

**North Arm Cove Residents Association:            General Meeting**  
**Saturday, 12 December 2015 at the Community Hall commencing at 10:00 am**  
**Minutes**

**1. Present:** Twenty Seven members, one non-member and guest Tracey Farrant; including committee members Tony Hann, Gary Sylvaney, Susan Carter, Kath and Doug Kohlhoff, Len Yearsley.  
**Apologies:** Maureen Kelly, Stephanie Hunter, Bill Moller, Christine Sylvaney, Moira Hooper

**2. Minutes**

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| Moved: Jan Carter  | Seconded: Len Yearsley | <b>Carried</b> |
| <b>That the minutes of the meeting of 10 October 2015 be confirmed</b> |                        |                |

**2.1. Business arising- nil**

**3. Correspondence**

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| To Glenn Handford, McWilliams (Mayor), Roberts <i>re Caravans, containers etc</i>                     | 19/10/2015      |
| From Glenn Handford <i>re Caravans, containers etc</i>  | 19/10/2015      |
| From/to Ron Hartley <i>re Signs in NAC etc</i>  | 22-23/10/2015   |
| From Lisa Schiff <i>re Caravans, containers etc</i>   | 22/10/2015      |
| From/To Tracey Farrant <i>re Caravans, containers, communications etc</i>                             | 27-29/10/2015   |
| To/from Glenn Handford <i>re meeting with exec committee</i>  | 29/10-3/11/2015 |
| To/from Len Roberts <i>re Caravans, containers etc</i>  | 1/11/2015       |
| From Ron Hartley <i>re Funding pulled from Esplanade link</i>   | 2/11/2015       |
| From Andrew Staniland<br><i>re Dinghy Launching Ramps, no Crown Lands approval – grant “extended”</i> | 2/11/2015       |
| To Glenn Handford <i>re Thanking Council for meeting</i>  | 5/11/2015       |
| To Matthew Taylor, RMS <i>re Dinghy Launching Ramps, Jetty &amp; Boat Ramp</i>                        | 5/11/2015       |
| From/to Indeewa Chandrawansa, RMS <i>re Dinghy Launching Ramps etc</i>                                | 10/11/2015      |
| From Ron Hartley <i>re Changed RFS funding policy</i>   | 26/11/2015      |
| From Community Building Partnerships <i>re Unsuccessful application</i>                               | 11/12/2015      |
| From Ian Cook <i>re Community update</i>  | 11/12/2015      |

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| Moved: Gary Sylvaney                    | Seconded: Allan Woodrow | <b>Carried</b> |
| <b>That Correspondence be accepted.</b> |                         |                |

**4. Reports**

**4.1. Treasurer's Report**

| <b>Report December 2015</b>         |                |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>from 1/10/2015 to 30/11/2015</b> |                |                |
| <b>Balances</b>                     | <b>Opening</b> | <b>Closing</b> |
| Friends of Fame Cove                | 700.22         | 700.22         |
| NACRA                               | 3769.55        | 3849.44        |
| Proj Casuarina Tank                 | 1000.00        | 1000.00        |
| Website cost provision              | 206.50         | 119.50         |
|                                     | <b>5676.27</b> | <b>5669.16</b> |
| Beyond Bank                         | 5676.27        | 5659.16        |
| Undeposited Funds                   | 0.00           | 10.00          |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>5676.27</b> | <b>5669.16</b> |
| <b>Plus Income to 30 Nov</b>        |                |                |
| Donations                           | 20.00          |                |
| Interest                            | 3.83           |                |
| Member subscriptions                | 200.00         |                |
| Website Sponsorship                 | 15.00          |                |
| <b>Total Income</b>                 | <b>238.83</b>  |                |
| <b>Less Expenditure to 30 Nov</b>   |                |                |
| Fair Trading                        | 54.00          |                |
| Website fees                        | 162.00         |                |
| Gen. expense NACRA                  | 29.94          |                |
| <b>Total Expenditure</b>            | <b>245.94</b>  |                |
| <b>Closing Balance</b>              | <b>=</b>       | <b>5669.16</b> |
| <b>Financial members</b>            | <b>=</b>       | <b>62</b>      |

Note: These accounts include an annual transfer of funds for “Website Provision”. This preserves funds for payment of future website hosting and domain costs which are incurred at two and three year intervals.

