

## **Tuggeranong Community Council Meeting 2 February 2016**

Meeting Opened: 7:33p.m.

**Apologies:** Barry Blight, Jane Hiatt, Kit and Carol Vincent, Ben Murphy, Bill Heins

### **Minutes from the December 2015 meeting (as amended)**

- Moved: Albert Orszaczky; Seconded: Wayne King.

### **Matters arising from the Minutes**

- The discussions of East Greenway public housing developments were noted. Glenys noted she was aiming to have a report produced for next March.

### **Correspondence**

- The Post Adoption Resource Centre was to host a meeting on 29 February.
- Correspondence was received regarding the Tharwa Village Plan. The details of this were later discussed in Sub-Committee Reports.

### **Report displayed **President's Report****

- Glenys noted that Darryl Johnston was resigning from the Committee. Glenys spoke of Darryl's extensive service to the Council and she thanked Darryl on behalf of the Council.
- Glenys spoke of the Tuggeranong Community survey which was due to be released shortly.
- Glenys mentioned some of the guests the Council was hoping to have over the next year, including: NBN Co, CIT, Capital Metro (Canberra Metro), and the LDA.
  - Moved: Frank Vrins; Seconded: Beverley Flint.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- showing bank balance of \$18,052.49. Copy of Report attached (page 5).
- Expenditure of the Council is normal. Large expenditures were recently made on: an advance payment on the storage facility and the Christmas party.
- The ACT Government grant for 2015/16 has been restored to \$12,821. This was the original figure requested.
- The Council will need to conduct a review of its website and Facebook page. The Treasurer warned that this could be a costly review.
- Deed of Grant received and signed. This provides the Council with insurance cover until November 2.
  - Moved: Paul Nicholl; Seconded: Lorraine King.

### **Police Report: Sergeant Chris Meagher**

- Crime Statistics
  - Increases in crime in south Canberra, decreasing in north Canberra. The south side saw increases across all crime statistics from October to December. There was a 7.8% increase in crime across Tuggeranong.
  - Across the south side: weapon, drug related and sexual assault crimes are down. Motor vehicle, property damage, crimes against the person, burglary and assault crimes are up.
  - In Tuggeranong: assaults were up, burglary was down, shopping centre burglaries were up, motor vehicle thefts were down, property damage was down.
  - Sergeant Meagher spoke about the increases in patrolling and crime prevention strategies across the area, and highlighted the need to always report crimes to the Police. He also mentioned the important role social media was beginning to play in assisting Police investigate crimes.
  - Sergeant Meagher noted the 10% increase in burglaries, usually in domestic houses, particularly industrial areas (such as Hume). He also highlighted the importance of shopkeepers reporting instances of shoplifting.
  - Sergeant Meagher spoke about the increase in coward punches, and how he believes these are due to our drinking culture. He highlighted the complexity and concerns to do with these crimes.

### **MLA Reports:**

- Nicole Lawder MLA
  - Ms Lawder spoke of her work regarding the complaints about the smell in Fadden, with speculation that it may be coming from the tip. She noted that this tends to occur early in the morning or late in the evening. Ms Lawder has received a response from the tip management, and is continuing to follow-up concerns raised in the community. She mentioned that she has an interactive map on her Facebook page regarding this smell.
  
- Minister Mick Gentleman MLA:
  - highlighted that it is an election year this year.
  - spoke about his participation in the Convoy for Cancer, which raised \$117,000 in the region.
  - noted his new ministries, including: Gaming and Racing, and Land Management.
  - mentioned the Light Rail announcement, and provided documents to the Council about this announcement.
  - spoke about the Tharwa Village Plan, and also provided documents to the Council about this announcement. He discussed the long-term planning strategies for the area, and highlighted the importance of community consultation on this strategy.

- Brendan Smyth MLA:
  - noted that there were 256 days until the ACT election.
  - raised concerns about funding being placed into the Tuggeranong Valley. He noted an experience he had of being hit with a coward punch in his youth, and the negative impact that had on him. Mr Smyth mentioned legislation being put forward on this matter.
  - also raised concerns about the clubs industry, especially in reference to potential plans to install poker machines in the casino.

### **Sub-Committee Reports:**

- Environment and Planning: – Paul Nicholl
  - The Tharwa Village Plan was raised in this sub-committee. The community consultations, as well as the 'have your say' website were noted.
  - Clean Up Australia Day is on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, and the Council will be focusing on cleaning the lake.
  - The Carp Fishing Competition is being planned, but the sub-committee will need help planning this event as Paul will be away.
  - Paul also noted that storms have caused an increase in the build-up on the lake.
- Health, Community and Education – Beverley Flint
  - Beverley noted the public housing project in East Greenway. Beverley noted that local residents and the Scouts Group had expressed concerns about the timing of traffic surveys which were done. Concerns were also raised about the location where these surveys were taken.
  - Beverley also noted concerns about residents who move from retirement resorts into nursing homes. Currently, the move to a Federal funding system has resulted in a gap in transport services. Some non-emergency transport services are provided by the Ambulance service. In the past, some businesses used to assist in providing these transport services, however the taxi industry complained and these services were removed from the market.

