



Village of Hall and District Progress Association Inc.

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President: Robert Yallop.

VHDPA Committee Ordinary Meeting # 10 - Minutes

Meeting date	18 September 2024
Location	Hall Cottage and by ZOOM
Office holders and committee present	Robert Yallop, Jan Klaver, Phil Robson, Peter Toet, Tony Morris, Aaron Whittaker, Toni Makkai, Lee-Ann Brodrick, Margaret Monahan; Ralph Southwell
Apologies	
Other Attendees invited	Jack "Jacko" McGrath Mount Spring Association

1. Welcome and introduction

Robert welcomed Jack "Jacko" McGrath attending on behalf of the Mt Spring Association.

Robert acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the Ngunnawal and Ngambri people, and paying respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

2. Notice of any conflicts of interest re agenda items

Nil

5 a) Mt Spring Association

Jack noted the Association has not been very active in recent times but has plans to undertake a bit of a membership drive. An article in the Rural Fringe might assist. Current office bearers are unchanged with Wendy Craik as President, Maxx Wei as Secretary and Geoff Gorrie, ten members at last meeting. Meetings currently occurring once per year.

3. General business

a) Approval of the Minutes 21 August 2024

It was proposed that Minutes of the Committee Meeting of 21 August, 2024, be approved.

Moved: Tony Morris
Seconded: Peter Toet
Agreed unanimously

b) Treasurer's report

Phil Robson noted that he had not yet been able to fully review the management report, however all transactions are reconciled on Xero. Phil has met with Michael Sinclair about tax. Phil tabled the report and asked for committee views. Robert noted that since last November the overall financial position has been gradually improving, most likely due to the Pavilion returning to normal operation. Phil noted that utility costs have risen. (The last Pavilion gas bill was c. \$1000 whereas previously bills were in the order of \$500-ish.)

It was proposed that the Treasurer's report be approved.

Moved: Phil Robson
 Seconded: Tony Morris
 Agreed unanimously

It was proposed that financial transactions since last meeting (for Aug/Sep to date) as presented be ratified.

Moved: Phil Robson
 Seconded: Robert Yallop
 Agreed unanimously

Phil met with Michael Sinclair to talk about the AGM and tax implications from new rules. Michael has offered to meet with the Committee to explain how the new rules operate.

c) Actions

Committee noted the following update on actions.

Date	Action	Status
21/8/24	Phil to contact Michael Sinclair about the Review and October 16 AGM date and provide Michael with the necessary documentation.	Completed
21/8/24	Robert Yallop withdraw the application from the ACNC	Completed
21/8/24	Aaron Whittaker develop with Peter Browning one consistent incident reporting system for the VHDPA	Underway
21/8/24	Aaron Whittaker and Robert Yallop have a look at what is required for the Reserve and contact Kat McGilp for replacement trees and shrubs.	Underway

d) Correspondence (see schedule)

e) **Date** **In** **Out** **With** **Subject**

18-Aug-24		X	Chris Farmer ACT PG	Licence Hall Community Precinct
18-Aug-24		X	Yvette Berry	Hall Pavilion Licence
19-Aug-24	X		ACNC	Charitable & DGR Application
19-Aug-24	X		Chris Farmer ACT PG	Licence Hall Community Precinct
19-Aug-24		X	Chris Farmer ACT PG	Licence Hall Community Precinct
22-Aug-24		X	James Adams	Hall Pavilion Licence
23-Aug-24	X		Ellen Acheson	Hall Pavilion Licence
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e) Date	In	Out	With	Subject
23-Aug-24		X	Timothy Norton	Storm water follow up
23-Aug-24		X	Castley & Milligan	Storm water follow up
26-Aug-24	X		Timothy Norton	Storm water follow up
26-Aug-24	X		James Milligan	Storm water follow up
29-Aug-24		X	Ellen Acheson	Hall Pavilion Licence
29-Aug-24		X	ACNC	Charitable & DGR Application
30-Aug-24		X	Chris Farmer ACT PG	Licence Hall Community Precinct
30-Aug-24	X		Chris Farmer ACT PG	Licence Hall Community Precinct
30-Aug-24		X	Cheyne	Cycle path feasibility
30-Aug-24	X		Ellen Acheson	Hall Pavilion Licence
30-Aug-24		X	Ellen Acheson	Hall Pavilion Licence
01-Sep-24	X		Cheyne	Cycle path feasibility
02-Sep-24	X		ACNC	Charitable & DGR Application
02-Sep-24	X		Amy Goldstraw	Wallaroo Fire Shed Upgrade Support
03-Sep-24	X		Castley	Storm water follow up
04-Sep-24	X		Richmond Henty	Cycle path feasibility
04-Sep-24		X	Richmond Henty	Cycle path feasibility
06-Sep-24		X	Richmond Henty	Cycle path feasibility
06-Sep-24		X	Ellen Acheson	Hall Pavilion Licence
09-Sep-24	X		Michael Sinclair	ATO
09-Sep-24		X	Michael Sinclair	ATO
10-Sep-24	X		Amy Goldstraw	Wallaroo Fire Shed Upgrade Support
10-Sep-24		X	Amy Goldstraw	Wallaroo Fire Shed Upgrade Support
11-Sep-24	X		Neil Shepherd	Wallaroo Fire Shed Upgrade Support
11-Sep-24	X		Amy Goldstraw	Wallaroo Fire Shed Upgrade Support
11-Sep-24		X	Amy Goldstraw	Wallaroo Fire Shed Upgrade Support
11-Sep-24	X		Ben Cranston	Solar Farm Wallaroo Approved
11-Sep-24		X	Ben Cranston	Barton Hwy Intersection
11-Sep-24	X		Timothy Norton	Storm water follow up
12-Sep-24	X		Ellen Acheson	Hall Pavilion Licence
12-Sep-24		X	Ellen Acheson	Hall Pavilion Licence
13-Sep-24	X		ACT Heritage	Grant Reporting