Moved: Kath Kohlhoff

Seconded: Trish Woodrow

Carried

**That the Treasurer's report be accepted.**

- 4.2. **Firewise** Doug read a report from Ian Cook which mentioned success in creating an Asset Protection Zone around hall, and listing on the NSW Rural Fire Service website as an official safer place; ordering of the tank, pumps hoses etc and upgrading of fire trails in preparation for hazard reduction next year. Ian concluded by hoping that residents have a good understanding of the bushfire threat and that they have prepared a bush fire survival plan.
- 4.3. **Road Map & Street Signage** Thanks to the valiant efforts of Tony Hann, Council has put a sign up (under the existing Cove Bvd *No Through Road* sign) saying *to Point Circuit and Barromee Way*. Not everything we wanted but a small success anyway. The Village Map has now been re-erected.
- 4.4. **Waterfront Amenities Project** Two years after receiving the grant, we still do not have Crown Lands Approval. This is now awaiting response from Worimi Land Council.
- 4.5. **Water Tank project** Gary Sylvaney reported that repairs to the tank located behind the bus shelter at Casuarina Park have been organised. It will have a cleanable top, a spring loaded tap, and a storz fitting which will allow the Fire brigade to fill from the tank. All the hardware has been received, and work is due to start on 17 December. It should be finished by the end of the week.
- 4.6. **Hall Committee** – it was mentioned that the children’s playground is going ahead – the double swing and slide has been ordered and is due to arrive late January.
- 4.7. **Community Site Management Plan sub-committee** Gary Sylvaney had produced a survey of the site which formed the basis for preliminary discussions on Friday November 13 which included members from S355 Hall Committee, Tennis Committee & Garden Group as well as this sub-committee. The consensus achieved at the November 13 meeting was forwarded to Andrew Blatch, Executive Co-ordinator Engineering Services, Great Lakes Council, who made various suggestions which have been included in the draft. Andrew Blatch also confirmed that the current Heli Pad is satisfactory.
- The draft plan includes a new parking area on the western edge of the land accessed via Emmett Street and with egress from Chapman Street, emergency vehicle only access to the new tank to be placed beside the toilet, a series of bollards to separate the play equipment from the tank access, and location of a Village Green across The Ridgeway.
- Bob and Kerryan Griffin expressed concerns regarding parking on the northern end of the proposed village green, ensuring access from The Ridgeway to the rear of the four properties in Eastslopes Way, and sought involvement in the sub-committee.
- The draft plan for the site will be forwarded to Council. Council will then review what we propose and, if they are supportive, add their own contribution before placing the plan on public exhibition. The community will have another opportunity to have a say at that time.
- 4.8. **Fame Cove** Len Yearsley reported on the latest developments with the Fame Cove development. The sub-committee wrote to council outlining concerns about clearing and within two days of our notification, Council had fined the Developer \$8000 each for two breaches. Len pointed out that, because of a pre-existing approval under earlier regulations (for which foundations were commenced), the Developer has the right to build on the cleared site located adjacent to the western shore of the Cove. A DA has also been approved for the main house on the hill and a jetty. The sub-committee requested closer supervision by Council, and raised concerns about breaches of various Acts including Native Vegetation Act. Finally, the sub-committee requested access to Council’s aerial photography so we can monitor the site. Expected by mid-February is an overall plan for eco tourist development – a \$200 million development,
- 4.9. **Executive Committee meeting with Council** On 5<sup>th</sup> November, the Association Executive met with the General Manager, Mayor, Deputy Mayor, three Councillors and Directors Ron Hartley and Lisa Schiff. The meeting explored at some length the difficulties we are having regarding communications with Council and the delays in the implementation of the Dinghy Ramp project. There was strong support from Councillors for the Village Green concept. Also discussed were items

that had been raised in the October Residents Association General Meeting including: caravans, containers etc within the Cove, rubbish dumping on the approaches to the Cove and speeding on village roads. While Council were already taking action on the first of these, there were no easy solutions identified for the other two.

Trevor raised the issue of traffic flow at the NAC and Carrington Road intersection and it was agreed that a letter to Council on this will be written. There was also discussion about the need for a white line on the road at the first hill leaving the Cove which will also be raised with Council.

Moved: Gary Sylvaney  
**That reports be accepted.**

Seconded: Tony Hann

**Carried**

## 5. General Business

5.1. **Guest: Tracey Farrant** Community Engagement Officer, Great Lakes Council – explained her role: facilitating better relationship between communities and Council, looking at future developments and how to achieve plans, and providing training and building skills to achieve the first two. She is keen to provide the link between the community and the Council and requested that she be CC'd into, or advised of, communications. She explained that it was important to collect evidence eg number of occurrences, and photos where possible, and referred to the new system for tracking emails to help ensure appropriate follow up.

Paul Riley suggested Tracey follow up on the three concerns raised today: the Cove Bvd street sign, village green, and the white line down the road.

Kerryan mentioned the poor Council response after the April storms when she said residents were given no warning of clean-up day and so many were unable to take green rubbish to road side.

Tony Hann requested advanced notice by Council of work to be done in the Village.

5.2. **Presentation and discussion of draft Community Site Master Plan proposals** –Further discussion about the draft plan was invited, Len explained about planting fire resistant trees and shrubs, Maria Pickles said there is a broad range of species available, and stressed the need to look beyond what is available in the Council nursery.

5.3. **Drainage** Doug reported that stormwater drainage work at and near 10 Cove Bvd has been undertaken. The drainage work planned for around 110 Cove Bvd is now scheduled for April 2016.

5.4. **Island block – lot 868 Promontory Way** David Crawford drew attention to the fact that the block was up for sale. There was some surprise that this land was privately owned. Information will be sought from Council.

6. **Next General Meeting** will be held on 13 February 2016 at 10am. A representative from Mid Coast Water has been tentatively scheduled as our guest for this meeting.

7. **Closure** The meeting closed at 11.57 am.