



# TRURO AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

## MINUTES

### Meeting held at the Oval, TRURO Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 7.40pm.

**1. Welcome:** The Chairman R Dawkins welcomed members M. Anderson, C Fox, R Munchenberg, J Schrapel, R Sherwood, Cr. I Bormann, and guests Brevet Sgt Darren Brown of SAPOL Blanchetown, representatives from Lavender Federation Trail and G Christie.

**2. Apologies:** G Sweeney, K Falkenberg **Moved:** R Munchenberg **Seconded:** C Fox The apologies be received. **Carried.**

**3. Lavender Federation Trail:** Representatives George Adams and Chris Bushell made a presentation to the Board on the status of the Lavender Federation Trail as it nears Truro. The trail currently is 171 kilometres long and will add 50 km soon. The trail is set 80% on road reserves, plus private land with permission, avoiding roadway as much as possible. There are stiles at all fences so walkers do not have to handle gates. The trail is volunteer managed. The trail passes near rural towns for economic benefit. Walking is getting very popular, and walkers will spend money. Hotels, etc have reported increased sales as the trail has developed. Current publicity for the trail includes a web site, brochures, and email newsletter. There are 2 trail maps available for purchase, #3 coming soon. Personal membership is \$10/yr. Next year the Walking Federation will have an Opening Day at Truro, Moculta or Springton to focus attention on the Lavender Trail. The Lavender Trail ties in with part of the Kidman Trail. From Truro the trail will head north to Eudunda, cross the Heysen Trail and eventually reach Clare. There will be a large trail marker sign funded by Mid Murray Council to be sited in Truro. The trail is working on access to the disused railway corridor. The Walking Federation works closely with community groups, schools, and will seek a bit of advertising and support from locals. If we are interested in having Opening Day in Truro we should connect with SARTI and Walking Federation.

**4. Brevet Sergeant Darren Brown:** spoke to the meeting introducing himself as the new Officer representing the Police Force in Blanchetown and Truro. He has been 4 months in Blanchetown, 7 yrs on the force. His patrol covers a wide area from Waikeri to Truro and Dutton. To deal with hoon driving around Truro, he needs people to identify violating autos and give statements. Sgt Brown will be here at least 2 years. He has visited the school and most businesses, and will go to school regularly. He will come to Truro and do speed checks, RBT etc.

#### **5. Minutes:**

**Moved:** M Anderson **Seconded:** R Sherwood The minutes of meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011 be accepted as circulated. **Carried.**

#### **6. Business Arising from Minutes:**

**6.1 – War Memorial –** No report

**6.2 – Plaque –** M Anderson has not heard yet in regards to the plaque.

**6.3 - Board Vacancy** - G Christie indicated his interest in becoming a member of the Board. As there is now another vacancy due to R Schonfeldt's resignation at the last meeting there is still an obligation to find one more Board member.

**Moved:** R Sherwood **Seconded:** C Fox That G Christie be nominated and welcomed as a member of the Board of the TDCAI **Carried.**

**6.4 – Old Wagon –** R Munchenberg reported he had been in contact with the wagon owner. She bought it 20 years ago, and it currently sits in her mother's garden. The owner saw the development of Pioneer Park and would like it to come back to Truro, but wants it replaced. Comparable items cost \$5000, plus shipping.

**Moved:** C Fox **Seconded:** R Sherwood That we thank the owner and keep in touch, but not undertake to purchase anything at this time. **Carried**

**6.5 – Bike Park Plans –** Chris Fox has been in liaison with Shane Thompson of MMC re the drawing up of plans for Truro. He needs contour map info to pass on to the design firm to produce quote.

**6.6 - Store Room –** M Anderson reported. The new door is in. Need to get it painted.

**6.7 - Oval insurance –** R Bourne will be contacted re this issue.

**6.8 - Remembrance Day -** M Anderson has spoken to P Schultz of Nuriootpa RSL. They can come in June or July to talk about protocol. RSL is doing a service this Friday in High School if anyone wants to go and see how the standard service can be adapted.

#### **7. Correspondence:**

**7.1 Correspondence: - In**

**7.1.1-** Email correspondence from PIRSA re signage in the car park for Easter. J Fry says \$200 fee be paid to the Association.

**7.1.2** – D Gollan re support for TV repeater. We need to write Patrick Secker to take our request to the federal government.

**7.1.3** -- Shane Thompson re Fun Box

**7.1.4** -- MP Dan Van Horst Pelekann re community grants.

**7.1.5** -- KESAB Sustainable Community Competition. Close 21 may.

**7.1.6** -- Health Inspector from MMC approving facilities at Oval.

**7.2 Correspondence: - Out**

**7.2.1** – none

**8. Business Arising from Correspondence:**

**8.1.1-** Letter to be written to the Member for Barker, Patrick Secker re the TV repeater.

**8.1.2-** KESAB. **Moved:** R Munchenberg **Seconded:** M Anderson That the Association not participate in the KESAB competition this year. **Carried.**

**Moved:** R Sherwood **Seconded:** G Christie That the Correspondence be received. **Carried.**

**9. Reports:**

**9.1 Treasurer:** - K Falkenberg is an apology, so chair presented the financial information

**9.1.1 - Financial statements.**

**Account Balances**

Society Cheque	\$ 1,530.57	0.85% Interest AT CALL
Power Saver	\$26,237.74	3.50% Interest AT CALL
Term Deposit	<u>\$ , 8000.00</u>	5.45 % Interest matures 17-4-2011
	\$ 35,768.31	

**Moved:** R Munchenberg **Seconded:** C Fox That the Financial Statements be received. **Carried.**

**9.1.2. – Accounts for Payment.**

BV Lawnmowing \$ 1,772.38 Mowing Dec, March, April

**Moved:** R Sherwood **Seconded:** C Fox That the accounts be paid. **Carried.**

**Moved:** G Christie **Seconded:** J Schrapel That funds be reinvested as follows \$20,000 @ 6.00% for 6months, \$5,000 @ 5.45% for 4months, \$9,300 remain in Power Saver A/c. **Carried.**

**9.1.3 – Budget items:** There was discussion re budget for the coming year. Chair proposed that the Association contribute \$5000 towards the next stage of Pioneer Park: stage 2 signage, plantings, furniture, paving.

