**MINUTES**

**Red Hill Community Association Inc**

**Thursday 16 July, 2020 at 5 pm Via Zoom**

Attendance

**Committee**

David Maddocks, John Eldridge, Roger and Hannah Stuart-Andrews, Bruce Kiloh

**Apologies**

Kerry Watson

**Members**

Carolynn Massola, Lyn and Rob Connor

Acknowledgement

David, gave acknowledgement to the Bunurong/Boon Wurrung people, the traditional inhabitants of the land.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the RHCA committee meeting of May 21, 2020 were circulated and accepted.

Moved: John Seconded: David Carried

Matters Arising

It was decided that any items arising will be picked up in agenda items.

Treasurer’s Report

David presented the treasurers repory

Report Accepted: Moved: David Seconded: Bruce

Correspondence & Secretary’s Report

John presented the following correspondence report.

**Correspondence**

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| 19/6 | Mary Drost | Misc. |
| 19/6 | David Gill - MPSC | Concern re arts community under Covid |
| 24/6 | David Gill | Coronavirus update |
| 25/6 | Adrienne Smith | Wanting application form - sent |
| 26/6 | Joe Lenzo | Re cuts to ABC |
| 26/6 | MPSC | Public exhibition of Budget until 30/7, hearing on 5/8 |
| 26/6 | Mary Drost | Misc. |
| 28/6 | Joe Lenzo | Re desecration of Aboriginal sacred sites |
| 29/6 | EJA | Federal court win for possums – possible effect on logging |
| 30/6 | Kerry to Helen Sali | Re RH Lions decision to not run Scarecrow Festival |
| 30/6 | SurveyMonkey account | Forwarded to David and Kerry |
| 1/7 | Helen Sali | Has new commitments so Helen regrets no to SCF involvement this year |
| 2/7 | David Gill | Coronavirus update |
| 4/7 | David Gill | Re Hinterland roadside management, with inputs from Jessica Wingad, Barbara Porter, Neil Hallam, Alison Hoelzer, David Gibb. |
| 6/7 | From RHCA | To members and others re RHCA membership renewal |
| 6/7 | Mary Drost | Misc. |
| 6/7 | Felicity Jackson | Asking to be removed from RHCA mailing list - done |
| 6/7 | Jim Power | Re membership for himself and Eleanor |
| 7/7 | Helen Sali | Has renewed membership |
| 8/7 | David Gill | MPS should be Regional not Metropolitan Melbourne |
| 8/7 | Aust Post | Advertising – PO Box Plus |
| 8/7 | Andrew Bennett | Re Membership |
| 9/7 | Planning Matters | Misc. |
| 13/7 | David Maddocks to David Gill | Roadside mgt. including photos showing effect of Area Vegetation Pruning |
| 13/7 | Mary Drost | Misc. |
| 14/7 | From Rhonda Prouten | Raising concern re the old timber mill on Arthurs Seat Rd, seeking restoration and signage |
| 14/7 | To Rosie Costello | Membership application form |
| To 15/7 | Five $30 Cheques for RHCA membership from - | Marion Rosetski, C&J McCraith, Jennie Rrowntree/Bob Anselmi, Helen and John Pearse, Marie Hunt |

**Kerry** has the website up to date.

John will draft a response to Rhonda Prouten re the old timber mill, and send to David

Report Accepted: Moved: John Seconded: Bruce

Activity Reports and Updates

1. **Red Hill Station Platform project:** David advised that he is currently waiting on Marcus Harris to get back to him with final drawings from the Architect Steve, for David to view. John informed that he had seen geotechnical soil testing activity on site

Marcus Harris, has advised that the project including the platform building will be completed by Christmas – no doubt will still need more time for interpretive signage.

1. **Scarecrow Festival:** Lyn Connor reported that the Lions had good ideas but lacked the manpower. Coronavirus also caused limitations and Hinterland tourism wanted to retain ownership
2. **MPS - RLR:** David expressed the view that it was good that the RLR had been scrapped, Carolynn was also very pleased with the outcome. Hugh Fraser was still trying to overturn the decision but John Baker has said that it will stand. We now wait for the new budget hearing on the 5th August.
3. **Helipad – Harrison Rd:** It was mentioned that acoustic testing had taken place using a very quiet, modern $3M helicopter, in use an older and noisier model may be used, Roger hoped that the shire would continue its support, we don’t want such precedents.
4. **Roadsides:** Two aspects received some discussion, Hedges blocking views and Area Vegetation Pruning (AVP). With regard to hedges, David showed the Herald-Sun article and photo showing the blocking of views caused by such hedges, the shire has moved to try to amend local laws to prevent these plantings. In regard to AVP there are a number of issues such as its purpose, how harsh is its implementation and what means are used in the process and possible negative spinoffs from heavy machinery and herbicides.

Other Business

**FVB Awards:** David informed that they will be presented via a Zoom meeting at 10 am on Monday 17 August 2020.

**Arthurs Seat Road Shared Track:** Roger informed that the upgrade will be implemented some time during the 2020-23 years and that the Case Number is 2163092.

**RH District Lions Headquarters:** Lyn and Rob Connor informed that they have moved their base to Scott House at the show grounds.

Next Meeting

**Thursday, 20 August, 2020 via Zoom at 5 pm.**

Meeting closed at 5.45 pm