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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Monday 04 February 2019, at Nimbin Law

Meeting commenced 1735hrs

Acknowledgment of Country

- 1. MINUTE TAKER:** David Spain
- 2. COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Diana Roberts [President], Theresa Biscoe [Vice President], Peter Hughes [Treasurer], David Spain [Secretary], Stephanie Seckold, Cat Anderson
Apologies: Kylie Cain,
- 3. CHAIRPERSON:** Diana Roberts
- 4. NON-CONTENTIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS / CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** Nil
- 5. MINUTES OF LAST COMMITTEE MEETING :**

The chairperson traversed the draft minutes of last committee meeting on 03-12-2018.

Diana / Stephanie	That the draft minutes of 03-12-2018 be accepted.	Carried
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6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM LAST COMMITTEE MINUTES :

Drone & 360⁰ Photography: Diana met with Matt. The drone vision is of the main street, not the general locality. Because of the drought, Matt has not supplied a sample. However, outlying businesses can be linked in (enabling view of business details & visual operation) by clicking on a district map. Item deferred.

WTNK: The proposed product includes an eco-camping guide prepared by Mim Handley of Eco camping. Dave Hyatt has offered to subsidize the printing. We await LCC's consent to release of \$2000 from the SBVRL funds, being our contribution.

Website: Biskit is meeting Nell tomorrow to work on data entry (business names & contacts etc., update the committee details and improve the photo gallery. The admin keys & domain name will be transferred from Nell to Biskit obo NCOC.

Walking Trail: Diana met with LCC and glimpsed their legal advice on access rights for the Right of Way [ROW]. LCC would not give us a copy but it appeared quite favourable. Some of the affected landowners are quite abusive but they purchased with knowledge of the ROW. There is no point in Nimbin groups committing to planning & arrangements unless LCC will enforce the ROW.

Roots Festival: The date has been changed to 2nd week in September. It will be based in hall. All NCOC members are to be encouraged to sponsor and to avoid presentation of competing events.

Diana / Stephanie	That NCOC apply for a \$1000 Roots sponsorship package	Carried
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Mural Tins: Biskit to empty & replace.

NLRE Mural: Elspeth to start mural above NLRE when Julie returns.

Village Entry Sign: The paint on roadside sign at Bush Factory needs touching up. Debbie (original artist) has agreed Stephanie can do it. Stephanie to supply a quote.

Unwanted Street Furniture: Concerns footpath use between Hemp Bar & Art gallery, in front of tile mural. Some citizens frequent this area and drag in old furniture or use milk crates. They can be rather daunting to walk past and are said to try to sell drugs or torment young women. NNIC cannot agree on action and NAG has mixed opinions. LCC (via its contractor Jungle Patrol) removes the ‘furniture’ as it appears but is under significant funding constraint. Michael wants LCC to erect a permanent wooden bench on each side of the mural. Gallery wants no benches and all ‘furniture’ gone. Hemp Bar has approval for 4 tables & 20 chairs on footpath, but these rights pertain to footpath in front of Hemp Bar, so ‘sprawling’ them into the mural area is legally fraught.

7. CORRESPONDENCE:

The secretary tabled a spreadsheet of correspondence:--

To / From	Item	Outcome
Small Business Safety Program	2 hour training	Invite to next GM

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE: Nil

9. TREASURER’S REPORT

The treasurer advised that he had paid \$1300 to NCCI as part of the mural program. He tabled a Financial Report.

Diana / Steph	That the financial report be adopted	Carried
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10. APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Nil.

11. AWNING & MURAL LIGHTING OPTIONS

The equipment options supplied by RPC are difficult for a layman to distinguish, but they all appear to supply hard white light not soft light for ambience. This latter is especially preferred for under-awning tho’ maybe not for mural spot-lighting. The project has changed hands at RPC, manager of the project, from Guy to Fabien and now to Peter so liaison has become confused and preferences lost. Biskit to talk to RPC and insist that NCC & NCOC be included in the conversation.

12. NCC SCULPTURE GRANT: NCC has applied to the Australia Council for a grant to establish a “sculpture quad” in between buildings at the old school. Secretary to supply a letter of support.

13. WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR MARDIGRASS: There will be detailed notices at specific sites. North East Waste will recycling. Steph proposed a simple handout. All the organizers ask of NCOC is that we improve village entry signs. Steph mentioned that the EPA run a “Bin Trim” project and will advise businesses on recycling and supply equipment & signage; she will contact them re a future GM presentation.

14. TOWN PLANNING DEVELOPMENT ISSUES: NAG has formed a group to monitor DAs. Citizens only have a say at proposal (exhibition) stage and may be ignored. LCC is bound under State instruments; it is limited in what it can do and must state reasons; its planners do their best. The big development up Gungas Road has clear-felled an entire slope, with no known community conversation. The MO up Crofton Road is a business development and a recipe for disaster, but is beyond NCOC’s jurisdiction. NCOC can request planning consultation in main street of village but not beyond. Only two areas are earmarked for rural residential, being Redcote’s Farm north from Bush Theatre and Clarrie Rose’s at old mill site. The community can only influence the style of such developments, not their location, and community submissions are vital. Redcote Farm has been allowed to tap into the village sewerage system, and to increase its density, because there is technical capacity so the planners cannot constrain it. Thus the “lowest common denominator” prevails.

15. General Meeting: To be held on Monday 18 March 2019. Biskit to book B+B hall and arrange for Small Business Safety to address. A second speaker is possible. David to notify membership. Diana to mention in NGT “Chamber Chat” and Nimbin Hook-Ups. Steph to arrange modest catering.

Next NCOC Meeting: Committee: 5.30pm Monday 04 March 2019 at Nimbin Law
 General Meeting: 6.00 pm Monday 18 March 2019
 Committee: 5.30pm Monday 01 April 2019 at Nimbin Law