

Woomelang and District Development Association

Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday June 25th 2019

Place: Woomelang Multi-Purpose Centre

Time: 18:00

Present

Rick Johnston	Monica Outen	Trish Fraser
Mark Keenan	Gwenyth Barbary	Joe Collins
Jason Collins	Kaye Collins	

Apologies

Lisa Molina	Marianne Ferguson	Simon Barbary
Wendy Reiss	Grant Kelly	Brydie Kelly
Mark Burt	Travis Mitchell	Kim Collins

That apologies be accepted:

Moved: Mark Keenan

Seconded: Joe Collins

Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved: Monica Outen

Seconded: Gwenyth Barbary

Correspondence:

Notification of finalisation of Look Over the Farm Gate grant

In: Emails from Marianne Ferguson re a) meeting on Thursday at Café and b) proposed town signs.

Out: Final version of the Fuel contract signed and returned to SGH with all our amendments.

Business Arising:

1. Cronomby Tanks pump – Rick reports that it now looks more likely that we will use the Mildura option; he has tried to work with Brad but it isn't looking good.
 2. Mystery funds that arrived in the account turned out to be for a grant for the pool; these funds have been transferred to the proper place.
 3. Landcare process is ongoing – there is some transfer in hand which is taking a while. Funds to cover the cost of the pump are still available.
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4. The acquittal of the Shearing Shed grant is ongoing – awaiting Dave Woodbridge's return for receipts.

5. Look Over the Farm Gate acquittal process is now complete and the funds paid in; Monica's invoice is paid. The project is complete.

General Business:

1. The diesel at the fuel station is having problems on frosty mornings – although the pump is working, no fuel is transferred until the day warms up a bit. Rick will contact SGH about a sign for the bowsers to let people know.

2. Combine Corner

Monica notes that while our grant application to get the front garden extended wasn't successful, the work still needs to be done.

We need more blue metal to extend the gravelled area to the borders, and on the other side of the concrete area. Tim Conway has costed this at around \$3K.

We need more tables/seats for under the shelter; the Hopetoun Men's Shed makes these for around \$800.

We need to install some kind of blind system on the west side of the shelter to stop dust, late afternoon sunlight and heat.

The shrubs in the garden need pruning in the next few weeks.

We need a toilet sign at the front of the shelter or the front of the store – Monica reports that many people can't seem to find it. Mark suggests a sign in the Store window?

3. Proposed Town signs

Copies of the proposed signs sent by Marianne were passed around. It was felt that the photo of the Shearing Shed could be better; it could show the setting and the newly renovated race.

The meeting felt that there weren't enough people in attendance to represent the town; it was also felt that this might not be the town's decision, since the Shire is doing these signs.

Trish will pass the comments to Marianne on Thursday and ask about the potential to use a different photo; also to ask what other photos she had collected. Trish will also ask Marianne if it's okay to put the print-out up asking people for their opinions.

Trish is to send an SMS out asking people to submit other photos of the Shearing Shed, if Marianne agrees.

4. Fundraising

Monica has several ideas for fundraising and community-building, including tours, barbecues and others. She asked the meeting if it was okay to go ahead with some planning; the meeting responded that it is fine, and that people are happy to help.

5. Federal project funds via Shire

Joe Collins reported on a meeting with Yarriambiack Shire and representatives from each town to ascertain how the Federal grant of \$1 million per shire could be spent; he will be collecting

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data from all local organisations on their needs for if and when the funds are allocated. He notes that he is completing a re-application for the FRRR grant for the Endangered Species project; if this funding application fails, perhaps the federal funding could be used for this project.

Federal funding, if it arrives, must be spent by December 2019.

6. Bank accounts

Now that we are keeping all three accounts, Monica proposed that we re-purpose them, and the meeting agreed:

Fuel account – now to be Fundraising;

Shop account – to be both Store and Fuel;

General account – everything not covered by the other accounts.

7. Ali Cupper event upcoming

Joe reports that Ali Cupper (State Member for Mallee) will be launching a website from Woomelang some time soon – Joe will keep us informed.

8. Monica reports that the Sea Lake paper had a half-page article last week about the MalleCMA visit to Cronomby Tanks. She also reports that there's a video which we can link to for the website – Trish to follow up. The meeting discussed putting a screen up in the shop with a revolving promo video including the MalleeCMA video. Mark K offered a screen he no longer needs, Trish may have a surplus computer; they will follow up.

Meeting Closed at: 18:55

Next Meeting: Tuesday July 23rd 6pm