# TUGGERANONG COMMUNITY COUNCIL Inc. Minutes of the General Meeting 7 May 2019

## **Welcome and Acknowledgment**

The Meeting was opened at 7.45pm by the President, Glenys Patulny, with an Acknowledgment of Country and welcomed Station Sergeant Gregory O'Ryan from Tuggeranong Police.

#### **Present**

See the signed attendance sheet.

## **Apologies**

Lee Maiden, Nicole Lawder

#### President's Report – Glenys Patulny

The President stated that it had been a busy month, including writing up and editing the Tuggeranong Community Council Youth Engagement Forum notes. The finished document has been edited and approved, and an Executive Summary is being prepared to send to all relevant people.

The new bank accounts have been finalised, including setting up a term deposit account for some of the Members' Funds.

The President advised that she has been busy writing letters on behalf of Council, including:

- Retaining the Hydrotherapy Pool at the Canberra Hospital, (Note, that there is a petition for this on the Tuggeranong Community Council website); and
- Asking the ACT Government to continue support for Community Catchment Groups.

The President stated that she has attended a number of meetings on behalf of Council including:

- Hosting the Combined Community Council meeting here in Tuggeranong;
- Meeting to help plan the meeting to plan the Territory Plan Review;
- Environment and Planning Meeting with ESPD Director-General Ben Ponton;
- Attending SouthFest Sub-committee planning meetings;
- And on 23 April, speaking on ABC Radio re issues in the electorate of Bean.

The President then announced the next Tuggeranong Community Council will be held on June 4, where we will hear about phasing out single use plastics, meet the new CEO of Communities at Work, and hear about their work, and hopefully have someone come and talk about energy rebates.

Didi Sommer moved that the President's Report be accepted, seconded by Andrew Eppelstun – Carried.

The President than announced that because of the Candidates Forum later, agenda business is being conducted first.

#### Police Report - Station Sergeant Gregory O'Ryan

Station Sergeant O'Ryan reported that overall for the comparison twelve months:

- Offences in Tuggeranong generally decreased by 14%
- Offences against a person down by 3%
- Offences against property down 23% overall
- 1,251 incidents reported in the Tuggeranong area
- 71 Burglary offences last month, down 11 from March
- 48 Multi Damage Offences, down by 12 on the previous month
- 42 recorded Assaults, an increase of 17 over previous month
- 14 Stolen Motor Vehicles, a decrease by 17 over previous month
- Theft of number plates has increased
- 66 other theft offences, down by 3.

In concluding his report Station Sergeant O'Ryan reminded people not to speed, take care at intersections and wear their seat belts, as patrols are taking a vigilant approach to these breaches.

#### Minutes of 2 April 2019 General Meeting

The Minutes of 2 April 2019 General Meeting were presented. There was no business arising from the Minutes.

It was moved by Rob Lovett and seconded by Mark Taylor that the Minutes be accepted - Carried.

## Treasurer's Report - Sed Bustillo

The Treasurer advised of a number of expenditure items totalling \$567.02 mainly related to the Youth Forum. Funds on hand as at 30 April were TCC Funds of \$8,392.92 and ACT Government Funds of \$10,846.03.

The Treasurer also advised that \$7,500.00 has been invested with Bendigo Bank Ltd for seven months at 2.3%.

Moved by Sed Bustillo and seconded by Wayne King that the Treasurer's Report be accepted - carried

An account for payment in excess of \$500 was received, a \$600.00 invoice for the annual maintenance of the website, which approval by the Members at a general meeting is required.

Moved by the Treasurer, Sed Bustillo, and seconded by Wayne King that \$600.00 for the annual maintenance of the website be paid – Carried.

The Treasurer, after having had discussions with the Executive and the Auditor, has proposed a policy to clarify the revenue and use of monies from the Tuggeranong Community Council's Members' Funds:

- The TCC Funds is under management by the TCC Executive and Committee Members (officers).
- 2. The TCC Funds is to act as an equity reserve for the Tuggeranong Community Council Inc.
- 3. This Fund can be used for expense(s) and payables that other funding grants cannot pay for:
  - (i) An expense that exceeds \$500.00 will require members' approval in a general meeting.
  - (ii) Multiple expenditure that are part of a single collection will be grossed up as a single expenditure item.
- 4. Made up of previous members' fees collections, fundraising, interest gained, and donations.

Moved by Sed Bustillo, and seconded by Andrew Eppelstun that the above policy to clarify revenue and use of monies from the Tuggeranong Community Council's Members' Funds be approved - Carried

During discussion there was an amendment proposing that no TCC Funds be spent without bringing it to a General Meeting, but that amendment failed for want of a seconder.

# Community Health and Education Sub-Committee – Beverley Flint Vice President The Vice President, Beverley Flint reported that:

- 1. The residents of Hobler Place, Kambah were concerned about not only an "Alcoholic's Refuge" set up in their cul-de-sac and now the ACT Government advising the residents they would also prepare a house to set up a residence for people with mental health problems. The senior residents of the area were most concerned for the grandchildren they minded and family visiting. The Vice President took up the matter on behalf of concerned residents, and contacted all the regional MLA's and the relevant Minister, Shane Rattenbury. The Minister placed a hold on the project pending an investigation.
- 2. The Vice President has now been informed by Minister Shane Rattenbury of the following: "We can advise that Canberra Health Services and Housing ACT have reviewed the feedbacks received from the community and it has been decided not to proceed further with the mental health supported accommodation that was proposed for Hobler Place."

3. The Vice President also advised the Meeting, that on 10 April 2019, President Glenys Patulny attended Government House, Canberra for the Investiture Awards hosted by the Governor General Peter Cosgrove. Glenys was awarded the Order Of Australia Medal OAM. A wonderful day for Glenys and her family.

# Lake Tuggeranong Update – Matt Kendall, Ralph Ogden and Kim Harris from ACT Waterways and Fiona Dwyer and Rod O'Brien from the University of Canberra

Matt Kendall opened the Presentation and explained how the ACT Government was carrying out a catch-up co-ordination programme to try and get all the users who feed into Lake Tuggeranong to be aware of the pollutant problem coming from their activities impacting Lake Tuggeranong. Rod O'Brien went on to explain how nutrients from external sources and internal sources in the Lake itself create the blooms, and how the tests that they were doing was affecting the Bloom, and some of the successes they have so far. They still however, have a long way to go and only until the end of June to do it, when they have to do a report to the ACT Government.

The Presentation was followed by a vigorous question and answer session.

#### **Bean Candidates Forum**

After the Lake Tuggeranong Update, the Meeting adjourned for the Coffee Break followed by the Bean Candidates Forum. The seven candidates for the upcoming election were invited to attend, three did not appear. Each candidate had five minutes for a presentation followed by questions from the floor.

This Forum was not recorded.

The Meeting concluded at 10.15pm.