

# CAPTAINS FLAT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## MEETING

7.00PM WEDNESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2010

## MINUTES

### 1. *Attendees and Apologies*

Peter Marshall (Chair) John Sandow (Secretary) Alex Fry, Brenda Carter, Paul Cockram, Elizabeth Estbergs, Anita King, Chris Sandow.

Apologies: Judy Cross

### 2. *Minutes of previous meeting*

Accepted with a minor change to the wording of the resolution at item 6 (Chris Sandow; seconded Peter Marshall)

### 3. *Business arising*

Mtg REF	WHAT	WHO	PROGRESS
21 Aug 2008	Cemetery post holes working bee; 18 July	Committee	Completed
17 Jun 2009	Continue with hall projector enquiries	Peter Marshall & John Sandow	Ongoing
14 Jul 2010	Review s355 recommendations from CFCA to Council (made Oct 2009) and determine if still relevant	John Sandow	JS reiterated the recommendations re rationalisation of s355 c'tees that had been proposed to Council. Paul Cockram responded (see below)
14 Jul 2010	Prepare submissions to Council for war memorial lighting and swimming pool façade.	s355 Wilkins Park Committee	Done but unsuccessful
14 Jul 2010	Advise secretary of After School Care Project of CFCA Annual Ball donation amount	Alex Fry	Done and remitted (for plumbing works)
9 Dec 2009	Seek identity of 'Pathway to Gold' sign maker (carried forward)	John Sandow	Jan Booth believes she has a record of the sign writer. JS proposed that any sign writer could renovate the sign at the Wilkins Park car park. <b>Action: EE to approach "Col" (Steve's dad) to gauge interest.</b>
17 May 2010	Follow up submission of financial reports to Office of Fair Trading	Alex Fry & Peter Marshall	AF reported that the reports had been submitted with a statutory declaration. A negotiated fee of \$329 had been paid.

14 Jul 2010	Determine best rate/term for term deposit, advise committee out of session and proceed with investment of uncommitted grant funds	Alex Fry	AF reported that he had not completed this action. The Committee agreed that a term deposit should be established with the Commonwealth Bank.
14 Jul 2010	Review budget and cash flow sheet at next meeting	All	See Treasurer's report
14 Jul 2010	Consolidate visit to markets by Bendigo Bank representative	Chris Sandow	CS reported that the BB rep Mr John Blue had not responded to her several approaches. BC said that her conversations with Mr Blue indicated he was not enthusiastic about the market opportunity. AF had mentioned the lack of response to the Bendigo Bank Customer Relations Manager.
14 Jul 2010	Approach mural painter for photographic examples of her work	Judy Cross	JC not available.
14 Jul 2010	Write letter of appreciation to Bunnings	John Sandow	Done
14 Jul 2010	Write letter rejecting ARTC proposal	John Sandow	Done
14 Jul 2010	Pursue better outcome for the rail precinct	John Sandow	Done

#### 4. Correspondence

**Out:** Secretary to G Verdon, ARTC (15/7); refusing initial ARTC offer of compensation for demolished ore loader.  
Ms C McCulloch, Bunnings (29/7); thanks for assistance with community garden project  
Secretary to Steve Whan (4/8); updating him on negotiations with ARTC.  
Secretary to Mike Kelly (2/8); requesting response to ours of 24 May re digital TV roll-out  
Secretary to Mike Kelly (5/8); expressing community disappointment with C'wealth response to demolition of ore loader  
Secretary to Mike Kelly (11/9); response to his of 25/8 with further questions regarding the upgrade of the retransmission facility.  
Treasurer to Office of Fair Trading; submission of financial reports  
(Note: Treasurer also reported on his private correspondence with Palerang [Gordon Cunningham] regarding the deterioration of the Captains Flat road).

**In:** Bank statements #190 and 191.  
Dr Mike Kelly (21/7); advising he is "working hard to make the best of" the ore loader demolition but that Ministers Albanese and Garrett had no useful contribution to make  
Peter Bascomb (6/8 email); copy of ARTC letter to Palerang responding to Council's request for evidence that the ore loader was dangerous.  
Dr Mike Kelly (25/8); response re digital TV roll-out and copy of letter from Digital Switchover Technical Implementation Branch

## **5. *President's report***

PM noted the apparently successful meeting of the CFCA President, Secretary and Treasurer with Palerang representatives and ARTC at Council chambers on 10 August to discuss reparations following the demolition of the ore loader. He was pleased that Council had been generally supportive of the community and that initial responses from Greg Verdon (ARTC Regional Property Manager Wagga Wagga) following the meeting had been positive.

## **6. *Treasurer's report***

The Treasurer spoke to his report. He discussed the differing requirements for Commonwealth and Bendigo Banks for setting up a term deposit and their comparative rates, indicating that he had not yet transferred funds to an account. It was agreed that the President and the Treasurer would be the signatories to the account and that it would be set up as agreed at the previous meeting. The Treasurer also discussed the annual budget template and estimates. Some minor adjustments were discussed and the members thanked the treasurer for his efforts in providing some parameters around the Association's finances.

The Treasurer moved that the report be accepted (seconded; Chris Sandow; carried)

## **7. *Community organisations' reports***

### **a. Captains Flat Rural Fire Brigade.**

There was no formal report however PM reported that mattresses had been set alight illegally in the village. The fire had been reported to Council.

