

Minutes of General Meeting held on 11th February, 1983 at the Community Cottage at 8 p.m.

Acting Chairman, J. Upton, welcomed 14 members and acting Secretary, A. Aird.

Apologies were received from L. Hickling, J. Buist and M. Bluna.

Minutes of previous meeting (10-12-82) were circulated and confirmed on the motion of J. Kenwright and J. Penwill.

Treasurer's report: Credit balance... \$141-35

Account for payment; Feb. News and Notes ... \$12-40

Moved for acceptance and payment by T. VanWegberg, seconded by P. Fallon, carried.

Correspondence:

Outward:- Letter to Lillydale Council regarding several items listed for their attention in minutes of meeting 10th Dec. 1982.

Inward:- Reply from Lillydale Council regarding the above items.

Letter from Australia Post advising of extension of Postal deliveries in Wonga Park area from 2-2-1983 (letter forwarded from Mr. P. Falconer M.P.)

Letter from Wonga Park Playgroup (Mrs. McKee) re child inoculation services.

Letter from Natural Resources and Environment Committee re duplication of S.E.C. high tension line and meeting on site of concerned local representatives on 9-2-83

Request from Community Cottage group asking that the resident's Assoc. request Lillydale Express deliver their paper free in our area.

Moved by J. Kenwright and seconded by C. Lloyd that the correspondence out be confirmed and the inward be received.

Business arising:

J. Penwill said Lillydale Council proposed work on crests outside P.O. store in Jumping Creek Road for \$5,000.00. Commented that this would not go far. Councillors present had no specifics.

Letter deliveries from Postal Dept. covered 250 households in area and did not cover Gatters and Homestead Roads, Davis and other side roads. Moved by J. Aird and seconded by J. Kenwright that we ask the Australia Post for a complete cover.

In response to letter from Natural Resources and Env. committee, A. Aird and J. Upton met with the Shire Engineer, Councillors and S.E.C. officers at 7 p.m. on 9-2-1983 at corner of Coldstream West and Edwards Roads. S.E.C. reps. stated they were exploring possibilities, one of which was duplication of the present high tension line along the existing easement. Councillors said that they were strongly in favour of this route. The branch of high tension towers that goes South of Wonga Park was unaffected except that it would be inoperative for some time.

Letter from Wonga Park Playgroup said that while present service of inoculations would continue, council had indicated that a further review would be made in August/September 1983. Cr. Smith advised that at no time has council decided on a further review and that the further review was only the opinion of staff in search of economies. Suggested that the concern of the Playgroup and this Assoc. be included in News and Notes.

Councillor's Report;

Comment was made on recent resurfacing of Jumping Creek Rd. at substantial cost. Wonga Park Reserve landscaping was in progress and \$1500-00 was available. From Govt. sources, little doubt that the Board of Works will take over the Yarra Valley as the drainage authority. Residents can expect to be charged M.M.B.W. drainage rates. Rural land will not attract this rate. There is some doubt as to what is classed as rural land, but, it is thought that areas over one acre may qualify.

Sub committee has been formed to consider differential rating and preliminary work has been done.

On a question from J. Upton, (Chairman of Recreation Ground Committee), Councillors stated that no council capital works could be erected on the old cricket oval (e.g. toilets, recreation buildings), until the land has been signed over to council. A long discussion followed with councillors urging that somehow the Cricket club must resolve its problem and reach agreement with Council.

Councillor's Report (cont.)

Cr. Lee-Archer reported that the bus shelter at the corner of Yarra and Homestead Rds. would be removed shortly by council thus depriving several groups of youths of their headquarters. This prompted a long discussion on the present legitimate use of the shelter by children waiting for the school bus and on what should and could be done about the groups who caused the problems in this area. A motion was passed by J. Penwill and seconded by B. Box that representatives of the Residents Assoc. committee meet with the groups whom meet at the bus shelter with the view to discuss their behavior and its effect on the community. A member of the Residents Assoc. with contacts with some of the youths involved offered to arrange a meeting.

General Business;

J. Penwill drew attention to the lack of road signs during road maintenance and repair work. He suggested that residents should advise council if road contractors do not maintain proper temporary signs.

Meeting closed at 10-30- p.m.