### **Guest Speakers:**

- National Parks – Brett McNamara

- Mr McNamara spoke about the mountains west of Tuggeranong, highlighting their importance and their history.
- Mr McNamara also discussed the borders of the ACT. These borders were designed around ensuring that the borders were chosen along water catchment boundaries.

Questions:

- Mr McNamara was asked about the development in Googong. He noted that although this development was in New South Wales, the ACT Parks service had played some roles in the area. He noted difficulties which may arise in educating residents about the importance of protecting the water sources in the area.
- Mr McNamara was also asked about Lake Tuggeranong. He noted clear education problems in the area, and a lack of community involvement.

- ACT Waste Feasibility Study – Lynne Duckham (on behalf of Chris Morrison) mentioned the following:

- the Feasibility Study, and how it is an across-Government study into waste management across a variety of directorates. Important data is needed to help make informed decisions on waste management.
- that the goal of the study is to look to the future to guide waste management in the ACT. The study will assess up to 64 different waste streams, with the goal of reaching 90% recycling.
- that the study is looking at: the management of illegal dumping, the recycling of soft plastics, a core focus on bringing waste streams through recycling programs to reduce landfill.
- that legislation will be put to the assembly later this year. She noted a new tender had been awarded to the Mugga Lane Tip, and that the study was considering a possible Container Deposit Scheme.

Questions:

- Ms Duckham was asked about the odour, which is suspected to be coming from the tip. She noted that the topography of the site can send smells towards other suburbs. She noted a variety of services are offered in the area, which can include composts. Her area are looking at costing of technologies to help potential issues.
- Ms Duckham was asked about biodegradable plastic bags. She noted that these bags only break down in direct sunlight, so they are not suitable for a tip.
- Ms Duckham was asked about the rubbish from the KFC and McDonalds outlets in Tuggeranong. She said work has occurred with community groups, with a focus on the behaviours of individuals who purchase these products. A waste study will look to collect information on these practices. The challenge for the directorate is to manage cleaning services, compared with providing additional bins.

### **General Business**

- Max Flint raised concerns about elements of the announced Light Rail project. He mentioned that a winning tender was costed at \$698 million, but expressed concerns about the likelihood of a potential 'cost-blowout'. He also raised concerns about the affordability of additional costs for later stages of the project.
- Albert Orszaczky made reference to the OurCanberra park-naming project. He suggested putting forward the late Eric Traise (past TCC President) for the naming of the park in the new South Quay precinct.
- Angie Drake asked about water extraction charges. Glenys said she would put forward a submission on behalf of the Council.

There will be a visit from the Climate Change study at the next meeting on **1 March**.

Meeting closed at 9.40pm .

TUGGERANONG COMMUNITY COUNCIL (TCC)		
TREASURER'S REPORT		
GENERAL MEETING		
	2/02/16	SC Club
<b>ACCOUNTS FOR PERIOD ENDING</b>		
<b>January 2016</b>		
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>Operating Account</b>		
Start of Period	1/12/15	2,780.70
Income		0.42
Expenses-Paid		- 1,258.62
Cheques not yet presented		-
Cheques paid from last month		- 369.80
Transfers TO Investment Acct		-
Transfers FROM Investment Acct		-
Transfers TO Petty Cash		-
Transfers FROM Petty Cash		-
End of Period	31/01/16	1,152.70
Net Change for Period		- 1,628.00
<b>Investment Account</b>		
Start of Period	1/12/15	16,809.77
In		19.92
Out		-
End of Period	31/01/16	16,829.69
Net change for Period		19.92
<b>Petty Cash</b>		
Start of Period	1/12/15	63.10
In		7.00
Out		-
End of Period	31/01/16	70.10
Net change for Period		7.00
<b>Total Accounts</b>		
Start of Period	1/12/15	19,653.57
End of Period	31/01/16	18,052.49
Net change for Period		- 1,601.08
<b>Income for Period (Op Acc)</b>		
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sum</b>
<b>Total Income (excluding transfers)</b>		
		0.42
<b>Expenses-Paid for Period</b>		
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sum</b>
Southern Cross Club	1/12/15	465.00
Storage King	1/12/15	585.00
Interest	12/12/15	120.22
G Patulny (for CCC)	5/01/16	43.98
Interest	5/01/16	44.42
<b>Total Expenses-Paid (excl transfers)</b>		1,258.62
<b>NET GAIN/LOSS FOR PERIOD</b>		
		<b>-1258.20</b>
<b>CHEQUES NOT PRESENTED</b>		
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sum</b>
Tugg Community Festival (\$50 cancelled)	12/11/15	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>0.00</b>
<b>CHEQUES PAID FROM LAST MONTH</b>		
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Sum</b>
F.Spier	5/11/15	240.00
Provincial Plants & l'scapes	25/11/15	129.80
<b>Total</b>		<b>369.80</b>
<b>Notes:</b>		
1. Committee expenses are those incurred by Committee Members, while performing Committee duties.		