

DSRA General Meeting Feb 23, 10am

Swansea Courthouse, Noyes St

Present: Leigh & Liz Sealy, Sue & Steve Barrett, Kate Shield, Dianne & Barry Smith, Mal & Val Innes, Neil Wiseman, Peter Boekel, David Swifte, Hilary & David Cooper, Paul & Paula Hanson, Danae & Neville Stewart, Yon Kikkert, Robyn Moore, Brett & Liz Harrison (by proxy)

Apologies: Danny & Sallee Allford, Gary Stoward

Meeting opened: 10.05

1. Minutes of previous GM

Motion: That the minutes of the previous (January) general meeting are accepted as a true

and accurate record.

Moved: Liz Sealy. Seconded: Leigh Sealy. Carried

2. Matters arising from previous meeting (none)

Reports (deferred to the upcoming AGM)

Reports on projects

3. Swan River Rd boat ramp & jetty upgrade

Mal Innes has been working with Jim Caulfield from MAST (Marine & Safety Tasmania) and Adrian O'Leary (Council) for over 18 months on this project. At this point, he's feeling let down – he believed they had a concrete agreement. Unfortunately, however, the agreement wasn't written down. The arrangement (as per the March general meeting minutes) was to demolish & replace the existing wooden jetty & boat ramp. The budget was \$68,000. The funding agreement was MAST to pay 80% of the cost and Council to pay the remaining 20%. The agreement ran into difficulties when the design was changed to a floating pontoon by the Council engineer as this design is more expensive. MAST need an extra \$45,000 from Council and requested Council apply for a grant in March 2019. The project is on hold until the money comes through from Council. Mal is disappointed at the delay but believes the project will be completed before Christmas this year. He will keep following up. Thanks to Mal for pursuing this project

Motions

- 4. That the current constitution of the Association be replaced in its entirety with the document attached to this notice and entitled 'DSRA Rules of the Association'. Moved: Leigh Sealy. Seconded: Peter Boekel. Carried unanimously Thanks to Leigh Sealy & Brett Harrison for all their work on the constitution
- 5. That the Association adopt the 'Meeting procedures' document attached to this notice.

Leigh Sealy commented that he agrees with the document as a general proposition. However, the conduct of any meeting is in the hands of the members. He didn't want people to vote on the motion believing that it implacably governs all meetings. If necessary, particular meetings may choose to suspend or not comply with all the guidelines. In other words, the motion refers to adopting a set of guidelines that we hope to abide by in future meetings.

Moved: Kate Shield. Seconded: Barry Smith. Carried Thanks to Kate Shield for drafting the guidelines

Any other business

Litter bins — Dave Cooper explained that when he made the announcement about Rosco's bins on social media, he gave the impression of funding via in-kind sponsorship. This was going to be from the company Dave worked for, who also contract Rosco's. In the mean time, Dave's employment has ceased so he is unable to honour the commitment and has to pass the cost to the Association. He wanted to declare it in the interests of transparency. The invoice is approx. \$1000. Dave is currently questioning the invoice as it seeks payment for 12 services (6 empties of both bins) which seems a lot for 4 weeks. He is attempting to verify this.

Paul Hanson noted that it was Council's responsibility to pay for rubbish removal, rather than the ratepayers and asked if Council had been contacted. Robyn explained that committees past and present had requested rubbish bins from Council, with no success so far. Dianne Smith suggested that the 3 Councillors who live in the local area should attend DSRA meetings.

Action – committee to discuss inviting Council to AGM and follow up with Council re litter bins.

Mal Innes suggested applying for a grant to cover the costs. This could be combined with a grant for a shelter shed on a 4x3 concrete slab (kit from Qld is approx. \$10,000 dollars). A grant for \$12,000 would cover bins & shelter shed. Mal has spoken to Council about this and has an agreement that they would erect it. Decision – agenda item for the AGM: the committee investigates a grant from the Tasmanian Community Fund for a shelter.

Bin springs – Robyn Moore explained that 'Bin Springs' are device for Council garbage bins that helps keep them closed so that wind, animals, birds etc can't scatter your garbage. It allows emptying by Council in the normal manner. They're probably especially useful for people who aren't in the area full-time and need to put their bins out a few days before garbage collection.

Bin Springs are offering us a discount if we buy 20 or more. The normal price is \$25. If we buy 20 or more it'll be \$14.95 each (including shipping). Anybody who wants any needs to let Robyn know.

Next meeting - AGM - 10am, Saturday, March 30 at the Swansea Courthouse. Nomination forms for committee positions are available on the website.

Meeting closed: 10.35