

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WEABONGA HALL AND RECREATION RESERVE LOCAL COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2023 AT WEABONGA RECREATION RESERVE SHED COMMENCING AT 5.35PM

PRESENT: Dennis Chenoweth; Mia Jenkins; Evon Yule; Garry Mahoney; Sara Rumble; Billy Mann; Shane Thompson; Simon Abrahams; Ruth White

APOLOGIES: Bert Robertson; Howie Webster

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – There were no declarations of interest

QUORUM: Quorum confirmed with nine members in attendance.

RISK AWARENESS: Passed there are no risk issues.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2023

MOVED Sara Seconded Evon that the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd February 2023 be read and confirmed.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Covid Rules

Council has sent a reminder to all Committees advising the policy that it has adopted concerning all activities within its region concerning Covid Rules including Section 355 meetings.

As we are all country/farming residents assisting on these Committees we would like to advise Council that this is inapplicable in outlying areas as it is extremely appreciated by all these Committees to even get workers to help and there are not many, if any, plus the policy that Council is demanding deters nearly all who would like to help.

MIA will follow this up with the Council and report back to the next meeting of the Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Garry presented a detailed and accurate Treasurer's Report. He was thanked by all for his work as Treasurer during the last two years.

The balance at present is \$2,788.50.

MOVED Dennis seconded Simon that the Treasurer's report be accepted and noted.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Mia asked for Howie, due to his absence, that a date for a working bee to finish the plumbing on the Shed at the Reserve be set. A tentative date for Sunday 24th September 2023 has been decided upon.

Dennis advised that funding for the new fence along the road in front of the shed at the Reserve is unavailable for this year and a new application for the next year of funding will be lodged.

Dennis advised that Tamworth Regional Council has requested that they be allowed to have all member's email addresses from this Committee. New Secretary Shane will send emails to all members of this Committee, as a matter of privacy, to ask if they are agreeable and reply to Council on this matter.

Garry asked about the land in Weabonga being Mitchell Street Recreation Ground as to who is confirmed to be responsible for the care and maintenance of this Reserve. Council has advised that it is owned by the Department of Lands for Recreational Water Supply – this is Crown Land and Tamworth Regional Council is to maintain it.

Social Sunday will be the first Sunday of each month – the time to be moved to 4pm however October Social afternoon will be moved to 8th October due to long weekend being the previous weekend.

A report was given concerning the new sign for erection at the Reserve picked up from Council recently. It is still incorrect for the second time with wrong phone number not being corrected.

Mia will follow this up and Garry's phone number to replace the incorrect one.

Sara requested we have our Quarterly meetings on Social Sundays which would be Very convenient for All.

MOVED Sara, seconded Ruth that the Quarterly meetings be moved to one of the Social Sundays within the particular Quarter of each year.

NEW POSITION

Dennis asked if we could create a Committee member to organise some interest in Heritage Grants etc in connection with the existing, now condemned, Weabonga Hall.

This Hall contains a much needed tidy up and is of valuable history and heritage to families within the Weabonga Community. Heritage Signs would be attractive around the village with the history of mining, hotels, police station, lockup, sport being tennis and primary schooling for many many years.

Chairperson Mia called for a Committee Vote from the Committee – the result being

- In Favour – 7
- Against - 0
- Abstain- - 2

MOVED Garry, seconded Ruth that Dennis be appointed Heritage Representative for Weabonga Hall and Reserve Local Committee. He will report on progress and work concerning the task of some repairs to the Hall with some Heritage Grant Funding when available.

The next meeting of the Committee to be Sunday 5th November 2023 at 4pm

Business Concluded.

The meeting concluded at 5.55pm.

