

SVRRA Minutes for February, OGM

Ordinary General Meeting

6th February, 2023

Meeting Open:	7.42 pm
Attendance:	Michael Le Vaux, Adriaan Loosjes (via phone), Rose Rudeforth, Edwin & Joy Dell, Paul Benson, Maryanne Phillips
Apologies:	Paige McNeil
Minutes Accepted:	Motion: <i>Minutes for OGM 7th November, 2022, be accepted.</i> R. Rudeforth /A. Loosjes passed unanimously

Matters Arising from the Minutes

North Stoneville

A rally was called by the Save Perth Hills (SPH) group and held on Sunday 5th February, 2023. The purpose was to rally support and reaffirm the community opposition to the development proposed by the Nigel Satterly group. The rally was informed that an amended plan had been submitted by the developers which was currently being looked at by the government. It will be advertised and submissions invited. The SPH encouraged everyone to make a submission as numbers are important and their website will have details to assist.

Several speakers addressed the rally including but not limited to Paige McNeil (past president of SPH), Wayne Gregson (past Commissioner of DFES), Bob Brown (past member of the Australian Senate). It was reported there were around 2,000 at the rally.

Grevillea Park

Adriaan contacted the Mundaring Shire, Planning Services, who have received no details of Grevillea Park. The SVRRA will email the Shire to request that it be kept informed of any developments. No further action by the proponents is expected until the report from the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicides. The commissions last meetings are in Perth during May, 2023.

Grevillea Park is a project by the Avon Recovery Centre in response to growing mental distress by SES, first responders, nurses and teachers including members of the LGBTIQI. Concern was raised at the meeting about the future of the 24 proposed units. Few disagree with the aim of the project although its proximity to a rifle range could be an issue. Once built the units will be there in perpetuity. If they are no longer needed as a recovery centre what will happen to them? Will they be sold for general housing? If a developer today tried to carry out such a development, would it succeed? Will this lead to density development at the edge of State Forest?

With the remoteness of the site, lack of power, lack of water, lack of public transport it was suggested that alternative sites may be more suitable.

Cole Road Blocks For Sale

In response to an enquiry by a resident regarding a rumour concerning the sale and development of 20 Cole Road, which included blocks of 500 square metres, Planning Services at the Shire of Mundaring were contacted for clarification on 3rd February, 2023. They confirmed no development applications had been made.

An email will be sent to Planning Services asking the SVRRA to be kept informed of any change.

Parliament House Lunch Invitation

Paul Benson was not able to attend the lunch at Parliament House for the SVRRA.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer tabled a report covering November, 2022 to January, 2023

Cheque Opening balance	01/11/2022	\$ 4025.70
No transactions for November, 2022		Nil
No transactions for December, 2022		Nil
No transactions for January, 2023		Nil
Closing balance	31/01/2023	\$ <u>4,025.70</u>
Bendigo Bank balance on	31/01/2023	\$ <u>4,025.70</u>
Petty Cash		
Opening Balance	01/11/2022	\$ 25.00
Plus		Nil
Less		Nil
Closing Balance	31/01/2023	\$ <u>25.00</u>
Total Funds at	31/01/2023	
Cheque Account		\$ 4,025.70
Petty Cash		\$ 25.00
Total		\$ <u>4,050.70</u>

The chairperson notes the Bendigo Bank statement for 31/01/2023 agrees with the balance in the treasurer's report.

Motion: *That the Treasurer's report to the February, 2023 OGM be accepted.*

P.Benson/J.Dell

passed unanimously

Correspondence

In:

Shire of Mundaring

Minutes of Shire meetings can be viewed on the web site www.mundaring.wa.gov.au

Shire of Mundaring, Natural Areas Project Officer (NAP0), Kathryn Johnson

Invitation to a 'Thank You' morning tea for Friends and Catchment Group volunteers on Saturday 10th December, 2022.

Invitation to all Friends and Catchment Groups to an 'End of Year Volunteer Celebration' on Sunday 4th December, 2022.

At the end of 2022, we received an email to complete two forms. One is a 'Friends of Reserves Request for Assistance Form' and the other, a 'Friends Group Survey Form' for 2022 activities.

Shire of Mundaring, Director Infrastructure Services, Shane Purdy

Notice of submissions being invited for Capital Works Requests for 2023/24 close on Friday 3rd February, 2023.

Shire of Mundaring, Facilities Booking Officer, Jodie Snow

Advice that the Shire is changing to an online booking system for shire facilities. Also, a request for SVRRA meeting dates for 2023.

Shire of Mundaring, Community Capacity Building Officer, Tracey Peacock

- Notice of free training by the Black Dog Institute. The online one-hour course called "Recognise and Respond", aims to reduce and prevent suicide in Australia. It is designed for members of the general population, who are likely to encounter individuals at risk.
- Notice of a Mental Health First Aid two-day course on 30th November, 2022 & 1st December, 2022, at Mundaring or on 5th & 6th December, 2022, at Kalamunda.

