

Somerton War Memorial Hall & Recreation Grounds Committee

General Meeting Minutes held at the Hall on 27-6-2023

Meeting Opened: 6.12 pm

Present: Wayne Chaffey, Nell Chaffey, Laurie Chaffey, Marg Fenwicke, Jan Dirks

Apologies: Drue Daly, Carol Horn, Merryl Chaffey, Lisa Hannaford, George Gardner, Jan Moved for the Apologies be accepted second Marg Carried

Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes of the meeting 23/04/23 read and circulated as a true and correct record. Marg moved for amendment be made where the spelling of Drue Daly surname not include an 'e'. This correction was required by the Bank. Moved Marg, Second Nelly Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Report presented and discussed by Laurie. Discussion centered on the fee charged to the [REDACTED]. Meeting supported normal fee to be charged. Invoices made to [REDACTED]. Balance at 27-6-2023 \$12,264.95.

Balance includes \$9,825 from Hunter New England Health for a community project. Laurie moved for report be accepted. Second Nelly. Carried

Correspondence In: emails from TRC, **Correspondence Out** – Nil

Business Arising:

1. **Responsibilities for Hall venue and Hire responsibilities.** Laurie circulated email sent by TRC. Meeting reviewed list. In relation to test and tag electrical items Rhys to be approached to update items. Laurie discussed the possibility of developing a process for hall users' induction. This may include electronic and paper copy.

General Business

1. **Kitchen Upgrade.** Person from TRC who collated local ideas has resigned. Remains a work in progress. Lisa has circulated plans and costing for review to be followed up. Laurie to circulate copy of design to committee for feedback.
2. **Empowering Communities supported by Hunter New England Health .** This project is a work in progress. Waiting for warmer evenings to commence Line Dance gatherings. Meeting discussed the purchase of a BBQ. Wayne and Nell to gather options for decision on purchase.
3. **Light on Honor Board on the East** not working.
4. **Fan cords** need replacing
5. **Picture of the Queen.** Waiting for update of new picture of the King
6. **Survey community.** Nelly discussed circulating survey to identify the community's interest and expectations of the Hall and Recreation Ground. Nell reported that survey to be circulated on 30-6-23. Boxes will be available and survey monkey.
7. **Tennis court** still to be repaired.

8. **Fund raiser discussed.** The meeting propose a Chicken and Prawn night on the 21-10-23. Laurie to discuss with Drue.

ON Going General Business:-

Funding from Empowering Communities for a community activity involving line dancing, BBQ etc. remains a work in progress .This will be organized over three lots of five sessions. Intent is to encourage community gatherings. Events will be free including meal. Plan to purchase a BBQ for the Hall. Yet to confirm a suitable time .

Hall Hire review. To be further discussed

Hire of Chairs. Following discussion, it was decided to charge the following:

Light tan chairs - \$1 -Stacker of 4 chairs - \$10 -Bench – \$1- Crockery cupboard - \$10

Fire extinguisher and evacuation plan. None in place at the hall. To follow up with **Lisa.**

Highway signage indicating public amenities i.e. toilet To be followed up with **Lisa**

Electricity charge. Laurie to follow up with TRC if hall can have a better funding plan. Bill has been forward to **Lisa** to be followed up

Recreation Ground BBQ- The battery is at the BBQ, gas is supplied by ? key to the gas bottle cage is with George. Cleaning. **Lisa** to be followed up to request the people who clean the toilets to clean the BBQ

Tennis Courts: Following points discussed:

Community concern of water pooling – George reported that the first court to be resurfaced at cost to TRC. Currently being followed up

Court access discussed as per following points:

- a. If there is competition tennis event TRC would not cover the insurance. Tennis Australia would need to be approached for insurance cover.
- b. Social tennis insurance is covered by TRC
- c. Committee to determine any fee and conditions for access. Yet to be confirmed
- d. Signage needs to be followed up.
- e. Decision of where to locate the key to the tennis courts is yet to be determined

CWA Tree and plaque. Drue reported that 3-4 Chinese Elm trees to be planted on the Western side of the hall. 100 tree project a work in progress by TRC.

Invoices: Proten Community Committee use of Hall and payments. Laurie to follow up

Proposed Strategic Plan for 2023 includes.

1. Kitchen make over (need a quote)
2. BBQ area
3. Play surround at Recreation Ground
4. white board, screen and data projector
5. Air conditioning

Keys are located with:

Pub [REDACTED]
George. Hold an existing key
Janice Hold an existing key

Wayne Key code: [REDACTED]

Laurie Key Code: [REDACTED]

Next Meeting General meeting and AGM Tuesday 29-8-2023 @ 6pm @ At the Hall

Meeting Closed: pm