### **b. SES**

There was no formal report. JS noted that Fay McCurdy had requested that reports from RFB and SES be submitted to the CFT as a matter of course as they were well received by readers.

## **8. *Palerang-wide Section 355 reports***

### **a. Palerang Heritage Committee**

EE reported that she had been unable to attend the last Heritage meeting however minutes would be available on the Palerang website. Town entry signs for Braidwood and Bungendore had faced some criticism and had not been reviewed by the Committee. JS noted that Captains Flat required 3 of the (less controversial) green town entry signs that had been made at the time of the Kings Highway to Discovery project but that it appeared that only one or two were installed.

The visit by the Palerang Heritage Adviser David Hobbes on 21 July was a useful familiarisation exercise which CS and AF had attended.

### **b. Cultural and Tourism Committee**

The first meeting of this reconstituted group occurred on 21 July and it has met again subsequently. Paul Cockram reported that the planning for Australia Day remained a function of this Committee. The Committee was seeking suitable ambassadors and PC invited anyone to make a nomination.

JS asked whether the Committee had responsibility for advising Council on appropriate cultural and heritage interpretation projects. PC agreed that this was an appropriate task for the Committee but noted that Council was unlikely to find money to support the development of such plans.

## **9. Local Section 355 reports**

### **a. Community Hall**

CS spoke again about recurring water leaks in the roof of the Hall. It is suspected that blocked gutters were to blame but is unknown whether Serge has inspected the latest damage.

### **b. Wilkins Memorial Park**

AF reported that the damaged tennis court net had been replaced (at his cost). He also reported other damage/loss to racquets, etc. The Committee expressed disappointment that a minority of users showed little respect for such facilities.

Anita King will again organise Carols By Candlelight which will be held on 11 December.

## **10. Reports on projects and activities**

### **a. Markets**

CS reported on the August and September Markets. The Big Bake Off was a great success with higher numbers of entries in Adult and Under 12 categories. The Teenage category attracted little interest. Chris Kimball of ABC Stateline had done a good job in presenting the awards and the Queanbeyan Age had given good coverage.

The September 'Shed Stuff' Market was affected by heavy rain and cold weather and a number of stall holders cancelled. Shed Stuff which did not appear will hopefully enliven the October Market. This will need good community support since it occurs on a long weekend.

### **b. Annual Ball**

Brenda Carter tabled the Ball Committee report (appended). In discussion BC noted that the Community Association needs to submit a Fund Raising application to the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing to cover events that include a ticket charge. The application is free.

**Action: PM to review and pursue.**

### **c. Community Garden**

BC tabled the Community and School Garden report (appended) on behalf of Bernie Foy. The connection of water to the site was discussed. This had been promised by Council but had not eventuated. Natural water collection at the site and the question of metering were discussed. **Action: PC to discuss the matter with Council staff.**

### **d. Demolition of the ore loader**

JS reported that the ARTC had responded to the Association after the meeting with Council to say that the CRIA was preparing cost estimates for the works that had been proposed by the Association. Palerang (John Wright) had been requested to go ahead with the purchase of a shed as a temporary cover for the scales but no action appeared yet to have been taken.

JS has proposed to Council that a meeting be held to discuss issues around the proposed lease and that Council could enlist legal support to clarify the various issues of responsibility that would ensue. PC noted that such an invitation could perhaps be directed to Gordon Cunningham in the first instance.

### **e. Digital TV roll-out**

It was noted that the solution to digital TV transmission in Captains Flat appears to be no closer to resolution. JS reported on the latest correspondence with Dr Mike Kelly. **Action:**

**JS to forward to PC copies of TV correspondence with Dr Kelly. PC to seek further clarification with Palerang staff.**

f. Rail trail

JS proposed that the Association become more proactive about the trail given the imminent state elections. He noted that it would be a significant step forward to gain political support for the idea. PM noted that as the rail trail had been presented to the ARTC as the third of a three stage project for development of the Captains Flat Rail Heritage Precinct that it would be wise to get the first stage bedded in first. Members agreed to further consider what action is appropriate.

g. Captains Flat Church – St Lukes

AF reported on his involvement of the Anglican Parish in reviewing the condition and future of the building and grounds. The Parish Council would discuss the condition of the property at a meeting with local residents scheduled for 19 September to discuss the future of the church. A number of members indicated that they would be present.

h. School Prize

BC asked if it was still the intention of the Association to sponsor a School Prize. **Action: CS agreed to follow up on the matter.**

**11. General business**

a. AGM 2010

It was agreed that the AGM should be held in late October. Secretary to confirm the date and ensure appropriate announcement in CFT. A number of potential guest speakers were discussed and a potential auditor was also identified. **Action: BC to follow through on potential auditor.**

**12. Next Meeting**

AGM - TBA

**ACTION LIST**

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14 Jul 2010	Approach mural painter for photographic examples of her work	Judy Cross
16 Sept 2010	Approach local sign writer to gauge interest in repairing Pathway to Gold sign at car park	Elizabeth Estbergs
16 Sept 2010	Establish term deposit as agreed at July mtg	Alex Fry
16 Sept 2010	Review need for Fund Raising Application	Peter Marshall
16 Sept 2010	Discuss water connection at Community Garden with Council staff	Paul Cockram
16 Sept 2010	Forward Digital TV correspondence to PC	John Sandow
16 Sept 2010	Discuss digital TV options with Council staff	Paul Cockram
16 Sept 2010	Follow up Association sponsorship of school prize	Chris Sandow