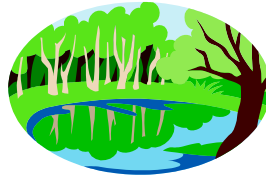


HERBERT RIVER IMPROVEMENT TRUST

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

***Thursday 7th September 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 GB Accornero (Member), Mr KT Phillips (Member) and Mr T Smith (Trust Engineer.)

B. APOLOGY –

- C. MINUTES** - Confirmation of minutes of the General Meeting held on 3rd August 2017.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be approved.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr AJ Lancini – carried)

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

RESOLVED – That Keith Phillips arranges to obtain the best priced fill/overburden to finish the batter.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

E. CORRESPONDENCE –

1. EMAIL FROM NORMAN CRASWELL (STATE COUNCIL OF RIVER TRUSTS)

Consideration of email received 12 August 2017 advising this year's annual conference and AGM will be held in Brisbane from Wednesday 1 to Friday 3 November (inclusive) and that the Trust is to advise numbers of delegates attending.

RESOLVED – That the email be received and noted.
(Cr WG Skinner and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

2. EMAIL FROM CHRISTINE SIMS (COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE)

Consideration of email received 23 August 2017 attaching invitation to make a submission to the Mineral, Water and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017.

RESOLVED – That the Trust has no requirements in relation to the Bill.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr AJ Lancini – carried)

3. EMAIL FROM CR WG SKINNER RE IMPACT THE VENTURATO LEVEE WILL HAVE ON SURROUNDING PROPERTIES

Consideration of email received 24 August 2017 advising that Council had received a report on the impact of the levee, with the Trust to consider whether it will endorse the application for the private purchase of the parcel, and that the Mayor would like to be in receipt of a letter from the Trust articulating its position as it relates to revetment works access to that section of the river.

RESOLVED – That the Trust Secretary communicate to the Council that it is the Trust's view that the Trust never agrees to road closures abutting in to any water way and that the Trust needs to take a long term view and ensure that access is never impeded in to where the Trust may need to work in the future.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr AJ Lancini – carried)

4. EMAIL FROM TANIA MACDONALD (DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND MINES)

Consideration of email received 31 August 2017 advising trusts to forward budgets for 2017-2018 to the Department (if not forwarded already).

RESOLVED – As soon as the Trust formulates the budget, it will be forwarded to the Department.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

5. EMAIL FROM MARGARET GEORGA (DEPT OF ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE PROTECTION – “the Department”)

Consideration of email received 5 September 2017 attaching a letter from the Director-General, providing important information regarding the delivery of the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) Category D Environmental Recovery Program (Parts C, D & E).

RESOLVED – That the email be received and noted.
(Cr AJ Lancini and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

6. LETTER FROM LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (LHWMA)

Consideration of letter dated 10th August 2017 thanking the Trust for previous cleaning/clearing work within Catherina Creek and that it is hoped that the Trust may consider undertaking further cleaning work in the remaining section/s of the Creek which were not completed previously.

RESOLVED – That the Trust Engineer and Chairman contact Mr David Pearson and negotiate how the Trust might proceed.
(Cr WG Skinner and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

F. BUSINESS –

1. ERGON – DIRECT DEBIT

RESOLVED – That the Trust Secretary establish a direct debit facility with Ergon to pay electricity charges for the two flood gates.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr AJ Lancini – carried)

2. DRONE SURVEY ENHANCEMENT – DIANNE PURNELL

RESOLVED – That the Trust Engineer work with the Media and Communications Officer to develop a presentation for both the Trust and the Council to be used at conferences and government presentations.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

G. FINANCIAL BUSINESS –

1. Seeking approval for payment of the following accounts as at 7th September 2017:

J T Smith & Assoc. Pty Ltd	\$ 3 861.00
Luke Rosadi	92.00
Mr RA Bosworth	639.30
Cr AJ Lancini	150.00
Mr GB Accornero	158.88
Cr WG Skinner	150.00
Ergon	78.36 Paid 4/9
B N & C Way	2 032.80
Lower Herbert Electrical Service	2 838.35
Nazzari Backhoe Hire	1 584.00
Errol Rose	2 640.00
JK's Deli	82.00 Paid 3/8
HSC (electricity flood gates)	174.30
Rinaudo Engineering Pty Ltd	842.74

RESOLVED – That the accounts be passed for payment.
(Cr AJ Lancini and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

H. CONCLUSION – The meeting concluded at 1.13 pm with the next meeting scheduled for Thursday 5 October, 2017.

RA Bosworth
Trust Chair