



ST HUBERT'S ISLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC

'The Central Coast's Island in the Sun'

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46th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ST HUBERTS ISLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC.

Purpose of Meeting: Annual General Meeting
Location: Cove Hall, The Cove, 36 Empire Drive, Daleys Point
Date: Thursday 9th March 2023
Time: 7.00pm

No.	Item
1.	Present
	Lindsey Edgar (president in the chair) and members, as per the attendance sheet attached. Apologies: Martin Wellington, Julie Antoine, Brian Ireland, Neville Smith, Chris Law, Paul Love, Bret and Kerry Young
2.	Guest Speaker
	Rik Hart, Administrator of Central Coast Council was our Special Guest Speaker (from 7.00pm to 7.40pm). Rik will also brought with him the Director of Environment and Planning, Dr Alice Howe. Rik Hart made a presentation about Council issues and the financial mess he inherited as Administrator, with \$565 million total debt. The formal Council was insolvent, and loans had to be obtained to pay salaries and creditors. But slowly cost savings measures and increase in rates is retuning the Council to financial stability, and the debt position is reducing, but rising inflation is a concern. A list of question on the Island main issues was sent to Council on 6 March 23. A reply letter with all the Answers was received on 8 March 23. This letter was distributed to all attendees and discussed at the meeting by Dr Alice Howe.
3.	Confirmation of Previous Minutes
	Confirmation of previous Annual General Meeting minutes as taken on 10 March 2022.
	Resolved – Moved: Kevin Hill Seconded: Lindsey Edgar minutes adopted
4.	Presidents Report (Lindsey Edgar)
	After 2 years of Covid lockdowns and restrictions, this last year was a time to get active again. The main areas of activity were: 1) Championed by our VP Ron Stapleton, a sub-Committee was formed to concentrate on Canal Maintenance, after Council Administrator Rik Hart confirmed last March that he would release funds for this purpose. The sub-Committee has made significant progress and at our last Committee Meeting it was approved that the issue come back to the main Committee, with many of the sub-Committee members joining the main Committee to keep up the momentum.

	<p>2) Your Committee has continued to liaise with Council and keep residents informed on other issues, including the vacuum sewage upgrade, street sweeping, road works, replacement of trees removed due to roadworks, pontoon licences and the long delayed bridge upgrade.</p> <p>3) Resumption of Social Activities including a welcome pack for new islanders and resumption of Sunset Sips. Unfortunately, the majority of planned events had to be cancelled due to the inclement weather for the majority of the year.</p>
	Resolved – Moved: Ron Stapleton Seconded: David Mason Presidents report adopted
5.	Secretary's Report (Geoff Flynn)
	<p>We now have approx 330 members out of a possible 535 residences on the Island. This is a good increase from last year. The \$20 membership fee for 4 years option has proven to be popular and simple for residents.</p> <p>Social Presence – almost 350 emails addresses are on our database, and we encourage all residents to join SHIRA and provide your email address. It allows us a quick method of getting important information out. We also have our Website, Facebook page and Chitchat page.</p> <p>We currently have 26 advertisers for our Newsletters, with 1 ad space vacant. 12 of these are Island residents. Let's continue to support our residents and their businesses. Cost of Advertising is \$200 for full year, and covers the 4 issues of the Newsletter.</p> <p>Our social activities had been severely curtailed by the Covid restrictions. Our January SunsetSips was highly successful with about 100 attendees. Our next SunsetSips will be on 1st April at Attunga Park. We hope to continue to drive attendance.</p> <p>We are always looking for new ideas in continuing to build our community. So please forward any ideas or suggestions to your committee members, Facebook or via the website.</p> <p>The Secretary would like to thank all members of the Committee. Geoff said he would not be standing for the New Committee.</p>
	Resolved – Moved: Lindsey Edgar Seconded: Grant Russell Secretary's report adopted
6.	Treasurers Report
	<p>Wendy Mason tabled the Yearly Financial report: We are in a very healthy financial position, with total assets of \$29,852, made up of cash \$11,674, Term Deposit \$15688, Shares \$500, Petty Cash \$489.15 and Stock \$1500 (estimate). See attached full report</p>
	Resolved – Moved: Geoff Flynn Seconded: Rodney Blake The treasurer's report as tabled and adopted.
7.	General Business (old Committee)
	<p>The Canal Group Sub-Committee which was formed in early 2022, has merged with the parent SHIRA Committee, by a motion moved by the Canal Group, and passed unanimously at the SHIRA Committee meeting on 1 Feb 23. The combined strengths of both Committees will be thrust into all these Island canal issues. Good progress has already been made, with more to come.</p>
	<p>Constitution Amendment Required Geoff Flynn said under our Constitution, the Committee is to be 4 Office Bearers + 3 ordinary Committee Members, not 8 as proposed. An amendment was moved and passed at the Committee Meeting on 1 Mach 23 that the number of ordinary Committee Members be increased from 3 to 8. This to be ratified at the AGM. Moved by Ron Stapleton, seconded by Kevin Hill Passed unanimously</p>
8.	Election of Officers for the 2023/2024 year
	<p>The outgoing President declared all positions vacant.</p> <p>The Secretary advised there has been 12 properly completed Nomination Forms received in accordance with the rules of the association.</p>

