

AIREYS INLET & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY 27 APRIL 2019

MINUTES

1. WELCOME/ PRESENT

Charlotte Allen (President) welcomed everybody to the AGM.

Members Present:

Charlotte Allen, David Beauchamp, Angela Berry, Keith & Mary Bremner, Suzanne Cavanagh, Rachel Faggetter, Jim Falk, Julie Fink, Barbara & Lloyd Fletcher, Ian Godfrey, Jane Grant, Barbara Hammond, David Isaac, Gary Johnson, Anne Le Lievre, Chris & Brigitte Lloyd, Nan McNab, Catherine McNaughton, Peter McPhee, Kim Neubecker, Lecki Ord, Ian & Anne Porter, John Rawling, Heather Rice, Chris Ryan, Jenny Stephens, James & Margaret St John, Maureen Tehan, Frieda Wachsmann, Margaret White, Alison Witcombe, Trudy Wyse

Guests:

Margot Smith, Surf Coast Shire Councillor (Anglesea Ward)

Forum Attendees:

Libby Coker, Endorsed Labor Candidate for Federal Seat of Corangamite

Damien Cole, Independent Candidate for Federal Seat of Corangamite

Simon Northeast, Endorsed Greens Candidate for Federal Seat of Corangamite

Kim Cope, Robin Dahl, Martin Coker, David Toffler, Deborah Isaac, Alex Marshall

2. APOLOGIES

Margaret Beavis, Janice Carpenter, Adrienne Clarke, Annette Comte, Mary-Jane Gething, Ros Gibson, Claire Hanley, Lynne Howard, John and Lindsey Howe, Barbara and Dennis Leavesley, Michael Loughnan, Aurore Mulkens, Tibor Novak and Penny Robins

3. PRESENTATION BY SURF COAST SHIRE COUNCILLOR

Margot Smith (MS) thanked AIDA for inviting her to attend the AGM and made the following points:

- It was very crowded over the Easter weekend at Aireys Inlet and Anglesea;
- On the future for the Alcoa site in Anglesea, the State Government has released its plan on the Futures Land Use for the area.
 - Not all the community is happy with it.
 - People want to retain the bike path in its current location.
- In her ward two developments had been refused due to over-development
 - the old motel application for development of a 3-story building which would have built out to the edges
 - the hardware store which was over the height limit, built out to the edges and limited vegetation.

- The community was encouraged to submit objections, and these were supported by the Surf Coast Shire.
- The Anglesea community is working on a street scape plan.
- Encouraged attendees to look at the draft Council budget and ways the Council can improve expenditure or income
 - it has been challenging in view of revenue with rate capping
 - the budget does not include any consideration about a swimming pool which Federal candidates from different parties have promised
 - but will inevitably be discussed again following the election.
- Advised that she deliberately would not talk about the Painkalac Valley
 - she nevertheless appreciated all the work that AIDA had done
 - and its information and opinions.

There were no questions from attendees.

4. MINUTES OF LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 28 APRIL 2018

The Minutes of the AGM on 28/4/18 had previously been circulated to all members and copies were also distributed at the meeting on 27/4/19.

There were two amendments:

(a) The election of committee members for 2018/2019.

Adam Rudy should not be on the list of nominees as he had already retired.

(b) Questions and Comments to the CEO

Mr St John was quoted that his concern about the development of a new walking path along the Painkalac Creek. He stated that his main concern was with protection of wildlife, in particular kangaroos. It was agreed to amend the minutes accordingly.

Motion “to accept the minutes as a true record of the 2018 Annual General Meeting”

Moved by Peter McPhee

Seconded by Barbara Fletcher

Agreed

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Charlotte Allen acknowledged the traditional owners and welcomed the candidates for the upcoming Federal Election, AIDA members and members of the community.

She presented the President’s Report for 2018 (a copy of which will be published in the next newsletter and on the AIDA website).

No questions were asked.

Painkalac Valley

Charlotte Allen and Ian Godfrey provided information regarding the agreement which was reached at the mediation session over the Painkalac Valley on 26 April 2019. They advised that the discussions held at the meeting were confidential. Charlotte read out the agreement:

“1. The land will be managed by the owners consistent with permits and planning controls relating to the land. This undertaking was provided specifically by Tim Wood.

2. The parties will pursue open and honest communications via email and also in person if required.

3. Tim Wood indicated he would support a study aimed at developing a drainage and environment study for the area and make a submission to Council with this matter being progressed.”
(Ian commented that Tim agreed to investigating the run off of water and to turn the area into a proper wetland.)

“4. AIDA representatives indicated they support this initiative which should be provided in the 2019/2020 budget.

5. In relation to Adam’s ‘camp area’ - Adam undertakes to work with Gabrielle to develop a plan for his area.

6. The parties agree there will be enhanced maintenance and restoration drains each of the house envelopes.”
(Ian commented that there are three conservation management areas. Lot 2 is being rehabilitated and there are two on Lot 3 – Adam O’Halloran will take responsibility for one area and Tim Wood for the other.)

