HERBERT RIVER IMPROVEMENT TRUST

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Friday 3rd March 2017
at 9.00 am

A. ATTENDANCE – Present were Mr RA Bosworth (Chairperson), Mrs LF Carr (Secretary), Cr AJ Lancini (Member), Cr WG Skinner (Member), Mr KT Phillips (Member) and Mr T Smith (Trust Engineer.)

B. APOLOGY – Mr GB Accornero (Member)

C. MINUTES - Confirmation of minutes of the General Meeting held on 9th February 2017.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be approved.
(Cr AJ Lancini and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

D. WORKS REPORT – The Trust Engineer, Mr Tim Smith, provided an update of works for the month of February.

RESOLVED – In relation to the slump at Spina’s, the land owners have already filled the slump and the trust have undertaken to rock the face after the wet season. With regards to DILGP 2016/17 Grants and Subsidies Program, Project 2 of the Washaway is to be reviewed after the completion of Project 1, to determine the set of works to be done as a part of Project 2 on the Herbert River.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr WG Skinner - carried)

E. CORRESPONDENCE –

1. EMAIL FROM Cr WG SKINNER

Consideration of email received 20 February 2017 stating that Cr Skinner had received a call from Frank Russo regarding a slump opposite the Pump Station. Mr Russo pointed out that he contributed $17 000 in December, 2009, to the Trust to perform a repair job (which was carried out) and unfortunately it disappeared (as a consequence of Cyclone Yasi.) He pointed out that he would have expected that the asset would be Trust property and that it would be maintained, however the problem remains unattended, with Mr Russo waiting to speak with the Trust Chair, Mr Arthur Bosworth, to clarify what is planned and what is expected of him.
RESOLVED – That the trust chair, Mr Arthur Bosworth, will talk to the Russo brothers to get an agreement to enable the works to proceed.
(Cr WG Skinner and Cr AJ Lancini – carried)

The meeting adjourned at 10.20 am for morning tea and resumed at 10.40 am.

2. EMAIL FROM Cr WG SKINNER
Consideration of email received 28 February 2017 with James offering to run the drone survey on Friday afternoon if the Trust can provide someone to take him to a central point for the drone to do 1 kilometre each way to see what that shows.

RESOLVED – That the drone fly over be deferred and be re-scheduled when weather permits for good imagery.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr AJ Lancini – carried)

F. BUSINESS –
1. STEPS FOR Mr V VITALE

RESOLVED – That Keith Phillips draw up a design for steps, with two quotes to be obtained, to be raised at the next Trust meeting.
(Cr AJ Lancini and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

2. STATE COUNCIL OF RIVER TRUSTS (SCRT) GENERAL MEETING 13 FEBRUARY 2017 (BRISBANE)
The Trust chair, Mr Arthur Bosworth, provided an update of the issues that were raised at the meeting:
Asset appreciation/depreciation, and
Contractors’ liability/indemnity insurance.
Departmental officers from Treasury, Queensland Audit Office, and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, were invited but failed to attend.

RESOLVED – That the update be received and noted.
(Cr WG Skinner and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

3. iPads

RESOLVED - That the secretary, on behalf of the Trust, arrange for the purchase of four iPads for three members of the Trust, and the trust engineer.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr AJ Lancini – carried)

4. SLASHING ON CARR ISLAND

RESOLVED – That Mr Keith Phillips organise to have the island slashed from one of the Trust’s preferred suppliers (for 2016/17.)
(Cr AJ Lancini and Cr WG Skinner – carried)
G. **FINANCIAL BUSINESS –**
   1. **Seeking approval for payment of the following accounts as at 3rd March 2017:**
      - J T Smith & Assoc. Pty Ltd $3,297.80
      - Luke Rosadi 92.00
      - HSC 161.04
      - Australia Post 124.00

   **RESOLVED** – That the accounts be passed for payment.
   (Cr WG Skinner and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

H. **CONCLUSION** – The meeting concluded at 12.40 pm with the next meeting scheduled for 6 April, 2017.

Mr RA Bosworth
Trust Chair