

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF  
THE MOUNT WILSON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.  
HELD AT 'PACKWOOD', MT. IRVINE ROAD,  
ON FRIDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2010.**

**1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS**

The meeting was convened by the chairman at 7.30 p.m.

**2. PRESENT**

Bill Ryan (President), Richard Beattie (Vice President), Libby Raines (Treasurer), Moira Green (Secretary), Kim Gow, Alison Halliday.

**APOLOGIES**

Brian Abrahams, Robert Chesney.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2010, held at 'Kirk's Corner', Hillcrest Lane, were confirmed as a true record.

**4. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Libby Raines tabled the following report:

Statement of Accounts 1-2-10 to 31-3-10

Working Account

Receipts:-

A.T.O. G.S.T. refund	263.00
Interest	75.67
Transfer from Fixed Term Deposit	2,000.00
<b>Total Receipts:-</b>	<b>\$2,338.67</b>

Expenditure:

Blue Mountains World Heritage	2,200.00
Alan Gunn Maintenance	4,716.80
Micah Fink Weeds, tree trimming	250.00
Vivienne Eggers Work on brochure	500.00
Village Hall Meetings and functions	174.00
Finsure Insurance	960.00
Bank fees	39.77

Total Expenditure:- \$8,840.57

Total receipts :- 2,338.67

- Total expenditure:- 8,840.57  
= -(6,501.90)

+ Carried forward 7,343.67

= \$843.54

Bank Statement 1-4-10 \$843.54

Fixed Term Deposits:- \$18,000.00

Money held in this total for :

Membership	\$2,400.00
Weed control	\$986.00

It was explained that the fees for the hiring of the hall included all functions for 2010. The report was accepted by the meeting.

## 5. CORRESPONDENCE

### Incoming

11-3-10	<b>Village Hall Committee to BMCC</b> – Road works outside the hall
17-3-10	<b>BMCC, P. Mowbray</b> – Property addresses on Mt. Irvine Road
19-3-10	<b>BMCC to R. Beattie</b> – Response to maintenance requests
7-4-10	<b>BMCC to R. Chesney</b> – Thanks for involvement in Clean Up Aust. Day
17-4-10	<b>BMCC</b> – Audit of on the ground results
Mar, 2010	<b>V. Zhukov, A. Mellady</b> – Mount Wilson Postal Service
20-4-10	<b>G. Tribe</b> - Mount Wilson Postal Service
21-4-10	<b>F. Smart, A. Delbridge</b> - Mount Wilson Postal Service
1-3-10/ 9-4-10	<b>V. Eggers &amp; Integral Energy</b> – Emergency generator

### Outgoing

6-3-10	<b>E. &amp; J. Montano</b> - Apology for lack of communication re. pruning of rhododendrons and request for them to be kept trimmed
7-3-10	<b>BMCC- R. Beattie</b> re. maintenance issues
23-4-10	<b>BMCC- R. Beattie</b> re. maintenance issues

### Business Arising from Correspondence

- 5.1 BMCC Property addresses.** A letter of thanks to be sent to P. Mowbray.
- 5.2 Postal Service.** It was decided that A. Halliday and K. Gow make inquiries about the terms of rural delivery contracts. M. Green will inform the correspondents that inquiries are being made.

## 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Each member reported on progress in their areas of responsibility. Refer to the schedule of *Matters Requiring Ongoing Attention*.

### BMCC Related Items

- 6.1 Farrer Road West.** The response to requests for improvement is disappointing. There is no financial provision for further road sealing and the roll over drain will not be installed.
- 6.2 Village Hall verge.** A grader will be sent. However, this will not solve the problem of pooling rainwater. Council will be informed that this is unsatisfactory.
- 6.3 Vegetation between Hillcrest Lane and Cathedral Reserve.** Sections of vegetation have been marked.
- 6.4 Waterfall Reserve.** The picnic table has been repaired and the pipe reattached to the water tank.
- 6.5 Potholes.** Potholes and the subsidence on the Zigzag have been filled.

**6.6 Mt. Wilson Road Guide Posts.** Instructions have been given that these will be repaired and or replaced.

**6.7 Founders Corner parking.** It was reported that cars are parking close to the corner. The sign that was once there prohibiting this is no longer there. It was decided to observe the situation to see if there is a continuing problem before installing more signs.

#### MWPA Items

**6.8 Rabbits.** There are still sightings in Hillcrest Lane.

**6.9 Integral Energy.** The correspondence of Vivienne Eggers with Integral Energy, opposing the installation of the emergency generator was discussed. It was reported that John Lee has contacted Mr. Moore to indicate that the majority of Mt. Irvine residents want the generator. It was decided that M. Green write to Mr. Moore to say that the Mount Wilson community fully supports the installation of the generator.

**6.10 Weed Eradication.** Bushcare and BMCC have been working to remove ivy and blackberry in Sloan Reserve. *Leycesteria* has been identified on private properties near the Zigzag. BMCC is trying to have it classified as a noxious weed. It was suggested that the subject be placed on the A.G.M. agenda when samples of weeds will be made available to help identification.

**6.11 Picnic Furniture.** All but three sets of tables and chairs have been fitted with PVC discs and placed on granite tiles. M. Fink will be asked to scrape away soil from around them periodically.

**6.12 Environmental Levy.** It was decided that M. Green write to BMCC thanking those involved for the work done on the Wollangambe Track and requesting that more be done.

**6.13 Barbecues.** There has been an increase in the price of steel so a new quote will be made available. Mudgee Tafe has promised to deliver six more this year. B. Ryan will approach Lithgow Engineering with a design for more. The problem of people indiscriminately lighting fires anywhere in the Reserve will be solved with additional barbecues.

**6.14 War Memorial.** A. Gunn reported that the wire on the flag pole needs repairing. He will trim up the oak, deodar and conifers. Kim and Tim Gow will do those near Sefton Cottage. Gravel will be ordered and cuttings of the rosemary will be propagated to replace the old one.

**6.15 Website.** A report from G. Tribe was tabled. T. Gow has been added to the committee. The Historical Society has agreed to be part of the website and share costs. Priorities are to keep information up to date, which it is at present, and to move the website to a local ISP. MWPA Committee will be informed prior to changes when cost of this are known. A further goal is to make the website more useful to local residents.

**6.16 Signs.** B. Ryan will provide Beth Raines with the chemicals to spray the moss. BMCC have indicated it will provide the sign for the Giant Tree when it has been pruned.

**6.17 Tree Maintenance.** The fallen trees outside 'Breenhold' and on Mt. Irvine Road and the logs at Ferny Corner have been reported to BMCC. A horsechestnut in The Avenue has been damaged by the fallen oak in 'Nooroo'. P. Raines has been asked to look at it.

As a response to the request for trees outside Marcus Clark Reserve it was decided that *nyssa sylvaticas* be planted this winter. These may not do well in the poor quality soil. An article will be placed in the next newsletter explaining the choice of tree. A *nyssa sylvatica* will also be purchased for the hall to replace two dead maples.

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**7.1 Concrete Plinths.** A. Gunn reported that additional ones are needed in Cathedral Reserve. R. Beattie will contact BMCC to order twelve.

**7.2 Dangerous trees.** BMCC will be informed of a dangerous tree in Stephens Lane, two in Silva Plana and one in Waterfall Reserve.

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next committee meeting will be held on:

Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 at 7.30 p.m. at 'New Bywood', Hillcrest Lane.

**9. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.

Signed as a true record

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**Bill Ryan**  
President