Committee noted the issue of the new Licence for the School Precinct and the correspondence back and forth about the Hall Pavilion Licence.

4. Reports of VHDP Subcommittees

a) Hall Heritage Centre

Phil attended the Annual Meeting which went well. A number of successful school visits have occurred. Mardi will be on leave for a couple of months, school visits will be on hold while she is away.

Preparations are continuing for the band concert.

Committee noted that a Conservation Management Plan is being prepared by ACT Property Group for the School site. A draft has been circulated and comments are being collated. It is recommended that one consolidated response be prepared for the President to send to the consultants.

An ACT Heritage grant has been received for reprinting the Gillespie publication and preparing a small publication, the President and Lee-Ann have signed the deed.

b) Hall Men's Shed

Aaron noted memberships are steady at c.70. Good bbq last fortnight with around 56 people attending. Christmas party no track. Greater glider box project on track. Annual Meeting tomorrow at Pavilion. Aaron has been designing some merchandise for the Men's shed, hats, sweat shirts etc. Aaron will show proposed designs to Robert before proceeding. Men's Shed reps will travel to Tarago for a visit on 13 October.

c) Hall Facilities – Pavilion and Cottage

Jan updated about some recent cancellations, although hiring is generally on track, there have been some recent expenses including the side door lock. Jan will shortly purchase new paper supplies. Margaret noted that a new user of the Cottage is lined up – offering wellness classes. The hirer will offer 8 classes per week at an hourly rate of \$30. Sessions will not coincide with other users.

Robert summarised discussions with ACT Government about the Pavilion licence. In the ACT Labor response to election commitment questions, Susan Orr came back to the Committee with a response on the School site but not the Pavilion. School site licence has subsequently been completed. Robert has since contacted Yvette Berry's office, and then called a representative from Tara Cheyne's office to see if it could be followed up. Robert then received a phone call from City Services. Last communication was that City Services are looking to determine what is the appropriate government entity to be responsible for the Pavilion. Robert is contemplating suggesting that ACT Property Group could also be responsible for Pavilion, similar to school site. Tony noted that when renovations were made to the Pavilion it was handed over to ACT Property group, and then transferred back to Sport and Rec.

5. Other Business

a) Mount Spring Association – see above

b) Wallaroo and region update – Wallaroo Fire Shed

Solar farm has been approved although an appeal might occur. VHDPA has written to proponent representative about road condition and safety. Robert and Toni met with Wallaroo Fire Brigade to talk about some grants that they are applying for to improve wash down facilities. The Brigade would like VHDPA support and was going to provide a draft letter. They will also be undertaking some fundraising activities. Yass Shire Council elections occurred recently.

c) Annual General Meeting

AGM will be scheduled for mid October.

Robert suggested that a more convenient time and location for the AGM could coincide with the Thursday meetings of the subgroups on 17 October. Lunch could be put on afterwards.

It was proposed that the AGM be held on 17 October at 11:30 am the School Precinct and light refreshments will be provided afterwards. Robert will arrange catering.

Proposed: Phil Robson

Seconded: Aaron Whittaker

Carried unanimously

d) Hall Storm Water Infrastructure

Robert gave an update on the current status of this project. Detailed design works are underway and the assessment appears to be technically rigorous.

e) Hall to Clarrie Hermes cycle/ pedestrian path

Robert also updated the committee about a conversation with the City Services project manager including a request for a meeting. Robert, Margaret and Lee-Ann met with the project manager last week to talk about ideas and formed the view that the planning work is progressing extremely well.

f) Hall Reserve Work Day

Date proposed for work day is 27 October. Robert will try to get an update into the Rural Fringe.

g) School site CMP

Robert will forward the report to the Committee. A response will be coordinated by Jan with the Heritage Centre for Robert to send back to the consultants.

Next meeting will be a brief meeting to accept the Annual Accounts and Annual Review prior to the AGM on 17 October. As soon as we have the documents from Michael Sinclair, Robert will set up a brief Zoom meeting.

AGM will be at 11.30 am 17 October, 2024.