Tuggeranong Community Council Inc General Meeting – 3 July 2012 Minutes

Present:

See attendance record of 3 July 2012.

President Darryl Johnston opened the Meeting and welcomed the large group of attendees, including visitors.

Apologies:

Zed Seselja MLA, Gai Brodtmann MP, Greg Downing, Ross McConnell, Bill Reid, Donna Smail, Susan Penn-Turrell, Albert Orszaczky, Rusty Woodward, Max Flint.

Confirmation of Minutes of June 2012 Meeting:

Accepted: Frank Vrins Seconded: Bill Heins

Matters Arising from June 2012 Meeting:

No matters were raised by members.

President's Report (Mr Darryl Johnston):

President, Darryl Johnston presented the following Report:

"Thank you for joining us for another meeting of the Tuggeranong Community Council. I have little to report to you tonight. More information will be forthcoming in sub-committee and other reports. However, I did attend the meeting of the Combined Community Councils that was held at Gungahlin on 16 June. I was joined by Russ Morrison and Nick Tsoulias. The meeting decided on a framework and issues on which the Council will focus its attention. It also decided on the establishment of sub-committees to which the TCC now has representation. Finally, a reminder to all members that the TCC Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 4 September following a normal meeting. I ask all financial members who have attended four or more TCC meetings to consider how you can play an executive role on the Council. A Returning Officer will be appointed and nominations forms will soon be available. So please think about play a role on the TCC and keeping a strong Council. Thank you."

Accepted: Glenys Patulny Seconded: Alison Ryan

Treasurer's Report (Mr Eric Traise):

Current bank account balance is \$14,858.94, comprising of our Operating Account of \$1,862.71 and Investment Account of \$12,996.23. Expenditure totaled \$185.10, with the main items being for the usual meeting and office expenses. Income during the period was \$60.75, comprising bank interest and membership renewal.

Accepted: Wayne King Seconded: Frank Vrins

Late Welcome:

John Armstead and Amanda Bresnan MLA

Sub-Committee and other Reports:

- Chisholm Community Park Committee – Wayne King.

Mr King advised all TCC Members that the ACT Government had announced today that it was withdrawing the land on the corner of Deamer and Heagney Cres (Block 2 Section 590) from sale and will develop and maintain it as a park. Mr King thanked the Tuggeranong Community Council and local Members of the Legislative Assembly for their support. Mr King advised he had received a letter from Prof Chisholm, the Great-Great Grandson of Caroline Chisholm supporting moves to name the park in her honour.

- Planning and Environment Committee

Glenys Patulny advised members of the forthcoming Save Lake Tuggeranong Community Forum to be held on Monday, 9 July at the Tuggeranong Community Centre.

Dug Holmes updated members on the status of community consultation on DV 306. He also reported on the issues and implications for the development variation, such as changes to plot ratio and the open interpretation of development and its impact on existing neighbourhoods. He advised members to provide comment via the TCC website.

He updated members on proposals for a Solar Farm on land on the corner of Mugga Lane and the Monaro Highway. He advised members the land had been the subject of numerous submissions from the TCC for its retention as part of the wildlife corridor and as horse paddocks. He reminded local MLA's that they had stated and supported its retention in the past.

- Community Committee

Jan Petrie reminded MLA's to respond to the list of questions to all local members of the Legislative Assembly. She expressed disappointment that no one had responded to date.

- <u>Combined Community Council Meeting and South East Residents Tuggeranong Association</u> (SETRA)

Russ Morison reported on the establishment of an ACT Combined Community Councils Transport Subcommittee. He also updated members on the campaign by the South East Tuggeranong Residents Association (SETRA) for a Park and Ride facility at Calwell and the push for more My Way ticketing facilities in Tuggeranong.

Police Report:

Sergeant Daryl Neit, OIC of Tuggeranong Police Station presented the following brief report on crime statistics and information regarding other local Police activities during the past month.

- Police attended 788 incidents in Tuggeranong in the past month.
- The number of burglaries, damage to property and assaults has decreased.
- Total of 28 arrests by police for various offences.
- Members of the public have been encouraged to contact police if they see anything suspicious. As a result some juveniles were arrested for car break-ins.
- A number of juveniles (aged 11 and 12) were charged with breaking, entering and damage to property.
- Crime and anti-social behaviour around the gazebo in the Tuggeranong Town Centre has reduced.
- Successful disaster test conducted at Tuggeranong Police Station.

Sergeant Neit introduced the new Southern District Superintendent, Paul Shakeshaft. Superintendent Shakeshaft outlined his region of responsibility.

Questions from the floor:

Members raised some basic concerns, including the following:

- Police numbers in Tuggeranong.
 - 131 in the Southern ACT Region.
- Request for more police patrols in shopping centres.
 - Agree. Patrols are based on an intelligence and targeted approach. Hyperdome and college are prime areas.
- Concerns about hoon driving and dismissive and negative attitude of police when residents ring up to complain.
- Concerned if residents are being dismissed when ringing up to complain about hoon drivers. Police target areas based on intelligence provided by residents.

Update from Local Members:

Brendan Smyth

- Quizzed Minister about the Rose Cottage horse paddocks during Estimates hearings. Government did not offer an opinion saying it was only a proposal.
- Congratulated Wayne King and Chisholm residents on a successful campaign to retain the park. Liberals will move to gazette the land as a park and commence consultation with residents on what they want in the park.
- Ten My Way terminals will go out to tender.
- Auditor General's Report has questioned Emergency Department figures.
- Will support resident's opposition to development on Rose Cottage horse paddocks.

Amanda Bresnan

- Estimates Committee hearings with appearances by SETRA and Chisholm Park Community Committee.
- Restructuring of youth services has impacted on Tuggeranong and Lanyon Youth Centres.
- Lake Tuggeranong Forum on Monday.
- CROWK Forum on the Centenary Trail.
- Greens Submission to the Eastern Broad acre Study supported retention of the horse paddocks.
- Greens also supportive of a Solar Farm.

Guest Speaker – Hawker College Students:

A group of students from Hawker College presented their ideas on the redevelopment of the Tuggeranong Town Centre Park. The presentation was part of their college landscapes and environmental design project. A copy of the presentation is available on the TCC website www.tuggcc.com

Guest Speaker - David Collett - Senior Director Community Services Directorate

Mr Collett addressed members on the proposed plans for an assisted housing development near the Chisholm shops. He presented images and plans of the project. A copy of his presentation is available on the TCC website www.tuggcc.com.

Ouestions from the floor:

Various queries and concerns were raised by attendees, including the following:

- Traffic generated by the new development.
- The number of parking spaces.
- Parking issues particularly with overflow from visitors to the new development into existing park and ride.
- Height and overlooking into nearby homes.
- The impact this development will have on traffic flow around the Chisholm shopping centre.
- Shadowing from the new development.
- The true height of the building in respect of others in the area.
- The location of clothes lines and opposition to hanging washing on balconies.
- Designation of accommodation, what is it? Supportive, aged?
- Why don't you buy the vacant existing building and use the area to provide more parking or extend the foot print for the new building thereby reducing its height.
- Vegetation to block the view of neighbouring houses.

Other Business / General Announcements:

Glenys Patulny reminded members and guests that the Lake Tuggeranong Forum will be held on Monday, 9 July. The next General Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**, 7 **August 2012**, with guest presenter on plans to expand the Mugga Lane Waste Recycling Depot.

Meeting closed at 9.32pm