



Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.

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President: Peter Toet.

VHDPA Committee Meeting - Minutes.

Meeting date	7:00pm Wednesday, 20 May 2020
Location	Hall School Museum and Zoom Meeting
Committee Members	Peter Toet, John Starr, Tony Morris, Olga Minion, Margaret Monahan, Peter Howard, Ralph Southwell, Phil Robson, Heather Wilford, Robert Yallop, Yvonne Robson.
Apologies	Yvonne Robson, John Starr

1. Minutes of previous meeting.

1.1	Minutes of committee meeting 15 April 2020 Minutes were accepted as a true record by the Committee. Moved by Peter Howard. Seconded by Tony Morris. All were in favour.
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2. Presidents report

2.1	Peter Toet report Peter stated that we live in interesting times. There is a lot of work to be done. We all need to hang in there as Hall needs us. We are doing a good job.
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3. Treasurers report.

3.1	<p>Tabling of financial statements</p> <p>Treasurers Report,</p> <p>Treasurer, John Starr tabled electronically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Transaction report for transactions since the last meeting for ratification • Statement of Working Accounts of the VHDPA <p>John Starr proposed by e: mail that the Treasurer’s Report be ratified. Seconded by Heather. The Treasurer’s Report was accepted by the Committee.</p> <p>The financial position of the Association is looking shaky without the Pavilion income due to Covid-19 restrictions.</p> <p>There was a discussion on the status of the working accounts. The statement of the VHDPA Working Accounts reflects the actual position of the VHDPA without the sub-group accounts of the Men’s Shed, Collectors Group and Museum. Discussions are being held with the auditor to determine how to present the positions of the VHDPA and the sub-groups in the statutory accounts.</p> <p>The accounts this month showed a figure of \$646.74 which was a stimulus package payment from the ACT Government</p> <p>The Committee approved expenditure to secure a paid Zoom subscription of around \$250.00 for use by the VHDPA Committee.</p>
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4. Correspondence

4.1	<p>Tennis Coaching in Hall</p> <p>Myles Emery has approached the Committee again in relation to running a tennis coaching business from the Hall Community Tennis Courts. The Committee discussed the request.</p> <p>Some Committee members thought that he may have already been using the courts for coaching purposes. They believe that the Tennis Courts are a community asset and should be substantially available for the community and not for professional coaching, however the Committee agreed:</p> <p>Active Tennis Coaching:</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • may use the tennis courts for coaching for 6 hours per week when not required by the community for tennis; • may not use the tennis court on Monday mornings as this is a time of long-standing use by some village residents; • will pay the amount of \$7.50 per hour of use, paid monthly to the specified VHDPa bank account; • will specify the 6 hours that they will use the court for coaching and will place prominent signage on the court so that others will know when the court will be used for coaching. The 6 hours specified will be valid for a 3 month period and will be updated. The 6 hours specified may be changed during the subsequent 3 months; • will bag the tennis court after use and repair any damage in the event that such occurs as a result of the actions of Active Tennis Coaching; • will provide the VHDPa with a copy of their current and up-to-date public liability and professional indemnity insurance coverage; <p>These arrangements will be valid for 12 months from the date of implementation;</p> <p>The VHDPa does not provide Active Tennis Coaching with the exclusive rights as the only tennis coaching provider permitted to use the court for professional tennis coaching and may approve other tennis coaching at the sole discretion of the VHDPa.</p> <p>The Secretary will advise Myles Emery of the VHDPa decision.</p>
4.2	<p>Hall Community Precinct OHS Admin Requirements</p> <p>Peter T has spoken to the ACT Property Group. The Property Officer has notified him that the work has been approved. A work order has been submitted to upgrade the security system at the Cottage and Museum. All wiring is ok. Needs a new mother board. This work will be covered by the ACT Government. Wormald has already replaced the fire extinguishers.</p>

