

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE PEARLY BEACH RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION HELD AT 88 CREST ROAD, PEARLY BEACH, ON FRIDAY 15 APRIL, 2016, AT 10H00

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and then opened in prayer. On behalf of the committee, she congratulated Pete Burton-Moore on his upcoming 60th birthday.

PRESENT : Messrs Peter Burton-Moore Jason Stonehewer
& Cllr Dudley Coetzee (*ex officio*)

Ms Shirley Coetzee, , Isolde Smith, Nelia Hurter,
Vivienne Burton-Moore

APOLOGIES : Messrs Mike Lamb & Dave Kunneke

SPECIAL ADDRESS BY NICO OPPERMAN

Nico Opperman reported back as the SAPS Liaison and apologized for the opening of the PAM meeting held the night before. He reported that 2 people had been arrested, 4 parolees were being monitored by the police, and 36% of burglaries were due to owner negligence. It was also stated that all attempted burglaries must be reported as the police can profile criminals with this information. Nico stated that a block watch should be instituted in the village as this is effective in other areas in the Overstrand.

Ten student police officers were being trained at the moment and would be deployed in Gansbaai from October 2016. Gangsterism and drugs remain a problem in Pearly Beach. Shirley asked that Nico address the next PBRPA management committee meeting with more feedback.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Shirley requested that two items, namely the Mission Statement and the Criteria concerning the bestowing of Honorary Life membership be discussed at the May meeting, as these had been raised by Mike Lamb and he was not present at this meeting. Mike had emailed his ideas regarding a draft Mission Statement for the PBRPA which had been circulated via email to the committee prior to this meeting.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES 11 MARCH 2016

Mike Lamb had requested that the previous minutes be amended under the heading Fire Hazards to read: **"It was suggested that Stuart Thomson be encouraged to join the Pearly Beach Ratepayers' Association."**

With this amendment the previous minutes were approved. Proposed by Nelia and seconded by Isolde.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Shirley commended Dave on his conscientious commitment to the maintenance of infrastructure in Pearly Beach.. Isolde mentioned that there were a number of signs that are missing. Shirley asked her to send an email outlining the problem areas.

Pearly Beach Affaire:

Jason stated that the Conservancy had not yet set a date for their fund raiser and was that they were happy to join the Ratepayers' Affaire. As the Conservancy wanted the cost of the liquor license to be excluded from their fund raising it was suggested that the Conservancy do their own thing. We still have time to discuss and come to an agreement. A date for the Affaire would be set at the next meeting. Cllr Coetzee suggested Tuesday, 20 December, as a tentative date.

Building Developments:

Nelia submitted a list of developments for the period February – March 2016. A house in Arcadia Street which is in the process of being renovated was not reflected on the list and Shirley requested Nelia to investigate and report back to the meeting in May.

Village Green:

Jason stated he would follow up with Noemsie regarding the dumping of garden refuse on the boundary of the green. She had also mentioned that there was a burst water pipe on the village green itself. Jason added that the septic tank looked swampy and the grass was very long. Shirley would request that the pipe be fixed and that the municipality ensure that the tank is pumped out and that the grass is mowed.

Cllr Coetzee mentioned that law enforcement would be checking on estate agency boards as by law, home owners are only allowed 2 per site. The fine issued would be for the home owner's account.

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Jason mentioned that he had received 2 complaints from swimmers/surfers who had had been interfered with by fisherman at Castle Beach. Isolde responded that there was no sign indicating prohibiting of fishing. Cllr Coetzee was in the process of attempting to get Castle Beach declared a Blue Flag Beach in which case fishing would be prohibited in the swimming area over the holiday periods.

Fire Hazards:

Jason stated that a fire break on the sea side of Charlie van Breda Drive would not be advantageous as the road already created a fire break. At Stuart Thomson's request, Jason also advised that he was also prepared to assist him in an advisory capacity with regard to identifying properties which are a fire hazard. This information would be passed onto the RPA committee. Shirley requested that this matter be treated as a Conservancy issue and that the two Associations liaise with one another.

Jason further informed the committee that at the last Conservancy meeting, a unanimous decision was taken against fireworks being allowed at Castle Beach on New Year's Eve. Vivienne responded that she has received several responses to the fireworks survey with 17 against and 14 in favour at the time of this meeting. A final report back will be given at the May management committee meeting.

FINANCE AND MEMBERSHIP:

Membership had increased from 29 to 56 at the time of the meeting. Peter had nothing further to report on the status of the finances.

MATTERS REFERRED BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR

Cllr Coetzee summarized the expected increases in municipal rates and tariffs for the coming year.

CONSERVANCY MATTERS

Jason confirmed that a Conservancy meeting would take place the following day.

GENERAL

With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was closed at 12h24. The next management committee will take place on Friday, 20 May, 2016 at the Lambs home, Inn Ya Neni, 25 Charlie van Breda Drive, Pearly Beach.

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY

DATE