

WONGA PARK AND DISTRICT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on Friday 14 September 1990

PRESENT: Pastor Eric Kenyon, Irene Kenyon, Mathew Doensen
Barry Box, Jack Nikolou, Philip Glenister,
(23) Albert & Jean Aird, Warren & Cathy Truepenny
Lynda Hickling, Anne Hower, Drew & Fleur Diamond
Eric & Margaret Fankhauser, Kristine Broom,
Jeff Spencer, Ian McDonald, Doug Bates, R Ord,
Helmut Brauer, Mike Tapper.

GUESTS: Planning Consultants: Stuart Somers, John Cricco.

APOLOGIES: Pam Fallon, Murray & Sue Couper, Anne Atkinson,
Michael Fieldew

MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated.
Councillor Broom pointed out three inaccuracies:

- . Dept of Planning & Urban Development have determined to grant a permit for the Balcombe Ave M/bark netball Courts. Permit not yet granted.
- . Crushed rock footpath - Yarra Rd Primary has only been examined and not referred to estimates.
- . No permit is required for the proposed deer farm in Jamiesons Rd.

Barry Box moved that the Minutes be adopted, seconded Lynda Hickling - carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN

Shire of Lillydale - Invitation to panel hearing on L66
Shire of Lillydale - Application from Dept Planning & Urban
Growth for funding for groups involved
in improving the environment
Dept Cons & Environment - Newsletter on photocopiers

OUT

Shire of Lillydale - Congratulating Council on incl Wonga
Park ODP in L66 amendment and
accepting invitation to attend Panel
hearing.

Mike Tapper moved that inward correspondence be accepted and outward approved, seconded Anne Hower - carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Mike Tapper and Phillip Glenister gave a brief outline of the L66 Panel hearing held on Mon 10 Sept 1990. The terms of reference of the Panel appeared very narrow and were confined to the size of minimum allowable subdivision of residential land only. The Chairperson of the Panel seemed concerned that the intention to raise the minimum allowable subdivision from 0.2 to 0.4 hectares may not have been adequately advertised to all affected residents. The panel anticipates that a report will be made on the whole L66 amendment (which includes Wonga Park ODP, Coldstream Airfield, Bailey Rd Mt Evelyn development & Eastwood Golf Course) in 2 mths time. The recommendations of the Panel are not legally binding and are purely recommendations only.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Last month's balance: \$422.26
Plus subscription and sponsorship: 25.00
Current balance: \$447.26

Barry Box moved that the report be accepted - seconded Jeff Spencer - carried.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

Deeside Investments have applied to Council for a permit to construct a retaining wall behind Beagley's Store - speed problem in Bellara Dve highlighted by an accident involving a pedestrian: A roundabout (\$30,000) or slow points (\$15,000 each) are being considered to slow traffic - Penderel Crt reserve to be discussed at West Riding meeting 17/9 following submission from Flora Anderson - application from Full Gospel Church for construction of church building in St Johns Rd - speed survey conducted in Old Yarra Rd shows 16% of vehicles exceed limit, slightly above the 12% generally found throughout the Shire. Old Yarra Rd will be included in the local area traffic management program but action is unlikely to occur in the near future.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Proposed Church in St Johns Rd:

Pastor Eric Kenyon showed plans for the new Church building intended to be constructed in St John's Rd. A Church is permitted use for the land subject to the granting of a permit by Council. The Church is designed for a maximum of 250 patrons and Pastor Kenyon indicated that there was no intention of increasing its capacity in the future. 70% of those who attend the Church live within a 3km radius. Objections have been made to Council and the matter is to be discussed at the West Riding meeting on 17 Sept.

Launders Ave Shopping Centre:

Planning consultants on behalf of the owners of the Launders Ave Shopping Centre, Stuart Somers and John Cricco, presented plans for a proposed extension to the existing centre. The proposal, yet to be put before Council, is put forward in response to an invitation by the Shire for all interested parties concerned with the direction of future commercial development in Wonga Park. It was argued that the Launders Ave location was the logical site for future development as it was a natural community centre. The Association's position on any future commercial development was pointed out and Mr Somers commented that such a blanket opposition may be unrealistic. If approved by Council, the submission would then undergo the normal display process to attract comment from interested parties. It was stressed that the proposal is a long term plan and if the Council does approve the proposal no construction would take place for some time.

Fences:

Discussion over the recently erected fences around the reserve land in Old Yarra Rd, Launderers Ave and Yarra Rd. Some time ago the Association wrote to Council suggesting that a fence should be constructed to protect plants and trees from damage caused by traffic, such as occurs during the cricket season. The Shire Landscape Planner has determined where fencing was required and adopted the lowest cost environmentally safe option for construction. There was some concern over the safety of pedestrians and horse riders due to the closeness of the fence to some parts of the roadway and its lack of visibility. The addition of a white top wire or replacement of the wire with solid pine cross pieces was discussed.

Helmut Brauer moved that we write to Council suggesting that the method of construction of the fence in the section along Old Yarra Rd between the Cottage and Launderers Ave and the section fronting the Hall in Old Yarra Rd and Launderers Ave be re-assessed. Further, that Council be requested to consider replacing the fence in these areas with a low pine fence (not necessarily continuous) which could also be set back from the roadway approximately 1 metre, provided there was no undue disturbance to existing trees and plants during construction. Alternatively, if Council does not decide to replace the fence in these areas, then the placement of a white strand along the top of the existing wire fence be considered to improve its visibility. Seconded Jeff Spencer - carried.

Jean Aird moved that Council investigate the availability of car parking at the Cottage. Since Wongaroo have been operating, all car parking seems to be taken up during the day leaving no space for those attending classes/courses at the Cottage. Apparently a staff parking area was to have been provided at the rear of Wongaroo but this was never completed. Seconded Barry Box - carried.

Jean Aird moved that Council investigate the installation of additional street lighting in Yarra Rd, seconded Albert Aird. The motion was put - and defeated.

Barry Box moved that we write to Council in support of the submission by Flora Anderson and endorse the recommendation by Shire staff as shown in the agenda for the West Riding Meeting on 17 Sept 1990. This letter to be delivered to Council in time for the West Riding meeting. Seconded Lynda Hickling - carried.

Jeff Spencer moved that discussion of the Constitution be deferred until the next meeting, seconded Albert Aird - carried.

It was resolved that a copy of the constitution be displayed in some public spot and perhaps discussed over a number of meetings, a bit at a time.

Meeting closed 10.19pm