**Red Hill Community Association**

**Committee Meeting**

**5.30 pm Thursday 17 August 2023**

**Scott House**

**MINUTES**

1. **Acknowledgment**: Chair David Maddocks gave acknowledgment of the traditional owners and the country on which we met.
2. **Present**: David Maddocks (Chair); John Eldridge; Rob Commerford; Bruce Kiloh; Brett Trebilcock; Jane Reynolds (Minute Taker).
3. **Apologies**: Carolynn Massola; Kerry Watson.
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**: Moved Jane Reynolds; Seconded Rob Comerford. Accepted.
5. **Matters Arising**:

* Correspondence to Mornington Peninsula Shire (“MPS”) regarding maintenance schedule of the Community Reserve toilet facility. ***Completed and to be copied to Cr David Gill.***
* There was discussion about the recently installed roadside milage (51) post signage in the station shelter grounds. ***David Maddocks to contact Jean Rothram of the Historical Society to clarify.***
* Correspondence to MPS regarding reimbursement for the cost of the Station Shelter Signage. ***Carryover.***

1. **Secretary’s Report:**

Moved by Jane Reynolds; Seconded David Maddocks. **Accepted.**

Discussion included:

* **Roadside English Ivy infestation**: Cr Gill provided a reply from MPS as to a schedule of works to control the ivy. It was agreed that this program is encouraging and that ***Secretary should clarify progress with that program via correspondence to the relevant officer***.
* **MPS Strategic Heritage Review**: MPS has provided an extension of time for submissions to later in August. Lyn Connor of the Show Society has requested that RHCA submit in support of protections to the 1920’s Show grounds Pavilion. ***Committee agreed to make a short submission of support along lines Lyn provided***.
* Following further discussion about this Review, the Committee decided that the submission should include: Mechanics Hall; Epicurean (formerly the co-operative cool stores); Red Hill Trading Co, formerly Blue Moon hardware and agri’ supplies (and also clarify status of any planning submission for development of this site/building); and the original Buildings at Red Hill Consolidated School (including the Assembly Hall and Administration) while acknowledging that the school may have plans to remove these in order to better meet contemporary education demands. ***Secretary to write to MPS***
* **Review of Burning Off Laws**: Committee noted David Gibb’s comments and decided that RHCA should submit that smaller property owners in Red Hill rely on controlled burn piles (with registration via CFA) to dispose of garden and tree cuttings ahead of the bushfire season. The volume of garden debris for these properties is too big for suburban green rubbish bins which may otherwise be very adequate in more densely populated suburban areas on the Peninsula. ***Secretary to write to MPS***
* **Next Residents Association Meeting 7 September at 3.30 pm**: David Maddocks will attend for RHCA preferably in person rather than zoom. ***Secretary to advise Cr Gill (done)***
* **Membership Fees**: The Notice to members was sent 29 June and about 20 member fees have since been paid. One or two members have notified that they wish to be removed from the membership list due to relocation. The death of Peter Moodie was acknowledged and his family welcomed as continuing members of RHCA. ***Secretary (following consultation with DM) to send reminder notice enclosing invoice.***

1. **Treasurer’s Report**:

Moved David Maddocks; Seconded John Eldridge. **Accepted.**

Net funds at end July were $736.79.

1. **Recap Planning for Bunnings BBQ Fund Raiser 19 August:**

The considerable work put in by John Eldridge was acknowledged and is appreciated. He will circulate the revised shift roster commencing 7.45 am – 4.00 pm plus clear up time.

1. **Preliminary Discussion on 2023 AGM:**

It was agreed in principle that AGM should be scheduled in October. David Maddocks offered to approach Jackie Salter as a potential speaker (MPS Climate/Environment Department). Secretary to consult President about any thoughts she has.

1. **Repower Update:**

John Eldridge reported that Repower is focussed on: a major exhibition at the 2024 Red Hill Show; and a partnership with Red Hill Consolidated School to attract young people into projects and awareness raising.

1. **Community Hubs Update:**

General discussion about community hubs on the Mornington Peninsula including Mornington, Balnarring, Crib Point, Flinders and Rosebud and various funding models. It was agreed that the Committee will continue discussions on this with the view to representing a position should a Red Hill Hub be contemplated by Council.

1. **Close of Meeting at 6.40 pm**

**Next Meeting: Thursday 21 September**

**Community Coffee: Friday 1 September**