

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY MEETING – 4 JULY 2023

WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The meeting was opened at 7:34 pm by President, Glenys Patulny with an acknowledgement of country and welcome to participants.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Since last meeting I have been heavily involved in the following activities:

- Attended –
 - Combined Community Councils meeting on 29 June – Discussions included Media policy, Planning Reform, NBN campaign, Independent Planning Advisory Service report.
 - SouthFest meeting on 10 June.
 - With Vice President, Jeff – The Future of Government Digital Transformation Conference - 21 and 22 June.
 - Environment and Planning Forum (EPSDD) on 22 June.
 - Budget Briefing on 27 June.
 - Volunteering ACT's government consultation on Blueprint for Mental Health Sector consultation on 19 June.
- Received letter from Senator David Pocock re NBN rollout in Canberra suburbs.

- Future Speakers

August - Daniel Iglesias speaking on Urban Open Spaces Land Management Plan, also information on the new Container Deposit Scheme Expansion.

POLICE REPORT

Apology from Inspector Rod Anderson, but he did advise that there has been a decline in local crime for year to date.

MP/MLA UPDATES

- Mark Parton

- He has been focused on advocating for better transport facilities for Tuggeranong.
- He is keeping an eye on the proper transition of staff and management of the Calvary Hospital into the Northside Public Hospital
- He is concerned about the cost blowout and the government not heeding the advice of the National Planning Authority's on procurement.
- He is also looking forward to chairing the parliamentary Committee Estimates hearing this month.

GUEST SPEAKER(S)

- Transport Canberra and City Services Update - Minister Chris Steel

The Minister provided information and progress details on the following items:

- Adopt a Park program.
- Big investment in housing and land release
- Lighting around bus stops
- New Health Centre for Lanyon
- More money for mowing
- Consultation on concept design for Lanyon Market Place and Calwell Shops - closes 21 August.
- Improved lighting, seating planned.

- Signalised interaction going into Lanyon Marketplace
- Calwell shops - improved planting, reservicing carpark
- Tuggeranong Foreshore improvements will start in a few months.
- Lanyon Dog Park upgrade
- Play spaces at Gordon
- Road Projects - Monaro Highway - Lanyon flyover

This was followed by several transport related questions from the TCC committee and the audience, which were suitably addressed by the Minister.

- Proposed Changes to Canberra's Waste Management Plant at Molonglo - Patty Chier, Senior Planning Engineer at Icon Water

- Spoke about different processes to deal with our sewerage waste from burning (2 furnaces), band screens (bioreactors), chlorination, and membrane bioreactor.

The speakers spoke of the reason for improvement - some equipment getting older and the need to cater for Canberra's expected future larger population. Benefits include:

- Smaller footprint, less materials
- No additional treatment steps needed downstream.
- Mature proven technology
- Will support future GHG mitigation technology.
- Gasification produced bio charge, which can be used for farming, etc.
- Will capture more carbon so less goes into the air.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Apologies: Rod Anderson, Robyn Rofe, Carol Vincent, Nicole Lawder.

Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes were accepted by Albert Orszaczky and Harvey Bell.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer overseas at present and a report will be presented with next month's report.

Sub Committee Reports

- Environment and Sustainability Sub-committee - Didi Sommer

- Urban Open Spaces Management Plan released.

- SouthFest Sub-committee - Glenys Patulny

- Have approached local club for additional funding.

- Planning and Transport Sub-committee - Harvey Bell

- DAs for Chisholm shops rejected but owners are applying to the Tribunal.
- Working on updating Strategic Plan for TCC projects.

- Community Health and Wellbeing Sub-committee - Glenys Patulny

- Government is organising some community citizen panels from a range of different demographics.

Meeting closed at 9:30 pm. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 1 August.