5. Agenda Items

5.1	<p>Centenary Trail Car Park</p> <p>Peter T and Tony met with the ACT Government and discussed the carparking arrangement for the Centenary Trail. A local resident has objected to having a car park created on the site of the northern side of Hoskins Street between Palmer and Hall Streets. It has been proposed to put 1.5 metres of reclaimed roadbase on the northern side of Hoskins St with a link to the school car park via a concrete path. There will be a new sign showing parking locations. Staggered street parking on one side of the street of 4 cars will also be developed and signage will be erected. All parking will be policed. This is expected to be completed by end of the financial year.</p>
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	<p>Peter H suggested that we print out flyers and put a copy into all Hall post boxes so that the community is fully aware of what is going on. This will be done when the Government comes back with a firm proposal.</p> <p>Phil mentioned that when the trail was initially built it was intend to use the Pavilion parking area so that cars did not park on people’s nature strips or on the street.</p> <p>The community should be given the opportunity to provide feedback. The flyers will ask for comment to us by a specified date. No comment means that you agree. Information will be placed on the Hall website and Phil will also put it on facebook.</p> <p>There was discussion about opening the Polocrosse grounds for users of the Centenary Trail and also during the Floriade period when Hall is expected to be busy. Polocrosse only use the grounds 3 times a year. We will need to approach ACT Sportsground Hire to obtain permission for access. We will also contact the Hall Polocrosse Club to seek their agreement on use of the car park. Margaret agreed to speak to them.</p>
5.2	<p>Hall Honeys</p> <p>Robert used the link as requested by the Hall Honeys to ascertain the latest information on the Hall Honeys Grant. Two landscape designers had been identified; however one of them has since gone out of business. The Project Plan accessible by the link provided by Jonathan Palmer seems to indicate that activities in the Project Plan may be behind schedule.</p>
5.3	<p>Floriade in Hall</p> <p>There are two elements to Floriade in Hall. The Mens Shed will be planting 2000 bulbs and 2000 annuals in 80 wooden planter boxes that have been built by them. These plants will need to be planted in soil that will be provided by the ACT Government. They will be located on grassed areas along Victoria Street and in the Park. The Mens Shed will tend to these.</p> <p>Floriade Events will provide Hall with 15, half-wine barrels and wheelbarrows with already planted bulbs. They will be located on the paved areas in Victoria Street. These will remain all of September and October and will be maintained by the ACT Government.</p>
5.4	<p>Next General Meeting</p> <p>The Committee had previously notified the community that there would be another VHDPA General Meeting in May. However, given the situation with COVID-19 at the moment this could not be held. Following discussion Heather moved that we defer holding another open meeting until it is safe to do so. Seconded by Phil. The Committee agreed to revisit this at the end of June.</p>

6. General business.

6.1	<p>Precinct Security/Admin</p> <p>See above item 4.2</p>
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6.2	<p>VHDPA Going Forward</p> <p>The Committee will arrange an out-of-session conversations to consider the future direction and activities of the VHDPA and how to best engage with the VHDPA sub-groups and wider Hall village and district community.</p>
6.3	<p>ACT Heritage Grants</p> <p>Phil suggested that we should try and obtain a grant from this year's ACT Government's Heritage Grant process. Applications close 17 June. Phil was happy to use the recent Adopt a Park Grant application and resubmit for a grant to build an indigenous Bush Tucker Garden in the Hall Park. If successful, money will be allocated during August/September 2020 and the project to be completed in 12 months.</p> <p>It was suggested that we contact Renee from TCCS and inform her that we propose to do this.</p>

7. Sub-group reports.

7.1	<p>Hall School Museum & Heritage Centre</p> <p>Nil Report</p>
7.2	<p>Hall Rotary Club</p> <p>Nil Report</p>

8. Action Items

No	Current Status	Next Action	Who	When
1.1	<u>Street Lighting</u>	<p>Improved night time lighting</p> <p>Peter T will follow up with Mark Rodden of ACT Government. The issue is related to unlit parking area on Loftus/Victoria Streets. Additional light on each side of lampposts in that area directed onto the parked vehicles should work.</p>	Peter Toet	June Mtg

Next Meeting. 17 June, 2020

VHDPA Sect. Olga Minion