Snells Beach Ratepayers and Residents Association – SBRRA

July Minutes of AGM meeting – Tuesday 07 July 2020 7pm

Betty Paxton Room Mahurangi East Community Centre

Present: 71 people present incl: Greg Sayers AC Rodney councillor, Beth Houlbrooke RLB deputy chair, Tim Holdgate RLB, Steve Garner RLB

Apologies: Mark Dobson, Peter Caccia-Birch, Ray Bull, Simon & Marilyn Owens, Chas Benest, Robyn Duffy, Steve Popham, Mark Stallworthy, Dave Parker, Dorothy Hodges, Mike & Christine Hodges, Larraine Buswell, Bev & Phil Rowe

Previous AGM minutes - Confirmed Maurie Hooper. Seconded Diane Taylor

Matters arising: - Any matters arising will be covered at the bi-monthly meeting to follow. However, Dave Parker was given permission to address this meeting as he was unable to stay for the bi-monthly meeting. He announced that the Mahurangi River Restoration Trust <u>http://www.mrrt.co.nz/</u> had just been given 4 million to complete the dredging of the Mahurangi River. The dredge will return soon and complete the dredging of the town basin. It is hoped that dredging will be done all the way down to Dawson's Landing. Another \$5 million has also been given for riparian planting and fencing along the river to prevent resilting.

He also mentioned that the Highfield Garden Reserve and Donkey Sanctuary are looking for new volunteers. If you can help contact Peter Caccia-Birch 09425 6640 or Peter Culing 09425 5766

Chairpersons report: Mark Dinniss read his annual report – **see attached**. Acceptance of report moved by Mark Dinniss. Seconded Kay Flower.

Financial Report: Mark Dinniss presented statement of the annual accounts as Steve Popham was unable to attend. Audited by Estelle Martin. **See attached.** Acceptance moved by Mark Dinniss. Seconded June Turner.

Election of Chairman: Eileen O'Loan took the chair to call for nominations. Mark Dinniss nominated by Kay Flower, seconded by Maurie Hooper. No further nominations received. Mark Dinniss elected to this position.

Election of Secretary: Eileen O'Loan nominated by June Turner, seconded by Diane Taylor. No further nominations received. Eileen O'Loan elected to this position.

Election of Treasurer: Paul Shanahan nominated by Maurie Hooper, seconded by Eileen O'Loan. No further nominations received. Paul Shanahan elected to this position.

Election of committee members x 4: Maurie Hooper and Kay Flower re-standing. Nominated by Eileen O'Loan . Seconded by Alison Coates. Peter Beekman nominated by Maurie Hooper seconded by Eileen O'Loan. Nikki Matthews nominated by Maurie Hooper, seconded by Kay Flower. No further nominations received.

New committee members: Maurie Hooper, Kay Flower, Peter Beekman, Nikki Matthews

Chairman vote of thanks: Mark Dinniss thanked the retiring committee members –Diane Taylor, Robyn Duffy and Steve Popham for their service to the community and SBRRA.

Mark Dinniss also gave a vote of thanks to Lesley Leversha who is retiring from the Snells Beach Neighbourhood support co-ordinator role after many many years of service.

Appointment of an auditor: Estelle Martin nominated by Mark Dinniss, seconded Yvonne Pearce. All agreed. Estelle Martin elected to the position.

Annual subscription 2020-2021: Motion to remain at \$10.00 per household by June Turner. Seconded Margaret Faed. All agreed. Motion carried. Mark explained that it has been a custom that new members joining early in the new year are given membership until the AGM of the following year

AGM closed @ 7.26pm. The bi-monthly meeting of SBRRA then took place.

Attachments x2

1. Chairman's report 2020 Mark Dinniss

The past financial year has seen SBRRA involved in a lot of diversified activity and finished with an almost bizarre ending due to the international health crisis.

The year began with the installation of the CCTV security camera on Mahurangi East Road. It was fitting that, after a steeple chase of hurdles to jump and hoops to go through, even the installation and commissioning continued in the same vein. However, finally after being up and running and identifying several vehicles of interest, the Police were delighted with the very high-quality pictures it was able to provide, assisting in the apprehension of the alleged culprits in the aggravated robbery of Snells Beach Liquorland.

The development at Boathouse Bay has continued to demand a lot of scrutiny and contact with Council, in an attempt to mitigate the raping of our Snells Beach shoreline. After being fobbed off for almost 3 years, with the aid of our Councillor, Greg Sayers and input from Beth Houlbrooke we finally had a meaningful meeting in January with highly influential Council staff. Some problems with the dune construction, highlighted by us for some time, were acknowledged and investigated further. Now, through abatement notice, demands have been made to re-size/shape and plant to the approved plan by 31st July this year. Our very strong, ultimate request to Council is, that a reef and dune structure be built further seaward which will not only add considerable high-water roosting and nesting areas for the shorebirds (which have been lost) but also protect the seafront and housing development from inevitable erosion. The battle on your behalf in this regard, will continue.

Monitoring of erosion events effecting our foreshore and discussion with Council experts where necessary is an ongoing focus. We look forward to a presentation to you all by Council expert Paul Klinac and his team in this regard, as soon as it can be rescheduled. It was to be immediately following the AGM.

The committee is investigating the need, desirability and best location for some adult exercise equipment. This is in response to suggestions and requests from the public and an offer to gain sponsorship funding for this project.

Another project being worked on is creating and placing information signage about the many shorebirds which either live at, or visit Snells Beach. With a better understanding of those bird's place in our community we hope that some of the less tolerant people and their canine friends will give them some consideration.

The Walkways sub-committee of SBRRA, having completed the construction of the first stage of the Snells to Warkworth trail, has now been registered as an Incorporated Society in its own right. The Mahurangi Trail Society Inc. is now stand alone and can work in affiliation with the Matakana Coast Trail Trust, a charitable trust, allowing donations to be channelled as tax deductible. Something which we were not able to do.

We have continued to lobby for improvement of Hill Street intersection, Matakana Link Road and other major roading projects which affect our community. The proposed Sandspit Link road is a forward focus.

I thank the outgoing committee for their sterling work over the year. Diane Taylor, Robyn Duffy and Steve Popham are not available for re-election. I have had a good response to enquiry from members to fill those positions and I look forward, if re-elected, to working with the new committee and also ask you to encourage new membership from amongst our local ratepayers and residents.

Thank you to all members for the support and positive feedback I have received over the last year.

Mark Dinniss Chairman, SBRRA.

Financial Statement 2019-2020

SNELLS BEACH RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

INCOME	2020	2019
Subscriptions	1200	1020
Donations	90	140
Walkway Fund	3000	
Security Camera Fund	<u>3150</u>	<u>3307</u>
TOTAL INCOME	7440	4467

Less EXPENDITURE

Advertising General & Bank Fees	31 227	151 325
Postage, Printing & Stationery		
	196	148
Recognition Gifts.	202	
Security Camera	5673	
Signage		39
Walkway	2610	
Website	<u>40</u>	<u>111</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	8979	774

NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(\$1,539)	\$3,693
Start Year Bank Balance	8, 975	5,282
End Year Balance	<u>7 436</u>	<u>8 975</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Funds	(\$1,539)	\$3,693

Auditor's Statement :

These accounts were prepared from records supplied by the Treasurer and appear to be a true and correct record of the proceedings of the above organisation for the year ended 31 March 2020.

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Estelle Martin Accountant

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