

## **Montville Village Association**

### **Minutes of General Meeting**

**26<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

Meeting Opened: 7:18 pm

**APOLOGIES:** Ron Geyl, John & Joan Dillon, John Greer, Jenny Hansen-Read, Bryan McLennan, Lenore Tonks, Alan and Heather Lewis, Alison Rexa

#### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed electronically and placed on the Community Notice Board.

Motion for acceptance of Minutes.

Moved: Pam Magdefrau  
Seconded: Alan Felmingham  
Carried

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **INWARDS:**

- Message from Bob Abbot;
- Black tie open invitation;
- Woodies newsletter;
- Letter from Andrew Powell;
- Invitation for National volunteer week nominations;
- BRCCG newsletter;
- Montville Sportsground & Recreation masterplanning committee - Workshop notes and Contact schedule;
- MCOOC Webpage upgrade and membership update.

##### **OUTWARDS:**

Montville Memorial Precinct Committee proposed changes to draft Heritage Conservation Management Plan to David Gole and Margaret Cook;  
ANZAC Day wreath laying invitations;  
Black tie dinner invitations;  
Request for a quote on kitchen items to [sales@pitcher.com.au](mailto:sales@pitcher.com.au);  
Quotation request to AMS signs for addition of Tennis Club sign at the sportsground entrance;  
Letter to Commonwealth Bank confirming closure of bank account ;  
Heritage business.

Motion for acceptance of correspondence inwards and outwards as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Matthew Roy  
Seconded: Jim Cox

## **WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:**

Eric Andersen.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

1. Move that March Report be accepted.
2. Move that April Report be accepted
3. Advise that the MVA has closed  $\frac{3}{4}$  accounts with CBA and transferred them to MCU. The accounts opened at the MCU are:
  - Everyday Account - \$2,000.00
  - E-Saver Account - \$10,796.97 (4.65%)
  - Term Deposit Account/9 months - \$15,000.00 (6.5%)
4. \$270.00 has been retained in the CBA until all outstanding cheques are presented.
5. Concern over profit – pay to maintain hall (\$6,000.00 for insurance) and sports ground. (Income = \$20,000.00 - \$10,000 from hall rental / Expenses = \$24,000.00 = loss of \$4,000.00.)
6. Confusion over authority to spend: accountability protects me and the MVA. All expenditure must be approved in minutes; small, running costs are approved by the Executive, larger amounts by a general meeting. When funds have been allocated/ approved for a specific purpose they can only be re-allocated by the agreement of the funding body and a general meeting. The MVA has 2 such re-allocation issues currently before it: \$2,029.00 from a school soccer carnival originally given for hall upgrades and now being re-allocated to a projector screen; and \$6,910.00 originally raised to purchase playground equipment for the Russell Family Park which will now be provided by the SCRC so that money can be re-allocated.

Please see other attachment for financial records.

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The Treasurer sought assistance from the membership in relation to funds that were held by the MVA in respect of installation of playground equipment at Russell Family Park. The equipment has been funded by Sunshine Coast Regional Council therefore the funds held by the MVA were no longer required for this particular purpose. However, the funds could not simply be diverted to an alternative use without the consent of those persons who originally sourced the funding.

Pam Magdefrau advised that some of the people originally involved in the fundraising were still residents of Montville and that it would be appropriate to contact them to seek consent to use the money for other purposes.

The Treasurer will contact Stephanie McLennan for assistance in this regard as Stephanie was involved in the original fundraising.

Eric Andersen asked if the MVA had received the money (\$5,000) from council for the revegetation project to which Doug answered no. Eric stated that he would contact Jenny McKay concerning the matter. Diana O'Connor advised that the money would be used to get Barung contractors to assist the project.

Doug Patterson informed the meeting that people had expressed to him concerns about trying to run a not for profit organisation at a profit. He went on to say that last year we ran at a loss. Further Doug advised that the MVA is struggling to meeting costs of maintenance for the sportsground particularly

since Sunshine Coast Regional Council ceased mowing the grounds. Doug indicated that it is possible for expenditure to carry out minimal maintenance of the sportsground could reach \$10 000.