Shire of Mundaring, Executive Assistant to CEO, Ana Fernandez

- An email to seek confirmation the SVRRA meeting on 7th November, 2022, is still going ahead.
- An email to request the meeting dates for the SVRRA for 2023.

Shire of Mundaring, Communications Coordinator, Natasha Turfrey

Notice of the Mundaring Shire review of its Council and Ward Representation required by the WA State Government. Submissions close Monday 19th December, 2022.

Shire of Mundaring, Co-ordinator Strategic Planning, Andrew Bratley

An email to seek comment on the Draft Watercourse Hierarchy Strategy and Draft Local Biodiversity Strategy. Feedback is due to close on 25th January, 2023. They can be viewed on the shire website, administration office and libraries.

WA Labor Member for Swan Hills, Jessica Shaw MLA, Denise Williams

An email to confirm acceptance of Jessica Shaws invitation to join her at Parliament House on 16th November, 2022, from 12pm and dress code requirements.

WA Labor Member for Swan Hills, Jessica Shaw MLA, John Karoll

An email to advise of a Parliament House tour starting at 12pm sharp prior to the lunch.

Sawyers Valley Resident, Maryanne Phillips

A request via Facebook for information regarding how frequently we meet.

Out:

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To all financial members.

Shire of Mundaring, Facilities Booking Officer, Jodie Snow

A form listing booking dates for planned SVRRA meetings at the Sawyers Hall for 2023.

Shire of Mundaring, Executive Assistant to CEO, Ana Fernandez

An email to advise the SVRRA meeting dates and times for 2023.

Motion: *That the correspondence IN be accepted and OUT be endorsed.*

E. Dell/ R. Rudeforth

passed unanimously

Any Other Business

Consideration to Windup the SVRRA

The meeting discussed the steps needed for the potential windup of the SVRRA.

They include:

- Refund of deposit with the Shire for the key to the hall,
- Where will keys to the two display cabinets go?,
- What is to happen to the physical records held by Treasurer and Secretary?,
- Advise interested parties of the windup ie. Shire, Resident and Ratepayers, Other Ratepayer groups.
- Distribution of surplus funds to a permitted organisation,
- Cancel any remaining Hall bookings,
- Cancellation of the Incorporation of the SVRRA.

The cancellation of the incorporation requires a Distribution Plan to be submitted to the Commissioner for approval after a Special Resolution to dissolve has been passed. The plan needs to specify the value of assets after debts have been paid and where the surplus assets are going.

There was discussion about amalgamating with another ratepayer group such as Mt Helena. It was considered better for Sawyers Valley issues to be championed by Sawyers Valley residents.

Amalgamation then was not a preferred option at present.

The meeting resolved to widely publicise that the existing committee is reaching its use by date. The aim is to attract residents who are interested in issues affecting Sawyers Valley and who wish to have a say. More interested residents are needed to join the committee and continue the SVRRA. The next meeting is the AGM in May, 2023, when we need Sawyers Valley residents to attend. Depending on the outcome of this meeting the further direction will be decided.

A new member proficient in the use to social media will help broaden our reach. The Echo will be used to reach others. Anyone on various social media platforms will be encouraged to spread the word among Sawyers Valley residents. We need to encourage residents to lookup the SVRRA website as it is maintained by Adriaan Loosjes and has a wealth of excellent information about Sawyers Valley and current issues.

Meeting Closed: 8.54 pm

Next Meeting: The next SVRRA meeting is the AGM & OGM on **Monday 1st May, 2023**, in the Sawyers Valley Hall at 7.30pm.

Minutes Confirmed by:

Signed:

Date:

President: Adriaan Loosjes
Vice President: Paul Benson
Treasurer: Rose Rudeforth
Secretary: Michael Le Vaux
Assoc Postal Address: 20 Leather Green, Sawyers Valley 6074

The SVRRA meets in the Sawyers Valley Hall on the first Monday at 7.30 pm, in the months of February, May, August and November.

Area Representatives:

Michael Le Vaux Sawyers Rd
Carol Hall Malabar Rd & Marshwood Pl
Paul Benson Railway Terrace, Sexton St & Gt Eastern Hwy
Adriaan Loosjes Dowell St, Pearce St, King Jarrah Rise, Darrowby Place & Nardini Place
Rose Rudeforth Railway Terrace (Forrest Rd westward) & Helena Terrace

Webmaster: Adriaan Loosjes

SVRRA Web Site: <http://sawyersvalley.weebly.com/>

SVRRA email: sawyersvalley@gmail.com

SVRRA Facebook Page: @svrrai or Sawyers Valley Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc

SVRRAI Twitter: @svrrai

SVRRAI Instagram: @svrrai