Chair has committed the funds talking to Kelvin Goldstone of MMC. The next TPAC meeting is 18<sup>th</sup> May. At which time we should know more about budget and timetable for further works in the park.

**Moved:** M Anderson **Seconded:** R Munchenberg That the Association put \$5000 in budget for Pioneer Park **Carried**

M Anderson reported that the Oval and Hall committee met last night, and recommended the following budget figures:

OVAL

Mowing and fertilising	6,000
Windows	200
Sundries	500
R&M – General	1,000

HALL

Power	1,000
Painting	1,500
Windows	350
R&M	<u>350</u>

TOTAL 10,900

**Moved:** M Anderson **Seconded:** G Christie That the Association request a maintenance grant amount of \$10,900. **Carried**

**9.2 Chairman:**

**9.2.1 – Development** – At the meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> April with reps from the Association of C Fox, M Anderson and R Dawkins and from Council being the Mayor Dave Burgess, CEO Dean Gollan, Chief Planner Geoff Parsons and Cr. Inez Bormann a number of issues were discussed in relation to the future development of the town of Truro with Council being very supportive.

They are:-

- 1) The current state of the Development Plan Amendment. At present this is being held up by the EPA as are a number of plans across the state. This issue is being assisted by the Department of Planning and Local Government; however, there is no answer as to when this might get Ministerial approval. When this happens staff will make a press release to indicate that the Plan has been approved indicating that there is room for expansion of Truro.

- 2) The projects that are currently underway include the Storm Water Management which was one of the recommendations of the Integrated Water Management Plan that was completed by Australian Water Environments in August 2008. An application to the Storm Water Management Authority has been made for works in Truro. Also a contract let to Rural Solutions for the design work for Moorundie Street upgrade with the design to be done in sympathy with the Pioneer Park upgrade, of which funding for Stage 2 has been applied for. At the same time as these on ground works are done it would be beneficial to include any pipework for a waste water scheme to be included in the works, particularly in Moorundie Street.
- 3) The low porosity of the soil in Truro means the amount of waste water that is not being dealt with in a proper manner is of very serious concern to Council's health officers and is a health risk to the town and water table. The installation of a proper wastewater treatment plant is of critical importance and of high priority to alleviate any current health problems and to allow for any orderly development of the town. With the increasing cost of potable water, re-use of the waste water for watering the Oval and sale of excess to commercial entities will be a high priority. A consultant is to be engaged to work out a strategy for a survey of the town for a waste water scheme as a high priority. NOTES: Council can provide loans for people who might have trouble meeting costs of water schemes, when the time comes to move. Council will need Association's efforts to prepare people for the implementation of waste control.
- 4) It was agreed that the CEO would contact the Managers of the Murraylands and Barossa RDA to seek out support for funding for infrastructure upgrades that would be required to facilitate any significant development to the town as these facilities will have to be upgraded to allow any significant proposal to proceed.

**9.3 Secretary:-** Nil

**9.4 Oval & Hall Sub-committee:** M Anderson reported on the Budget. See 9.1.3

**9.5 Web Site:** C Fox reported. Booking calendar updated to June. One query from web site re bookings.

**9.6 Council:** - Cr I Bormann – She has received replies from J Fry to enquiries about local infrastructure maintenance issues.

**9.6.1 - Dahlia Farm Rd- Failure of Bitumen surface.** Patching work started on 12 April.

**9.6.2- East Terrace Dangerous situation with the new Kerb and Gutter.** Council have installed a black and white chevron at this point. There was comment in the meeting regarding the small size of the chevron.

**9.6.3 - Street Rubbish Bins –**It is already on the program to fix but due to the storm damage we have not had time. I have sent another email to Chris reminding him. Hope it will be done soon.

**9.6.4 – Car Park Entry -** The car park problem may be fixed with the help of DTEI

**9.6.5 – Street lights -** The issue with the street lights should be taken up with ETSA. It doesn't affect our bill as we are billed per street light as there is no meter on them. It is a simple matter of ringing up ETSA with the number of the power pole.

**9.6.6 - PIRSA Variable Message Sign –** This issue has been resolved with Council approval being given for placement of the sign in the car park over Easter with the proceeds being received by the Association.

**Yesterday MMC put together a committee for integrated water management implementation.** Cr Bormann will be on it. There are 5 such plans in place along river, plus Sedan and Truro. Truro is first and most complete. The Mayor will make sure that Truro's implementation is kept moving.

**Eco tour brochure.** The Mayor likes this advertising product and thinks it's worth more money than some other tourism funding.

**Moved:** C Fox    **Seconded:** J Schrapel    That the reports be received. **Carried.**

## **10. General Business:**

### **10.1– Any other Business:-**

G Christie to report on a grant application for solar power for Truro Primary school at next meeting

R Munchenberg queried newsletter status, and asked if copies will go to council. Secretary responded that 260 have been printed and are in the PO. Some copies will go into the local mail run as well.

A window is cracked at the Hall and needs repair.

**11. Next Meeting:** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 8.00 p.m. at the Oval Complex.

**12. Close:** Meeting closed at 10.28 p.m.