

BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

Minutes for General Meeting Tuesday 21 March 2017 7.30pm

1. **Opening and Welcome** to everyone especially our special visitors : President - Graeme Taylor
Opened the meeting at 7:33

Attendance: Senan Gunawardada, Judith Dwyer, John & Jennifer Grbic, Penny Harris Jennings, John Jennings, Barry Hyde, judy Hyde, Samantha Tayasmyh, Vesuli A, Viv Williams, Tania Baxter, Andrew Brewster, Angelo D'Amelio , Ann Taylor, Graeme Taylor, Suzanne Brewer, Robin Daley.

Apologies: Cr Leticia Wilmont, Colin Brewer

2. **PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION BY MAYOR OF CARDINIA**

Cr Brett Owen to :

Senan Gunawardada
Judith Dwyer & BMI,
John & Jennifer Grbic,
Penny Harris Jennings,
John Jennings,
Barry Hyde

3. **Acceptance of the General Meeting Minutes:** Motion that the Minutes of the February 2017 meeting be accepted.

Mov. Suzanne Brewer
Sec. Ann Taylor

4. **Correspondence in:**

Alison Howard re our grant for 2017 Anzac ceremony
- Re applying for a grant for 2018 Anzac ceremony

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Renewal of PO Box

Cardinia Connect

BNC-renewal of Hire details& room use agreement

Letters from Brad Battin & Vic Roads re road signage in the area
- Particularly Old Princess Hwy and Desmont Court

Correspondence out:

Banner

Anzac ceremony invites & requests

Acquittal report to Shire for website

- Grant money which we received, and a response accepting our acquittal

Application for 2018 Anzac ceremony

- Hard to get invoices and quotes as it is a year in advance

Email to Eliz Mc Cormack re Banner

5. Business arising from minutes

Mov. Angelo
Sec. Ann Taylor

6. Reports President – G Taylor –see attached

- Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the banner, especially Andrew. Next time we hope to have around 32 pages.
- Anzac service is coming up on the 23rd of April

Mov. Graeme
Sec. Andrew

Treasurer – A Taylor – see attached

- \$395 paid for 350 banners
- Banner payments for advertisement need to be made

Mov. Tanya
Sec. Angelo

Councillors' Report-

Cr Brett Owen

- Need BPA to help council on key issues of railway land for more car parking
- Vic roads to improve verges near schools
- O'Neil road playgroup near the oval, there needs to be surveys done to the local residence, so council knows what to put in the playground
- Skate park for Homepark reserve is still being sorted out
- Councils draft budget is to be released for public consultation
- Kenilworth Avenue is going to start to be developed in April, due to issues with removal of trees
- Angelo questioned about the diamond interchange
- Federal Government is putting up money, but it is not on the radar at the moment
- Council is expecting 120,000 people to move around Minta Farm and towards Clyde
- Brett to have a chat to new counsellor Jeff Springfield to encourage to visit

Community Noticeboard- Monitors April - Angelo May -

(Problem with people sticking notices on wall or outside of display board please remove immediately& discard)

Beaconsfield Banner – Andrew

- Thanked everyone who contributed, it all pooled nicely together
- Next banner will focus on quality and quantity will improve with each edition
- We need to encourage sporting contacts to get involved in our banner
- If anyone has problems with submitting ads, Ann and Graeme will help with this

Website – Tania

- The front page has changed a lot, people are engaging.
- People are linking across to the Facebook page

Facebook page –Tania

- Feedback for the Facebook page – 584 likes, 218 engaging particular posts, 6 new likes in 28 days
- Tanya boosted the post and boosted last months meeting and it reached an extra 85 people
- Recent post was tonight’s agenda

History Report – Ann

- She found 2 good history articles about the Old Berwick views land
- Ann wants to keep on doing history articles
- Follow up stage 2 of the Park on the Beaconsfield Emerald Road
- The Federal Government is giving a grant for the honour board for digital touch screens
- They will be bolted to the ground in the Neighbourhood centre and will have menus to access different resources
- A letter is being drafted to the neighbourhood centre from BPA for permission to install the touchscreen, with the view that they could also utilise the letter for their own resources.

7. Other Business –

Beaconsfield Anzac Memorial Service Sunday 23 April 2017 2pm. **help needed** – car parking, safety officer, collecting chairs, etc.

- Been sending out information
- Vivian will be doing a segment “Animals in War”
- We need someone is to pickup chairs from the Beacy Tennis club, and someone needs to supervise for safety

Heritage Day Festival – Local History Reference group Sun 21st May 2017 Narre Warren
Mechanics institute Hall

2017 Carols by the creek Sunday 17th December 7.30pm at Bob Burgess Reserve

8. Meeting closed at 9:00pm

9. Next meeting: Tuesday 18 April 7.30pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT Meeting 21 March 2017 BPA.

Welcome to all members and guests to tonight's meeting. I especially welcome Senan Gunawardada, Judith Dwyer, John & Jennifer Grbic, Penny Harris Jennings, John Jennings and Barry Hyde who have all contributed greatly in recent years which will be acknowledged tonight.

The first edition of 2017 Beaconsfield Banner has been produced and is on the BPA Website. In addition, printed copies can be collected from local businesses including the Post Office. This March edition was 16 pages and we hope to double the size in the coming editions with more articles and more advertisements. A big thank you to all involved particularly Andrew Brewster as Editor.

The Website and Facebook continue to be enhanced and utilised. Tania Baxter will discuss these tonight.

The planning for the Beaconsfield Anzac Memorial Service on 23 April is well underway and outstanding matters will be discussed tonight.

Further work has been undertaken on the \$10,000 grant from the Department of Veteran Affairs for the Touchscreen at the Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre (BNC). A draft letter to BNC for approval to install the touchscreen will be discussed at this meeting.

In respect of other Grants, I advise:

- A Cardinia Shire Council 2017/18 Festival and Events Grant of \$400 for Anzac Memorial Service has been applied for.
- An acquittal for the Website upgrade Grant of \$2,000 was lodged and acknowledged by Cardinia Shire Council.
- In the latest Connect Magazine, it was noted that the Car Park Sealing and Skate Park at Holm Park Reserve were to be funded by an Australian Government Grant of \$500,000 plus Cardinia Shire Council contribution of \$350,000. Council will consult with the Community on this project and input is required from the Community.

On behalf of BPA I signed an Agreement with Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre for the use of a room for our monthly meetings at no cost. A copy of the BPA Public Liability Insurance Policy was provided to BNC.

GRAEME TAYLOR
President BPA Inc.