

Minutes of Basin Villages Forum General Meeting, Monday June 17, 2013, at St Georges Basin Community Centre, Meriton Street, St Georges Basin. Commenced at 7.37 pm

**Welcome:** Clr. Clive Robertson. 10 attendees.

**Apologies:** Pam Wells. Chris Grounds. Joan & Tom McDonald. John Fimmano. Norm Webb. Linda. Clr Gemma Tribe.

**Minutes** from last general meeting: Read by Chair. Matters arising:

- gravel on public footpaths from private yards – owner of property is responsible for clean up.
- Martin Uptis will be Speaker at July meeting.
- Foreshore land - defer to general business.

Moved: Rebecca Rudd, 2<sup>nd</sup> David Reynolds.

#### CORRESPONDENCE IN

**Letters** from Council.

- Shoalhaven Medal Nominations.
- Gravel on public footpaths from private driveways.
- Stewart Place bus interchange - upgrade & improvements
- Adoption of DCP 100 Subdivision Code (usable flood free land on new residential lots)

**Emails** from Council

- CSP adoption
- Local Government community hearing
- Notice of Development Applications.
- Home safety event
- Draft LEP Development Committee meeting dates
- Men's Health Expo at Bunnings
- Road works intersection MacGibbon & The wool Road
- Proposed location Multi Storey Car Park Nowra CBD
- Aerial weed spraying
- Martin Uptis confirmation of speaking at 15th July general meeting

**Other** emails/letters in:

- Justin Field: CSG meeting, Nowra, June 17.
- Chris Grounds: Hest #27 newsletter
- Tony Blain: Allen Kruse from Sanc Pt Pride Group, invitation to Forum to participate in September festival.
- Chris Grounds: Hest #28

#### CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Two letters to Council.

1. Nomination of Chris Grounds for Nat Resources committee, replacing Maureen Webb
2. Regarding foreshore land around Sanctuary Point (previously owned by Mr Wassell)

David moved, to be accepted. Maureen Webb 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

**Draft LEP:** BVForum's specific LEP issues.

1. Change of permissible building height in block of land in St Georges Basin precinct. Current DCP states 8 metre limit. However in case of 2 blocks in Island Point Road, the landowner requested 13m; Council allowed. This is a post-exhibition substantial change and the community was NOT consulted.
2. Corner block of land in St Georges Basin where goats are kept. Again, one landowner requested rezoning, and Council granted it; from rural zoning to residential without community consultation. Council said they would rezone 'like for like'.

• **These two matters were brought to Clr Robertson's attention for him to investigate.**

**Foreshore Land** – Eastern side of Sanctuary Point: now zoned 'operational'.

**Congratulations recorded to Alan Stephenson**, for having a new species of terrestrial orchid named after him. "Stephenson's Midge Orchid".

Wallace Bourke had previously dropped in a note to the Chair: "*The Forum has a last chance under this criteria to have a joint police ambulance station in the Basin as outlined it needs a group like your to submit to the Infrastructure Fund as we all know we don't have infrastructure (police ambulance station) in the Basin.*"

**National Tree Planting day:** Yellow-bellied Glider Reserve - Friday 16 August. Eastern end of Maxwell Crescent, Sanctuary Point.

**NSW White Paper.** Forum submission due by 28<sup>th</sup> June.

**'Spring into Sanctuary Point':** Alan Kruse spoke on this event, 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2013.

**SPEAKER** next meeting Martin Uptis from Council.

**Clive Robertson** introduced himself as a new Councillor for Ward 2, of Shoalhaven City Council.

**Branches overhanging footpath** from pine trees on private land, on Western side of Island Point Road. The Forum members who raised this issue, were asked to provide text & pics, for Forum to send letter to Council.

Meeting closed 8.30 pm.