

Tuggeranong Community Council Inc
General Meeting – 7 February 2012
Minutes

Meeting opened 7:30

Attendance

Welcome

Wayne Moodie - Colonial First State; Zed Seselja, ACT Opposition Leader

Welcome to new members

Joan Coredeaux, Sam Correll, Andrew and Christine Wall

Present:

See attendance record.

Apologies:

Jill Faulkner, Greg Downing, Gai Brodtmann MP

Confirmation of Minutes of November 2011 Meeting:

Apology from Mark Devine added

Accepted: Jeremy Wilson Seconded: Russ Morrison

Matters Arising from Minutes of November 2011 Meeting:

Nil

President's Report (Mr Darryl Johnston):

Thank you for joining me for the first meeting of the Tuggeranong Community Council for 2012. I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and you are looking forward to busy and exciting New Year. I have little to report, except you would be aware of the announcement by Myers that it is closing its store within the Hyperdome and that Lake Tuggeranong was closed due to another outbreak of Blue Green Algae. I note that we have some representatives from the Hyperdome here tonight and perhaps they may provide us with an update later in the meeting. You would also be aware that we have two important deadlines to meet this month for closure of community responses to the Tuggeranong Erindale Master Plans and the Draft ACT Planning Strategy. The TCC had sought extensions to the consultation periods for both documents, so it is important that members provide input to our responses. I can also report that the TCC now has permanent storage space courtesy of the Tuggeranong Community Centre. Over the next month all TCC items and files will be moved into new storage facilities at the Centre. As you would be aware, there will be no guest speaker tonight. This meeting has been turned over to you to consider what issues the TCC should be focussing on in 2012, keeping in mind it is also an election year in the ACT. So, when discussion opens please give us your thoughts.

Accepted: Alison Ryan Seconded: Glenys Patulny

Treasurer's Report (Mr Eric Traise):

Balance at last meeting	6,753.63		Comments
Operating Account		12,044.94	
Investment Account		5,790.01	
Income	+12,213.18		
Bank Interest		40.18	
Grant from ACT Govt		12,144.00	Annual
Membership		29.00	
Other			
Expenditure	-1131.86		
Meeting Expenses		452.00	
Travel		255.00	
Phone/internet		253.00	
Balance at this meeting	=17,843.95		

Accepted: Rusty Woodward Seconded: Alison Ryan

The President noted that Ross McConnell has stepped in as Treasurer and there was every hope that he would continue in this role.

Sub Committee and other reports

Planning and Environment Committee

Deadlines coming up for Planning Strategy (12 Feb). Lots of interest in infill around shopping centres. Separate initiatives looking for comment include

- Green space opposite Bunnings
- Erindale Master Plan (12/2)
- Erindale Bus interchange
- Light Rail submission for Sustainable transport plan
- ACT planning subcommittee on 19th Feb.

Meeting to be held in next 5 days to co-ordinate submissions

Input welcome via website

Notes in Valley Voice on all these issues

Development of city farm still going

Walking trail around Canberra under investigation

Note: John Hibbard an active member of the council died a few weeks ago. Council expresses condolences.

Transport and Social Services Committee

No meeting

Tuggeranong Hyperdome Report from Wayne Moodie, Colonial First State

Announcement pre-Christmas about Myer leaving (now Mid-March).

- Big W coming in upstairs
- New ground floor Mall to street: JB HiFi and Harris Scarfe coming in with specialty stores
- Bus Station move not confirmed – Hyperdome providing submission
- Disabled Parking impacted – will investigate
- Myer working internally to absorb people

Police Report:

Sergeant Rod Anderson, Officer in Charge of Tuggeranong Police Station reported the following:

- Introduced Sgt Daryl Neit who is taking over as OIC Tuggeranong
- January relatively quiet except burglaries, property damage (motor vehicles) and assaults
- More plates gone
- 9th Jan – armed robbery at Theodore, suspect located and arrested in Fyshwick
- Gazebo area opp Hyperdome – youth issues
 - TAMS has done some remediation to open up area
- Questions
 - Fencing around Wanniasa Junior School,
 - Abandoned cars:
 - Public to contact police or Canberra Connect
 - Police check (now tape) and report
 - Rangers sticker car to advise collection
 - TAMS collect within 3 days to holding yard
 - Safe Plates
 - More to occur this year, hopefully with Hyperdome
- On behalf of the council, President thanked Sgt Anderson and presented a thank-you gift for his valuable insights.

Update from Local Members

Zed Seselja mentioned the following:

- Hopes to represent Tuggeranong post-election
- Focusing on local issues
- Policies announced and available

Amanda Bresnan mentioned the following:

- Thanked Sgt Anderson for work in the community
- Exposure Draft of Official Visitors Bill out for consultation
- Bianca Elmier who works for Amanda won Australian 50kg Boxing championship, off to China world finals

Brendan Smyth mentioned the following:

- Mentioned cost of living in Canberra,
 - housing \$100/week more expensive than Melbourne
 - most expensive childcare in Australia
 - Fire services decreased
- Interested in how Canberrans want the city to look
- Questions
 - Why is Canberra so expensive - Highest income levels
 - Supermarkets
 - why is Govt covering car-parks with Supermarkets and expanding floor space without a population increase
 - may be applications for Erindale and Calwell car-parks as well
 - Kingston has direct grant to Superbarn – disagree with direct grant
 - Price wars - who wins?
 - Chisholm Aldi may kill Gowrie IGA which disadvantages local single mums who walk to shop
 - Lottery tickets sold in the ACT goes through NSW with a dividend to ACT

Guest Speaker: replaced by Open Discussion on Council Priorities

Election is on Oct 21st

President is hoping to combine Council responses to target big issues. These are the issues of concern to TCC members (in no particular order):

- General parking esp if Bunnings development goes ahead
- Businesses complaining about all-day parkers
- Erindale
- Multi-level carparks are a good thing
- Loosing car-parking to developers
- Safety of roundabouts
- Disability parking seems to be reduced or size reduced
- Green Bins, reduce tip fees and e-waste disposal
- Charity bins
- Relocation of Jolimont Centre and add visitor information and parking
- Sporting oval costs (1/3 cost of most clubs)
- Establish Debt recovery office
- Installment surcharges on rego
- National licencing and rego
- Failure of solar panel installations
- Audit of overgrown properties
- Lake Tuggeranong
 - Windsurfing community has problem with debris
 - Blue green algae strategy
 - Pump station noise levels
- Express transport
- Southside University campus
- Youth involvement in TCC
- Health – walk-in clinic
- Tuggeranong Creek overflowing into Calwell Carpark –establish wetlands
- Ashley Drive duplication
- Pre-purchase system inspection reports only valid for 30 days
- Light rail
- Pedestrian Safety shared with bikes
- Southern cemetery – Crematorium
- Bike Path maintenance – sweepers?
- Valley Housing affordability and land release
- Motorised Scooter rules
- Neglected town park gardens
- Legalisation of brothels in neighbourhoods

These have been detailed in a presentation captured during the meeting. They will be put up on a web survey to identify what members consider to be the highest priorities and allow the TCC to focus on them.

Other Business:

Greenway Community Meeting – evening Thursday 16th Feb, Tuggeranong Community Library.

Council Committee nominations open Transport or

Tony Gill awarded PSM in January – well done

Counters in Fadden – any one know why

Outside Jail – development sign fallen over

Meeting closed at 9:30 pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6 March 2012.