

**Tuggeranong Community Council Inc**  
**General Meeting – 7 September 2010**  
**Draft Minutes**

**Present:**

See attendance record of 7 September 2010.

President, Darryl Johnston welcomed the attendees, including each of our new members by name, and also acknowledged the presence of Brendan Smyth MLA and our Honorary Auditor, Roy Zacharias. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will follow this short General Meeting, as set out in the Agenda recently circulated to members.

**Apologies:**

Greg Downing, Dugald Holmes to arrive late.

**Approval of August 2010 Minutes:**

Accepted:                      Alison Ryan                      Seconded:                      Richard Hedges

**Matters Arising from August 2010 Meeting:**

No matters were raised for discussion.

**President's Report (Mr Darryl Johnston):**

President, Darryl Johnston presented the following Report:

“Welcome to another general meeting of the Tuggeranong Community Council. August was an extremely busy month and opened with the TCC Federal Election Forum. It was pleasing that we were able to secure the attendance of most of the candidates standing in the poll for the House of Representatives and the Senate. It was also pleasing to see many members of the general public in attendance. I have since received positive feedback from members of the panel. Highlights from the TCC Federal Election Forum can be viewed on the TCC website.

The forum was followed by a Special TCC meeting called to discuss planned land developments in Tuggeranong and the Eastern Broadacre Study. I thank Vice President, Colin Petrie, for chairing that meeting as I was working in Sydney and only arrived home later that night. Members will be aware that following that meeting ACTPLA was reported in the media claiming one of its officers was bullied and intimidated following the meeting. You will be aware that all TCC members are asked to abide by the TCC Code of Conduct at all meetings. The TCC Executive believes that if an incident took place at the meeting as alleged by ACTPLA it may have taken place after the meeting and involved a member of the general public. The TCC Executive has since dealt with those complaints in the form of a letter to ACTPLA, a letter to the Editor of *The Southside Chronicle* and a detailed response in the TCC (President's) column, also in *The Southside Chronicle*. Copies of this material have been circulated to all members and other Community Councils.

Today the TCC Vice President, Colin Petrie, Jill Faulkner, representing Business Tuggeranong and I met with representatives of the owners and managers of the Tuggeranong Hyperdome. At the meeting we discussed our concerns over the number of empty shops within the Hyperdome and the future of the Hyperdome generally. We were assured that the future of the Hyperdome is a bright one and that negotiations are underway with a number of tenants. We were further advised that the Tuggeranong community will see at least 16 new stores coming on line in the Hyperdome before Christmas.

Late this afternoon, Colin and I met with the Chief Minister, Jon Stanhope. This is the second meeting we have had with Mr Stanhope to discuss a wide range of issues concerning Tuggeranong residents. We sought an update on the issues to which Mr Stanhope responded from the original *Talking Tuggeranong* document presented to him in March. We also sought clarification and explanation on a number of issues raised by Tuggeranong residents. These included the following items:



### **Other Business:**

Darryl indicated that the issue involving the ACTPLA Special Meeting mentioned in his earlier Report had been suitably dealt with and related information was provided to members. He informed attendees about the annual Tuggeranong Festival to be held later in the year and the extent of the Council's involvement, with an Information booth to be set up. The Chair of the Festival of Tuggeranong Committee, Michael Lindfield, would be the guest speaker at the next General Meeting in October.

An image of the proposed new TCC logo was displayed on the screen for the information of members and it was generally well accepted. Darryl expressed his thanks to the designer, Steve Gahan from Communities@Work. It will be used for all future promotional material, business cards and on the TCC website.

A Meeting was being arranged with the Combined Community Councils to be held in Tuggeranong in November.

### **General Announcements:**

Darryl provided some details regarding the upcoming "Time to Talk" sessions later this month to assist with planning for the future of Canberra in 2030. Unfortunately, no sessions are planned for Tuggeranong at this stage and this matter has been raised with the organisers with a view to possibly arranging some sessions in the Tuggeranong area. Alternatively, it was suggested that an Information booth be available at the Tuggeranong Festival, or perhaps they could address a TCC Meeting before the end of the year. Further material was available on the front table.

The next Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, 5 October 2010**, with a presentation from Michael Lindfield, as mentioned earlier. Darryl tendered his apology for that Meeting as he would be away overseas at the time.

A short break was taken at this point prior to conducting the AGM and Election of Office Bearers, and the Minutes of that Meeting will be circulated prior to the next AGM in September 2011.