	The President invited David Mason to be the Retuning Officer and conduct the voting of the new Committee. All positions are vacant.
	Election for position of President Nomination for Kevin Hill. Nominated by Ron Stapleton, seconded Rod Blake. Kevin elected.
	Election for position of Vice President Nomination for Ron Stapleton. Nominated by Wendy Mason, seconded Geoff Flynn, Ron elected
	Election for position of Treasurer Nomination for Wendy Mason. Nominated by Ron Stapleton, seconded Geoff Flynn Wendy elected
	Election for position of Secretary Nomination for Margaret Doughman. Nominated by Ron Stapleton, seconded Wendy Mason Margaret elected
	Election for position of ordinary Committee Members (8 positions available) Fully completed Nomination Forms (with nominator and seconder completed) were submitted for the following persons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian Ireland • Helene Cornwell • Matt Grech • Rodney Blake • Susan Russel • David Creais • Michael Goss • Lindsey Edgar These 8 members were elected. Ingeborg Stiefel and Naomi Warren will assist Wendy Mason as a Membership Sub-committee.
	Public Officer (Fair Trading) - any volunteers?] to be Anne Wardell will continue as Newsletter editor, unless any volunteers] finalised by the Ben Hondebrink is managing the Website.] new Committee Lindsey Edgar is monitoring Social Media, being Facebook and Chitchat.
9	General Business (New Committee) Kevin Hill introduced himself to the meeting as the new President. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kevin thanked the outgoing Committee and glad to see the new incoming Committee as ratified at this AGM. • Kevin said they have owned property on the Island for about 40 years, first in Mercator, and now currently in Mooring PI. • He said the Island is a great place to live and we should enjoy it all together. • He proposed that every 3 months he would hold a community meeting with Island residents, this being 1 week after the Newsletter (March, June, September, December). Scott Wilson raised concern that the non-waterfront blocks were not fully represented in the new Committee, as all members were on the canals. Geoff Flynn assured him that SHIRA works for all Island residents, its just that all the canal residents have so many problems with Council's lack of canal maintenance, hence there special interest. Interestingly, we never hear from the outside island residents as they don't seem to have any problems, as their outside neighbour is Dept of Lands and not the Council.
9.	Meeting Concluded and Next Annual General Meeting
	The meeting concluded at 8.30pm.
	Next Annual General Meeting March 7 th 2024

Attachments:

- Attendance sheets
- Treasurers Report
- Council letter of 8 March 23 being Response to Questions for the AGM.