Syd Kirkby advised that communications with council requesting them to re-commence mowing of the grounds had not been successful. Les Gittens voiced disappointment. Jim asked why don't we try to get a sportsground maintenance grant. Syd said perhaps a flood of letters to council about maintenance would be helpful to our cause.

Pam asked about state govt. involvement and Syd stated that Andrew Powell had informed him that such maintenance was not really the state govt's position but such things as water supply, access, and development were.

Alan Felmingham enquired as to the interest we were receiving on the MCU the bank accounts to which Doug responded indicating a higher rate than was being achieved formerly with the Commonwealth Bank.

Hamish Borthwick congratulated Doug on his great work as Treasurer. Hamish then questioned how the acquisition of the office equipment was funded. Leanne Michell explained that the previous Executive Committee applied for a grant specifically to acquire the computer and associated equipment. The MVA only had to pay \$100 from its own funds. Hamish then asked where the equipment was being kept and voiced issues over past equipment. Doug advised it was being kept at one of Ron Geyl's premises free of charge. Doug said an audit of all equipment and furniture was in required for audit and insurance purposes.

MOTION for EC to seek quotes for mowing of the Sportsground for the short term.

Moved: Doug Patterson

Seconded: Colleen Brady

Carried

Syd then spoke on the condition of the soccer field at the sportsground saying that the previous drought then heavy rain had resulted in a very challenging upgrade process and at the moment the oval seems unsuitable. In speaking with Dave Rattray a council advisor Dave offered 4 courses of action and a list of providers. Syd's view was that whatever we do we do it properly and for any serious upgrade we will need a water supply via Dave's advice. For a water supply Michael Glover on the neighbouring property would need to be contacted. Syd then asked all present what was there thinking. Doug said there was a good chance of state grants for equipment and access of water but maintenance would still be a large issue .

Motion: The EC investigate spending options for upgrade of the sportsground.

Moved Doug.

Seconded Pam.

Carried

Les Gittens said that if we had a good water source and amenities caravan stays could be entertained. Joan said she'd visited Maleny active in vans income. Eric asked what advice we've had on weeds and that he would be able to help. There was much talk of the sportsground in past times, attempts to make more use of it etc, what a wonderful community asset it is and it would be a shame to lose.

Leanne said the SG masterplanning meeting had addressed this and would be investigating legal aspects, looking at all scenarios and working towards positive outcomes.

MOTION; The EC investigate sportsground road upgrade spending options.  
Moved: Leanne Michell  
Seconded: Rick Rexa  
Carried

Peter Dallimore said that access road was issue for the woodies and they had acquired quotes.

Pam said that this had been looked at before and that looking at a temporary upgrade is better than more expensive options as it may not always be the access road . Syd Kirkby said the sportsground entrance may change and it would be a great shame to invest in a bitumen road only to have the access and roadway change in the future.

Leanne Michell advised the meeting that the roadway is unsafe for pedestrians and we are exposed to a public liability claim. We do need to address the road surface and determine the most cost effective solution.

Hall Maintenance:

Matthew Roy advised trees around the hall have been pruned and the hall had been cleaned.

Doug Patterson has asked that Leanne Michell form a Hall Maintenance Committee.

Insurance: Doug Patterson has advised of receipt of insurance renewal. Quote will not be accepted until the replacement value of the hall has been verified.

Black tie Dinner:

Rick Rexa advised the tickets were expensive. If you want numbers then make it cheaper. COC had basically invited us serve community better for closer ties.

Rob, suggested shared meetings. Pam said she'd been going to happy hour drinks at the Bar & Grill and the correct time is each Thurs 5:30. COC meetings are 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at Bar & Grill.

NHW: Next meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> May in the hall 7pm

Events: Judith; Thankyou to Ken Lyons and the people who baked ANZAC bikkies. Please support vendors at markets . Margeret cook may talk in future.

Arts connect :. Vendors need support, the book launch in hall this Sat. Gardening on the edge And art and gardens coming up.

Woodies. Harry Wood passed away.

BRCG: Fashion parade was good 500 people attended

Meeting closed, 9:40 pm