



Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.

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President: Peter Toet.

VHDPA Committee Meeting - Minutes.

Meeting date	7:00pm Wednesday, 16 September 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.
Other Attendees	Alastair Crombie, President Hall School Museum & Heritage Centre Doug Anstess, President Hall Mens Shed Bob Richardson, President, Hall Collectors Club Jonathan Palmer, Hall Honeys (update Victoria St only) Leigh Crocker, Hall Honeys (update Victoria St only)
Apologies	Margaret Monahan, Alastair Crombie

Jonathan Palmer Leigh Crocker	<p>Update on Victoria Street Plantings & Consultation</p> <p>Peter T thanked Jonathan and Leigh for coming along to bring the Committee up to date on Victoria Street plantings. He was thrilled with the way the plants for Floriade: ReImagined were all starting to bloom and said that it would look marvelous in the future.</p> <p>Jonathan and Leigh told the Committee that the survey had gone out to Bee Friendly Village emails and that there had been a very good response to date. Thirty eight on line and three paper responses have been received. All are in favour of the plantings, except one that is neutral. One is a non resident. In terms of the plantings 60% of responses stated that they would prefer a mix of native and exotic plants. 20% preferred natives only. In terms of the planter boxes 15% preferred concrete, 45% Steel, and 40% steel sheeting and timber.</p> <p>Written comments will be addressed later in the process. The consultant will wait for all results over the next couple of weeks and will hold a</p>
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	<p>zoom meeting with respondents and other interested people to go through feedback and to answer any questions.</p> <p>The Floriade display will be dismantled at the end of the program. The barrels will have to go back as they belong to a local business. The Honeys are considering selling the boxes, soil and bulbs to local residents.</p>
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1. Minutes of previous meeting.

1.1	<p>Minutes of committee meeting 19 August 2020</p> <p>Minutes of committee meeting 19 August 2020 were accepted as a true record by Peter T. Seconded by Tony. All agreed.</p>
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2. Presidents report

2.1	<p>Peter Toet report</p> <p>The Association is working well dealing with issues in the Village. The AGM is coming up and will be advertised to notify members of the date and all details.</p> <p>There will also be an article in the upcoming issue of the Rural Fringe. There is a lot to think about and digest at the moment. We all need to keep in touch with everybody and stay safe.</p> <p>Peter thanked everyone for their support.</p>
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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 the Transaction report for transactions since the last meeting for ratification.</p> <p>John stated that the report was much reduced. All were happy with that. He will send the reports to the sub-group representatives following the meeting.</p> <p>John told the Committee that the Profit and Loss statement had reduced by \$1000</p>
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	<p>as there have been no functions at the Pavilion but still outgoings to pay. Power also is going up</p> <p>Robert mentioned if it wasn't for the membership fees we have recently received, we would be showing an even greater loss. This shows the prudence of creating the emergency reserve.</p> <p>John Starr moved that Treasurer's Report be accepted. Seconded Peter H.</p> <p>John Starr moved that that Margaret Foley and Phil Robson be appointed operatives of the Xero Accounts that are held by Lincoln Partners in addition to Treasurer John Starr to facilitate future succession. Seconded Robert Yallop. Agreed by the Committee.</p>
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4. Correspondence

4.1	<p>E:mail from Active Tennis Coaching re Tennis Court at Pavilion.</p> <p>An e:mail was received from Myles from Active Tennis Coaching requesting approval to renovate the tennis court at the Pavilion as he has had much success in this area. Following discussion the Committee decided to write to Myles explaining that there is no intention at this time to further rehabilitate and refurbish the court. The Mens Shed and VHDPA have cleaned and tidied the court and made it safe. It will be advertised as available for use in its current state. Myles will be notified if further renovating of the court becomes a priority of the community in the future.</p> <p>Tony moved that money for signage be made available. Seconded Robert.</p>
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5. Agenda Items

5.1	<p>Speeding on Victoria Street</p> <p>Robert has written to ACT Minister Chris Steele requesting appropriate technical assessment by the relevant staff from Transport Canberra and City Services and consultation with the Progress Association to determine the optimal solution to the urgent need to address the chronic speeding on Victoria Street from the northern start of houses to the Hall Creek bridge. Pedestrian traffic, including from the housing complex for the aged, school children from the bus interchange, and significantly increased cycle traffic from the Centenary Trail, are making for a very serious safety issue.</p> <p>The Minister's office have responded that they are awaiting a response from the department.</p>	Robert
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6. General business.

6.1	Parking for Floriade: ReImagined. An A frame sign is required on entry to the Village to notify visitors where to park. The Committee will ask the Mens Shed to build some signs or will try to borrow signs from the Hartley Hall Markets.	
6.2	<p>Response to Graeme Bryce re e:mail about Hall Park.</p> <p>The Committee requested the Secretary to respond to Graeme thanking him for his e:mail and offering any help they required. The VHDPa agreed to keep the money from the Hall Ball in the VHDPa Bank account as requested by Graeme.</p>	

7. Sub-group reports.

7.1	<p>Hall School Museum & Heritage Centre</p> <p>Refurbishment of Museum buildings is underway, however this does not include the exhibition building. All air conditioners will be removed from the roof as technicians are no longer permitted to work on the roof.</p> <p>A group of five Embassy/ High Commission wives were given a tour of the Museum and village by Tony. They were fascinated by the beauty of the village and especially the amount of blossoms in bloom at the moment.</p> <p>Instead of schools visiting the Museum because of Covid-19, the Museum has been sending two volunteers with 2/3 suitcases laden with artefacts to the schools instead. Gold Creek School was a trial with a large year 1 and year 2 group attending. This activity has been very well received and will continue into the future</p>
7.2	<p>Hall Rotary Club</p> <p>All is going well. Meeting every fortnight face to face. The Club is not dormant but not very active at the moment due to Covid-19. Markets still trading. Numbers will build. It is difficult to ensure distancing as they move into greater numbers during the Summer months.</p>
7.3	<p>Hall Mens Shed</p> <p>Members were involved in refurbishing the tennis court at the Pavilion. Very good feedback from all. They are going to try a barbeque on the 1st of October. Just a sausage sandwich and onion. To keep safe they will only cater for a small number of people. Extend more as time goes on.</p> <p>The entry to the annex requires repair – the wood is rotten. They have been in touch with Team Blue in the Property Group. Mens Shed are happy to do the work if the Government pays for materials.</p>

7.4	<p>Hall Collectors Club</p> <p>Still holding meetings but much smaller numbers attending due to Covid-19. The Pony Club building has been re-wired but the Collectors Clubrooms are not connected at this stage. The Club has received a \$500 donation from the Sheep Dog Committee to replace items destroyed in the recent fire.</p>
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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 has contacted Fix My Street about this. 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	Nov Mtg

Next Meeting. 21 September 2020 AGM

VHDPa Sect. Olga Minion