

The Arrowtown Village Association Committee Meeting 7 pm – Thursday 28 April 2022

Arrowtown Community Rooms (Tennis Rooms)

Minutes

Meeting commenced at 7:03pm

Present: Susan Rowley (Chair), Dave Boe, Dave Harding-Shaw, Nick Fifield, Nicolet Spice, Graeme Morrison (apology late), Maria Burnett (Minutes Secretary).

Apologies: Heath Copeland, Pete Sygrove, Ben Teele.

Apologies moved as correct by Dave Harding Shaw and seconded by Nicolet. Carried.

Minutes of previous meeting: Moved by Nick that minutes correct, seconded Dave Boe. Carried.

Matters arising:

- QLDC Annual Plan Submission completed and sent in
- Survey Results – Alison using survey results for blog. Agreed that we are happy to publish general rankings/demographics, but not the written answers from the public (these are to be used internally to protect privacy of respondents). Nicolet has agreed to collating the survey results into a useful format.
- SoF Review progress – Susan forwarded the draft SoF Review Plan to John Glover last night (27 Apr) and received encouraging feedback. Committee have reviewed SoF Review Plan and have confirmed they understand and are satisfied with the plan. Unanimously agreed that AVA have adopted this as our plan for the review of the SoF Report and will forward to SoF board for their adoption. A reply is anticipated from the SOF board before next meeting.
- Cooper's Terrace - Nick proposes we invite Jan Morrison to do online AVA guest speaker presentation (Zoom) and invite AVA members to participate. Seconded by Dave Harding-Shaw. Carried.

Inwards Correspondence:

- OLCT – Acoustic Joint Witness Statement; Expert Evidence for EC Hearing – fwd Committee
- Arrowtown Chopper Updates re Beech Party fwd Committee
- Lucy Wormald, ODT – Wilding Pine and ORC Project statements for Mountain Scene
- QLDC Marie Day – MOU/Funding Agreement fwd Dave
- QLDC Parking Strategy Survey due 20 May fwd Nick, Alison
 - Public consult later on – maybe Brief Member Letter on key points for info?
 - Nick elected to work out the Parking Strategy on behalf of Committee
- QLDC Allene+Clarke re input for review of Responsible Camping Strategy
 - Need someone to do thorough proof read, to ensure is well set out (Susan has already done a brief proof read) - Nicolet has agreed do this (to be done ASAP)
- ORC – Annual Plan submission closes Fri 6 May – fwd Committee
 - Susan to submit something brief based off last year's submission (Clean Air, Bus Route, maybe Arrow River flow rates)
- Carlton Johnstone, Presbyterian Church, re footpaths for QLDC Annual Plan – accommodated
- QLDC confirming Annual Plan submission recvd

- SoF John Glover – Confirming details of review outline
- APBA Scott Julian invitation to Stakeholders Group meeting Mahu Whenua gateway project Tues 10 May – Linking Arrowtown CBD with Dudley's Cottage, Chinese Village, River and back country.
- Nicolet/Nicky Busst Arrow Lane Bins – Nicolet is working with Nicky Busst and Wayne to come up with a solution – wooden covers/storage sheds – May be a slow process however looks hopeful.

Outwards Correspondence:

- ODT Lucy Wormald – statements as requested
- Ken Swain acknowledging McDonnell Rd decision upheld
- Draft Annual Plan QLDC to committee
- QLDC Annual Plan submission
- QLDC Marie Day – MOU/Funding Agreement signed
- Hayley Delport – Loop Article (thanks Nick)
- Dennis Asher/Dave Laurent Mitre 10/Sara Clark re ORC project
- Jim Boult Olive Leaf update as requested
- SoF Review doc to Committee

Nicolet moved that correspondence has been read and dealt with. Seconded by Nick. Carried.

Treasurer's Report

- Reimbursement to Nick for Survey Monkey fee x2 – Dave will arrange this after the meeting tonight and Susan to approve.
- Otherwise everything else in report straightforward
- A large payment out to DOC for the Wildling Pines
- Any need for fundraising? – Dave thinks there is a need for some sort of regular fundraising. Particularly if going to be using Survey Monkey (Committee agrees that the fees for Survey Monkey are worthwhile). Nick noted that can use Facebook for one-question surveys. Fundraising ideas to be discussed under General Business.
- Dave has moved that Treasurer's Report is accepted and seconded by Nick. Carried.

Committee reports

Clean Air:

- Susan Rowley – We have one volunteer so far for the ORC ULEB project. Supplied a statement on the project to Mountain Scene for this week's publication.

Tracks:

- Dave Harding-Shaw - Good meeting with Briana and Sam from QLDC - Next step should be a site visit to Coronet Forrest with the key groups involved in setting up the tracks group. They will also put together an MOU for the clubs and AVA to sign at some stage to clarify responsibilities in the area. They will also be doing further public consultation, using the map we came up with as the basis for the track layout. They have indicated they may be able to use some of their funding for a proper survey of the tracks which would be super helpful.

Wilding Control:

- Ben – Clarification of community consultation process and Wilding Pine Strategy please – In Ben's absence, Graeme clarified that the problem with larches is that Arrowtown has perfect environment for them so they grow well and their seeds disperse. Research showing that

larch does not like shade, so one strategy could be to plant them in shade, to limit growth and prevent seed dispersal. Essentially, not everyone in Arrowtown agrees with all proposed tree removal. However, majority seem to understand and agree that the removal of wildling species in area is necessary and while it may create short-term disadvantages, such as temporary loss of trees, resulting in some exposed hillsides losing colour and appearing baren, it is best option in long-run. The wildling species can be removed and replaced with other coloured trees, to retain the coloured trees Arrowtown is known for.

General Business:

- Project ideas if not already covered – possible maintenance of pump track? Equipment? Partnership with scouts? APBA? - Susan to approach Arrowtown Primary School Principal to discuss possibility of surveying kids to find out usage of pump track and if there is a desire for improvement?
- The Loop Article – topic could be Wildling Pines (and potentially Bush Creek) – Ben and Graeme to write (if Ben is happy to do this) – 275 words + photo
- Fundraising ideas for AVA
 - Scratchie boards outside foursquare – Maria and Susan to arrange first scratchy board (Maria to approach Foursquare and ask for permission)
 - Pink Ribbon-style event with canapes, drinks, live music and auction
 - Long lunch – AVA gets 10% each year – Nick/Nicolet
 - Quiz nights
 - Pie & Pint
 - Christmas in July event
 - Stall at Farmers Market – Complaint Jar - \$1 – Sausage sizzle
 - Go Fund Me – Dave Harding-Shaw/Dave Boe

Meeting concluded at 8:55pm

Next Meeting: Thursday 26 May 7pm, Community Rooms