**MINUTES - Red Hill Community Association Inc**

**5.30 pm Thursday 21 July – Scott House, Red Hill**

Attendance

Attendees: David Maddocks (Chair), Jane Reynolds, John Eldridge, Rob Comerford, Bruce Kiloh, Hannah and Roger Stuart-Andrews

Apologies: Carolynn Massola, Kerry Watson

Acknowledgement

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

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the June RHCA committee meeting were circulated and have been ratified and accepted.

Moved: Jane Reynolds Seconded: John Eldridge       Carried

Secretary’s Report

Matters arising from Correspondence are dealt with in the body of the meeting agenda. Jane Reynolds highlighted: the President’s email to members about Shoreham Rd Upgrade, Short Stay Accommodation and Dunns Creek Land Care Working Bee; submission to Council by the President on Clause 29 (hedges) Local Laws Review and Councillor Gill’s request that we request a meeting with Council to press our points; Council decision to deny another extension of permit for the McClear Hill application; the Council Community Grants program of $2.M; and the invitation from Forethought on behalf of United Energy to a round table consultation. A summary of correspondence is contained below.

It was agreed that: Jane should circulate the Forethought invitation to members (done); and David should supply Jane information on the community grants program (done) for circulation to members.

Due to Kerry’s absence this month, there was no report given on social media.

**CORRESPONDENCE 11 June 2022 – 18 July 2022**

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| **DATE** | **FROM** | **TO** | **SUBJECT** | **ANY ACTION** |
| 7 June | A/Director Ambulance Services Victoria | President RHCA | Main Ridge Ambulance Service | NFA |
| 17 June | Repower | RHCA | Acknowledging Membership Application | NFA |
| 17 June | Councillor Gill | RHCA and Community Groups | Apologising re lack of RAM meetings due to unavailability of officers and noting $2M grants program | Is the Grants Program relevant to any of our objectives/activities? |
| 19 June | RHCA President | RHCA Members | Advising RHCA Members status of: Short stay accommodation; Shoreham Road upgrade; and Dunns Creek Land care Working Bee. | NFA |
| 19 June | David Gibb | President RHCA | Requesting that RHCA resend objection to McClear Hill application for extension of permit | President forwarded copy same day |
| 23 June | David Gibb | President RHCA | Confirming that Council declined extension of permit for McClears Hill | NFA |
| 23 June | David Gibb | Secretary RHCA | Further to requests for assistance with help at Dunns Creek Landcare Working Bee | NFA |
| 24 June | Bec Davis Executive Officer Red Hill Show Society | RHCA Committee | Inviting RHCA to get involved with Music Festival on 19 November 2022 such as sausage sizzle, food ideas, children’s program. | Discuss/decide response |
| 26 June | David Gibb | RAM Members | Encouraging submissions to the Local Laws review re Block Out Cypress Plantings | Monitor Local Laws Review |
| 26 June | Councillor Gill | RAM Members | Agreeing to objections on laws relating to or absence of re block out pines |  |
| 30 June | Pamela Vercoe Manager Governance Mornington Peninsula Council | RHCA | Confirming receipt of objection to application to extend permit McClears Hill and noting that it was considered by the Planning Services Committee. |  |
| 30 June | Irene Speiser Member RHCA | Secretary RHCA | Advising that she has left district and does not wish to receive updates/correspondence | Removed from listing and acknowledged |
| 30 June | RHCA Secretary | RHCA Members and Friends | Reminder Community Coffee |  |
| 4 July | Bec Davis | RHCA | Acknowledging that we have listed Music Festival for Discussion |  |
| 7 July | RHCA Secretary | RHCA Members | Advising members of local laws review and opportunity to make submissions to Council |  |
| 7 July | Warwick Beard Repower | RHCA | Invitation to attend on -line update re Repower activities |  |
| 11 July | Robert Clark | Kerry Watson | Expression of interest in RHCA Membership | Carolynn to personally respond |
| 12 July | President RHCA | Mornington Peninsula Shire | Local Laws Review Submission |  |
| 12 July | President RHCA | Bec Davis Show Society | Making arrangements to continue meetings at Scott House for 2022-2023 |  |
| 12 July | David Gibb | RHCA and others | Copy of submission to Council on local laws review and particularly clause 29 re cypress plantings which block out aspect and landscape views |  |
| 12 July | Cindy Stubbs on behalf of Community Safety Mornington Peninsula Shire | President RHCA | Acknowledging receipt of RHCA Submission on local laws review | Monitor progress |
| 12 July | President RHCA | David Gibb | Providing copy of Assoc submission to council on local laws review |  |
| 12 July | President RHCA | Robert Clark | Corres arranging membership details and finalisation | NFA |
| 14 July | Warwick Beard Repower | Those who accepted online update invitation | Details for linking into meeting |  |
| 14 July | Bec Davis | President RHCA | Confirmation of Scott House Bookings for RHCA meetings this financial year |  |
| 16 July | Councillor Gill | President RHCA | Encouraging RHCA meeting with Councillors to discuss our concerns re clause 29 and vegetation block out – also forwarded our submission on. | Discuss |
| 16 July | Councillor Gill | Community Groups | Announcing that Community Grants program Open | Consider/Discuss |
| 17 July | Councillor Gill | Community Groups | Clarification on Fire Clearance Provisions set out by Claire Dougall, Strategic Planning | Discuss |
| 18 July | RHCA Members | RHCA Secretary | RHCA Membership Renewal |  |

Moved:   Jane Reynolds    Seconded:  John Eldridge Carried

Treasurer’s Report

David presented the report.

