



Meeting Minutes

7:00 Thursday 7th December 2017
Neerim South Hotel

Annual General Meeting Minutes

Chair (AGM): Damian McGoldrick
Minutes: Nicki Cann

Highlights of 2017

- Minor capital grant
- Signs – Bernard
- Working bee
- Bridge – Bernard

Next year

- Develop list of key projects
- Defining the scope of the projects
- Select some achievable projects
- New flyer to promote group
- Boost membership base
- Walking train
- Grant opportunities

Keith

RCFG successful with Baw Baw shire community development grant
RCFG – was a high quality application
Facebook page – Keith encouraged all to contribute.

PREVIOUS MINUTES CONFORMATION

Confirmed Damian, seconded Bernard.

REPORTS

Correspondence – Nil reported

Financial – Bernard

Paid

Nil.

Incoming

Nil

Accounts to be paid

Signs (Warragul signs and stickers) – \$1056

Operating account balance \$1130.86
Bernard moved, Carolyn seconded.

Activities

PROJECTS

Bridge Restoration Project

Application submitted to restore the bridge, Shire no longer completing, RCFG under the understanding we were exempt of fees from Heritage Victoria due to being a community group. – approx. \$9000 worth of fees. Bernard has submitted an application for exemption, private contractor has now been employed by Heritage Victoria to assess whether group exempt of fees

Melbourne Water have offered grey gums

Braden Jenkins has assessed this and they are not grey gums, they are mountain grey gums and not suitable for pillars. He has advised they would be suitable for sawn timber components, process of grading may be more costly than purchasing the timber.

Braden has completed a report – Damian to circulate this information.

Damian to liaise with Gary Blackwood re this.

Bridge signs

- Bridge sign – sign now up at the crossover bridge
- Need to do some weed spraying in this area
- Supplementary fence has been knocked down and Telstra bollard taken out– Carolyn will follow up

Damaged sign

- Sign fixed by Sures but not moved

Crossover Regional Park Project

Seasonal closure

Need to await feedback from Kate

Minor capital works grant/Rokeby rail trail car park

Starting next week

Carolyn has put up flyers in the bush to advise community of works

Maildrop to community members advising the same

Private property boundary on track leading to rail trail – council contacted re this. Opportunity to put private boundary back where it should be - put fence across the road, realign the car park possibly, passive use track at the bottom of the car park, additional signage, gate at the bottom of the car park, - need to have conversation with DELWP re gates.

Misinterpretation of the grant - RCFG should have asked for additional money, alternative shire funds will assist with car park and realignment. Paul contactor requires an email advising that works are ready to go ahead, invoice needs to be sent to council by group.

Fonterra

Grant application to be submitted to contribute to minor capital works.

Shelter perspex – has been measured, 1570 x 1040 – quote to be obtained – will be covered at next meeting

Neerim East - Crossover Forest - Recreation Issues – defer until next meeting when Kate DELWP present.

- 12 horserider awareness signs ready to be installed in strategic positions to increase awareness and safety of and for horseriders – DELWP crew will complete.
- Trailbike pilot project

Walking train tours

- Need to establish dates for 2018 - Need to discuss with Keith and Mapo

GENERAL BUSINESS

Rokeby Flora and Fauna Reserve management plan has been circulated and updated.

Meeting closed 9:15pm

Meeting dates to be set and circulated for next year – advertisement to be put in local paper.