“7. Tim indicated he would be aerating the soil in the near future.”
(Ian commented that Tim will reseed the area.)

“8. Tim and Caroline agree that future fencing will not include white fence ‘droppers’.”
(Charlotte commented that Caroline would be happy to have the existing white dropper removed or spray painted at AIDA’s expense.)

“9. Gabrielle agreed to remove the bottom wire on the boundary between the Council reserve and the adjoining land owners.

10. Bill Cathcart indicated the Council would be prepared to review the existing 173 agreement with each landowner with a view to greater clarity and improved environmental outcomes. This work would be commenced as soon as practical.

11. Council will pursue dialogue with parties via a pre-application conference/information session within one month in relation to the new bridge structure being proposed by Tim and Caroline Wood”.

Ian advised that questions were asked about the application for a new bridge. CCMA and DELWP have given approval in principal. Council will also need to give approval in principal. The application for planning approval will be publicly advertised. Bill Cathcart thought it might be a good idea to have a round table discussion to find out all the concerns about the bridge.

An officer will make the decision about the planning application in principal and not the Council.

Questions were asked about the Mediation:

Kim Neubecker asked about the legality of building structures on the lots.

Ian advised that it was his understanding that structures can only be erected for and on behalf of a listed agency (Council, Parks Victoria, DELWP). All other structures should be prohibited, but this was not the view that Bill Cathcart presented. There remain a number of uncertainties and more work needs to be done.

Barbara Fletcher asked if the CCMA and DELWP had given approval in principal.

Ian Godfrey confirmed that they had.

Peter McPhee commented that, despite the good will statement (no 1) from by Tim Wood, the CCMA has certain views and Council does not necessarily agree. Fundamental issue – exactly what does the CMP mean in practise and how to get more clarity about the meaning of it?

Ian Godfrey advised that AIDA can go back to VCAT and ask for a compliance order as distinct from an enforcement order.

Charlotte Allen advised that AIDA needs to go back to its lawyers and advise them of the agreement and get advice re way forward. Could also get some advice re the CMP.

Jane Grant indicated she was concerned about mediation by the Department of Justice. Thought someone should make sure that participants were on the right track.

Charlotte Allen advised that most of the issues were covered by the mediation.

Ian Godfrey advised that AIDA will probably need to go to another level to get a determination.

Jane Grant agreed and thought AIDA needed to get some clarity.

Charlotte Allen thought it may be necessary to hold a meeting with members to canvass their concerns.

Catherine McNaughton asked about soil erosion.

Charlotte Allen thought that aerating the soil would make it better – it would open the soil up to allow it to absorb more water and generate grass growth.

Ian Godfrey thought it was better to aerate than fertilise soil.

Ian Godfrey indicated that the outcome of the proposal by Bill Cathcart to review the Section 173 Agreement came as a surprise. He explained the Section 173 Agreement.

6. ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The Annual Financial Report was distributed at the meeting.

Ian Godfrey presented the Financial Report (which was his 9th report).

Advised that the income from membership fees and donations remains at 30%.

The equity holding can be seen as income to protect our environment, such as going to VCAT.

No questions were asked.

Motion “that the 2018 Financial Report be received”

Moved by Ian Godfrey

Seconded by Charlotte Allen

Agreed

7. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Charlotte Allen asked if there were any further nominations from the floor. None received.

Charlotte thanked the retiring committee members, Janice Carpenter, Ian Godfrey, Gary Johnson and Lecki Ord for their service and reported that the following nominations have been received for positions on the 2019/2020 Committee:

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| President: | Charlotte Allen |
| Vice President: | Barbara Fletcher |
| Secretary: | Mary-Jane Gething |
| Treasurer: | Frieda Wachsmann |

Committee Members: Suzanne Cavanagh
Annette Comte
Catherine McNaughton
Peter McPhee
Anne Porter
Ian Porter
Chris Ryan

There being no more than one person nominated for each position on the Committee, the persons listed above were declared to have been elected to the new Committee.

RESOLUTION that the number of ordinary members of the AIDA Committee to hold office for 2019/2020 should be twelve.

Moved by Ian Godfrey
Seconded by Chris Ryan
Agreed

8. MEMBERSHIP FEE AND DUE DATE

Motion **“that the AIDA membership fee remain at \$10 per voting member i.e. a single membership will be \$10 and a family membership \$20, and that the due date remain the 1st January”**

Jane Grant thought the fees are too low and suggested the \$10 fee be \$20.
Charlotte Allen advised that the fees were discussed at AIDA’s last meeting and members thought it should remain the same. Will look at it next year.

Motion moved by Ian Godfrey
Seconded by Chris Ryan
Agreed

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

10. QUESTIONS FROM ATTENDEES

There were no questions from the attendees

11. CLOSURE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The President closed the meeting at 3.50 pm.

12. CANDIDATES FORUM

Libby Coker, Damien Cole and Simon Northeast made their presentations and took questions from the AGM attendees.

13. REFRESHMENTS

