

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF
THE MOUNT WILSON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.
HELD AT 'PACKWOOD', MT. IRVINE ROAD ,
ON FRIDAY, 17TH AUGUST, 2012.**

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

The meeting was convened at 7.35 p.m. by Bill Ryan.

2. PRESENT

Bill Ryan (President), Richard Beattie (Vice President), Libby Raines (Treasurer), Moira Green (Secretary), Brian Abrahams, Ted Griffin, Alison Halliday.

APOLOGIES

Kim Gow

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of 15th June, 2012, held at 'Noonameena', Queens Avenue, were confirmed as a true record.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

The following report was presented by Libby Raines:

Statement of Accounts 1-5-12 to 31-7-12
Working Account

Receipts:-

BMCC maintenance	16,883.69
Membership	1,140.00
Sale of booklets	55.00
Interest	297.53
Total Receipts:-	\$18,376.22

Payments:

Alan Gunn Maintenance	2,904.00
Micah Fink	270.00
John Shaw	7,308.00
Oley Media Group - website	238.50
C.W. Print	130.00
A.T.O. G.S.T. payments	494.00
Bank fees	41.00
Total Expenditure:-	\$11,386.12
Total receipts	18,376.22
- Total expenditure	11,386.12
=	6,990.10
+ Carried forward	\$7901.81
=	<u>\$14,891.91</u>

Bank Balance 1-8-12 \$14,891.91

Fixed Term Deposits:- \$18,000.00
 Money held for membership (paid) \$920.00
 Money for weed eradication \$731.00

The report was accepted by the meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Incoming

22-7-12 **D. Legge** – Donation for website
 15-8-12 **BMCC** – Rural Lands Planning Study – Community Consultation

Outgoing

27-7-12 **D. Legge** – Thank you for donation
 9-8-12 **BMCC** – Request for update on village maintenance

Business Arising from Correspondence

5.1 **BMCC Rural Lands Community Consultation.** It was agreed that Moira Green attend the forum

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Each member reported on progress in their areas of responsibility. Refer to the schedule of *Matters Requiring Ongoing Attention*.

MWPA Items

- 6.1 Fire Station Shed.** Planning for development is underway. Still waiting for Department of Lands regarding the transfer of land.
- 6.2 Rabbits.** Graham Thompson has reported seeing rabbits on ‘Bisley’.
- 6.3 Wollangambe Track.** It was suggested that provision be made to ask walkers to report the condition of the track. This will be considered in relation to new signage being placed by NPWS.
- 6.4 Bowens Creek Bridge.** The cancellation of the bush run has highlighted the issue again. Bilpin RFS are working on the issue for the 2013 run. Runners have been requested to make complaints to Hawkesbury Council.
- 6.5 Remembrance Day.** Brian Abrahams reported that Christopher Carey has agreed to do bugle duty. Moira Green was asked to ask Ron Green to lead the service in lieu of the minister.
- 6.6 Website.** Training has been conducted in the use of the Excel program and a future training day is planning for use of the data base. The telephone directory now downloads from the data base so is up to date. Requests have been made for a new printed version. It was agreed that this be arranged earlier than the usual two year period.
- 6.7 Insurance.** Ted Griffin will pick up the files and examine the policies.
- 6.8 Waterfall Road.** Tim Gow has been unable to move the mulch.
- 6.9 Dogwoods in Hillcrest Lane.** These have been removed but the tree ferns haven’t been planted yet.
- 6.10 Pruning of Golden Elms.** Inspection was made by S. McKenzie of Endeavour Energy. A report of the meeting was sent to the Committee and tabled. A new contract for pruning trees has been made by Endeavour Energy, from October. The arborist from the contractors will arrange a meeting with M. Green to examine the trees.
- 6.11 Trig station at DuFaus Lookout.** It was decided that it would be good to have a direction plate installed. Permission needs to be sought from BMCC or NPWS.

BMCC Items.

Richard Beattie reported BMCC latest update following a meeting with Paul Creelman :

6.12 Gutter outside hall. BMCC proposed immediate action to remake the hotmix gutter to achieve a fall to NE culvert. A longer term plan will be a drain under the road from a pit near the turnstile to gutter drainage near the start of Du Fours Road.

6.13 Dump at bottom of Zig Zag. BMCC agreed to clear the site once an appropriate new barrier is installed.

6.14 Farrer Road West. BMCC maintenance has completed regrading to current required standard. P. Creelman will pass on a suggestion to Assets Branch for a review of the road for sealing.

6.15 Road edge washaway. It was agreed that additional road edge repairs are required, especially on The Avenue from the dip outside Withycombe to Church Lane.

6.16 Gutters on Zigzag & outside Wynstay. It was agreed that the concrete gutters need to be cleaned out.

6.17 Saplings on Zig Zag. These continue to be monitored regularly by BMCC. Their roots add stability of the embankment but they will be cut down before growing to be a threat to the stability.

6.18 Roadside vegetation east of hall. Branches hanging over the roadside outside 'Milparra' will be cut back allowing buses and high vehicle drivers to see the roadway at the hall/RFS location

6.19 Vegetation Mt Irvine Road. P. Creelman carried out an inspection of the road condition to determine necessary repair action. G. Spanadoukis has been contracted to use a tritter machine to cut back road growth from the zig zag to Mt. Irvine. Work will start in a few weeks.

6.20 Mt. Wilson Road verges and reflection markers. Vegetation around the posts will be killed with spray to prevent regrowth.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Barbecue at Wynnes Rocks Lookout. Moira Green reported that people had built and were using a barbecue at the lookout. It was decided that a sign "No Fires" be erected.

7.2 Garden Trail flyer. Mount Wilson has been invited by Marketing Manager of Mt. Tomah Gardens to be included in a flyer to promote a Garden Trail through the Blue Mountains at a cost of \$200. It was agreed to contribute with a picture of a general street scape with wording directing attention to the website for garden information.

7.3 A.G.M. A motion regarding fee increase will be included with notice of meeting. Bill Ryan will organise drinks, Alison Halliday cheese etc.

7.4 Beeches outside 'The Copse'. These have been attended to by Micah Fink.

7.5 War memorial. Alan Gunn will be asked to replace the bollards that are presently located outside 'Milparra'.

7.6 Terri Hamilton. As Terri will not be standing for re-election as Ward 1 Councillor, it was decided that a letter of thanks be sent acknowledging the support she has given the community.

7.8 Power Poles. Mark bean has been in contact with Libby Raines to explain the need to replace power poles at 'Wollatukkee'. The use of a crane will require the road to be closed for 5 hours. Libby suggested that people must be notified well in advance. Mention will be made at the AGM. Work will also be done soon on poles through 'Ashridge', resulting in power outages.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The A.G.M. will be held on Saturday, 22nd September, 2012, at 5.30 pm.

The next Committee meeting will be held on 16th November, 2012 at 7.30 p.m.
at 'Yengo Cottage', Queens Avenue.

9. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9.20 p.m.

Signed as a true record

Bill Ryan
President