David thanked Jane for sending out the membership renewal notice and expected that over the next weeks, member subscriptions will be renewed and hopefully some new members will join.

 Moved:       David Maddocks        Seconded:        Bruce Kiloh               Carried

Activity Reports and Updates

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| **Item** | **Discussion** | **Actions, B/fwd** |
| **Actions brought forward** |  |  |
| **Recycling bins** | Recycling bins needed in local parks. Kerry wrote to council asking for recycling bins and was referred to Melissa Burridge Awaiting more feedback  -Kerry left message with Melissa 7 Dec, and asked Jacqui Salter to assist, no response @ 19 January or @ 17 March | Action:  Kerry to continue to follow up with Melissa and see outcome. |
| **RHCA websites** | Website to be updated with committee. | Action: Bruce and Rob to provide to Kerry |
| **Flag poles** | Jane to research protocol for extra pole and flags for further discussion | Action: Jane to research and advise at next meeting |
| **Mailing list** | Caroline and Jane to review | Action: Jane and Carolynn to finalise |
| **AGENDA ITEMS** |  |  |
| **Membership Renewal** | A notice has been issued by the Secretary to members to renew. |  |
| **Red Hill Music Festival Saturday 19 November 2022** | Bec Davis has invited us to participate for example sausage sizzle, children’s activities or food ideas. Committee considered that support of the sausage sizzle is appropriate subject to how it is funded; whether we would have to collect money; and for duration. Bruce and John are willing to help subject to more information. | Jane to contact Bec to obtain more information and report to Committee out of session. Is it just cooking or is RHCA expected to supply food as well? |
| **Station Reserve** | David reported that the construction is proceeding – slab down this week. He remains concerned that Council has not committed to the heritage red roofing. He therefore completed extensive research of 10 stations from the equivalent era establishing that all but one had a red roof and putty -coloured weatherboards. David sent photos and explanation to Elliot Reid Project Delivery Team, pressing for Colorbond “Manor Red”.Waiting for response. | David to monitor |
| **Re-Power** | John reported that he is attending the establishment group meetings. EmPower has renamed to RePower. The group is planning a launch event at 11.30 Sunday 25 September to attract community support and momentum and have a committee appointed. Refreshments and sandwiches will be served. John asked that RHCA send out relevant notices and provide support and promotion.  The Forethought invitation was discussed, and it was agreed that everyone is happy that John has accepted that invitation. | John to continue to keep Committee informed.  RHCA to send out relevant messages as they become available.  John to attend Forethought Consultation (August 5th) |
| **Planning**  **Issues** | The committee commended Carolynn on the submission. David confirmed that in the course of the Local Laws Review, MPS Planning had simply removed Clause 29. Committee members were strongly of the view that this should not have occurred.  It was noted that the McClear Hill application for extension of permit was declined by Council.  There was discussion about Shoreham Road upgrade David noting that this is a Vic Roads controlled road. There is committee concern that the planned signage and other safety measures may in fact be counter productive.  The committee had wider discussion on the proliferation of signage in the district including:- brown tourism signs some of which are redundant; safety and speed limit signs; chevron signs; commercial signage which is frequently at the business entrance, nearest junction and many other locations not proximate to the business; volume of A Frame advertising. The committee expressed concern that the proliferation of signs poses: distraction and therefore a safety hazard; and is counter to tourism and economic objectives to keep the hinterland attractive and rural in nature. It was noted that some 15 years ago Council clearly had a policy and plan to control signage – this seems to have fallen aside. | The Committee decided that a meeting between Carolynn, Councillor Gill and Mr McIntosh should be pursued to reinforce our submission.  NFA on McClear Hill  RHCA to seek meeting with relevant Shire office (Alex Christie) to clarify and reinforce concerns.  Carolynn to identify relevant person or officer at Council to enquire about this issue and if appropriate seek a meeting. In particular the Committee is interested to know what current council policy is with respect to regulation of road signage (commercial and safety) |
| **Other Business** | There was preliminary discussion about the AGM. Last year it was on October 30, online due to COVID. There was discussion about the composition of the Committee and the possible need to recruit more people for nomination onto the Committee. | Planning for AGM to commence in September and thought given meanwhile to the future Committee. |

Next Meeting

Committee meeting – third Thursday of each month in 2022.

Next meeting Thursday 21 August 5.30pm, Scott House, Arthurs Seat Road.

Next Event

CCC – Community Coffee Catchup –

Friday 5 August 9.30am.