



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTIAL PARKS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC

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2024 SARPRA Annual General Meeting

COTA Meeting Room

12th November 2024

Present:

Chris Sloper, Colin Pye, David Tubb, Robert Wauchope, Clive Harris, Geoff Cann, Annette Haridan David Brindley, Tom Turbill, Mike Mulvihill, Bill Anderson, Michael Thornton.

Apologies: Nil

The meeting opened at 10.30 am with a welcome from President Chris Sloper.

Chris Sloper read the minutes of the 2023 AGM held on Wednesday, 14th November 2023.

It was noted that Tom Turbill was shown as an apology when he attended the 2023 AGM.

Amended Minutes are to be accepted: moved by Bill Anderson. Seconded: Tracey Small (Accepted as true and correct account).

Treasurer's Report:

Presentation of the annual general financial statements by Treasurer Clive Harris. (written report distributed by email). Financial books were not audited as Mr John Doyle was unavailable due to prolonged illness.

Clive has recommended moving from the WAVE financial system to something more compatible with Australian banking. Our ABN number should also appear on our invoices.

Northern Districts Residential Village (NDRC) monies from the closure of Social & Residents committees should be held in trust in a Term Deposit, and \$5000 from SARPRA funds should be added to that account.

Moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Annette Haridan Seconded Tom Turbill. Carried

Clive Harris had notified the committee that he would not be standing for election as Treasurer. The position was called because there had been no nominations before the AGM, and Michael (Mike) Mulvihill indicated that he was prepared to stand. A vote was taken, and the committee ratified his nomination.

As a result of this decision, the following will need to be done immediately.

- Michael (Mike) Mulvihill will be added to all Bank accounts under the SARPRA Association with People's Choice.
- John Fitzgerald should be removed as a signatory to the SARPRA Bank accounts with People's Choice.
- Michael (Mike) Mulvihill is to be registered for online banking for SARPRA with People's Choice
- Phil Byrne should be removed as a signatory for the SARPRA Bank accounts with People's Choice.

Moved Michael (Mike) Mulvihill to be ratified as Treasurer, and the above actions will be taken. Carried.

It was moved that Clive be given a bottle of Port as appreciation for his work. Carried.

Membership Fee: It will remain at \$10 per house. Membership is due on 1st September annually. If paid after 1st April, you will be considered a member for the following year. It will be reviewed in 2025.

I move that this be accepted. Clive Harris Seconded Bill Anderson and carried

Presidents Report: The incumbent President (Chris Sloper) thanked the committee for their hard work throughout the past year. Thanks to Clive for his service as Treasurer.

Report filed for Records (accepted)

After reading the nominations received before the meeting, the President declared all Officer Bearer/Committee positions vacant. R. Wauchope was Appointed Returning Officer.

Chris Sloper	The Palms	President
Tom Turbill	The Palms	Vice President
Geoff Cann	Seachange	Secretary
Mike Mulvihill	Rosetta	Treasurer
David Brindley	Waikerie	Web Master
Michael Thornton	Lakeside	Village Representative
Annette Haridan	Port Willunga	Village Representative
Tracey Small	Hindmarsh Island Caravan Park	Village Representative
Colin Pye	Rosetta	Village Representative
David Tubb	Woodcroft	Village Representative
Wendy McLeod	McLaren Vale	Village Representative

Election Results: As all positions were unopposed Election & Appointments “**Declared**”

There were two nominations for the vice president position: Bill Anderson and Tom Turbill. Both members left the room, and a show of hands appointed Tom vice president. When Chris Sloper handed over the president position to Tom, Chris would become a committee member, and Bill could fill the position of Vice President.

Other Business:

Position of President: Annette proposed that a succession plan should “go to the floor” rather than pick someone.? Chris explained that he and Tom had spent much time together as it was a complex position that could not be learnt in a week or so.

Michael Thornton suggested that there were understudies for critical positions (learn on the job), and Chris Sloper agreed with the concept. This will be implemented.

Training in Advocacy: Annette suggested we consider training in Advocacy, possibly from COTA, as we appear to be getting more involved. Chris will raise the subject with Miranda Starke, COTA SA.

SARPRA Website: Chris complimented David Brindley on the new website, saying that it brought us into the 21st Century.

David said he had looked at PAYPAL for fee payments on our website. He said it cost 41 cents per

transaction, but it had the advantage of an inbuilt renewal option and did not require residents to be members of PAYPAL. Clive agreed that it was worth the 41-cent charge for an efficient system.

Fund Raising.

David Brindley has registered our interest in taking on the People's Choice Lottery. There was discussion about selling tickets, which has become more difficult due to the number of social clubs, schools, etc., using it to raise additional money. The consensus was that we should certainly enter the lottery.

Registering as a Charity could be an issue as we may have difficulty obtaining registration as a charitable organisation. Michael Thornton suggested that we may come under the Elder Abuse banner.

Meeting at CBS

Mike Thornton asked why the issues of fencing and increased rent were not discussed at the meeting held at Consumer Business Services on 30 October 2024. When the meeting started, it was clear that only one hour was allocated for it, and the purpose was to map a way forward that would reduce the number of cases going before SACAT. I brought up the two subjects in the last five minutes of the meeting, but there was no discussion.

Although no issues were resolved, Chris and I viewed it as a step forward.

Other issues

We have joined our counterparts in Queensland and Victoria in writing to the federal Minister Steven Jones MP, requesting that Residential Parks residents be included in the upcoming Consumer Business Services ministers' COAG, which will be held in December about Aging. A letter was also sent to our state member, Andrea Michaels, to inform her of the issues being sent to Canberra.

Michael Thornton spoke about the Lakeside swimming pool being the subject of a TV news segment after a chlorine gas incident involving HAZMAT and SAAS crews. Michael also discovered (through a family incident) that the ropes attached to life-saving equipment in the pool area had rotted. He asked if this was an OH&S issue, to which Chris Sloper said it was.

Annette Haridan told us that her park had experienced a thirty-hour blackout. The cause was a damaged underground cable. Village management made no effort to supply auxiliary power and, when challenged by Annette, Dan Orken, the owner, stated that it was an act of God, so in his mind, he did not need to resolve the issue.

The Meeting Closed at 11.55

The next Meeting is on the 10th of December 2024 at 9.00 am (Zoom)

Chris Sloper
President

Geoff Cann
Secretary