning	650.00
Hardware	0.00
Phone	335.75
Insurance	2150.97
Internet	100.00
Other	280.00
Advertising	0.00
Musicians	350.00
Signs and Banners	0.00
Papers	1443.95
Community Garden	3725.00
Registrations	86.90

TOTAL Expenditure

9122.57

Surplus/(Deficit)

-93.21

Beechmont Community Garden

As at 30th November 2012

Revenue

BAPA Membership	\$70.00	Another Two to come
Community Garden Membership	\$475.00	
BAPA-Sleepers	\$2,200.00	
BAPA-DonationMembership	\$475.00	
BAPA SRRC Grant	\$1,000.00	
BAPA Donation	\$50.00	
Garden Beds	\$1,020.00	
Sleeper Sales	\$200.00	
Compost Sales	\$320.00	
Plant Sales		
Workshops	\$950.00	
MaterialsSoldToTomBlake	\$120.00	

Total Revenue **\$6,880.00**

Expenses

BAPA Beds	\$165.00	
CompostAndManure	\$900.00	
Sleepers	\$2,200.00	
Freight Sleepers	\$600.00	
Terri Workshops	\$950.00	
Kitchen Supplies	\$16.54	
GardenSoil	\$220.00	For 2 Loads from Tom Blake
HayFromTomBlake	\$120.00	
Fertiliser	\$59.65	
Trees	\$315.80	
Pottingmix	\$45.31	
AdminSupplies	\$53.10	
Tools	\$17.00	
Plumbing	\$229.47	
Keys	\$55.80	
FencepostsPicketsBeds	\$479.02	
Timber	\$80.00	
Gates	\$60.00	
Paint	\$5.98	
Miscellaneous	\$74.90	
Seeds	\$4.50	

\$6,482.57

Net Profit/Loss **\$397.43**