

HERBERT RIVER IMPROVEMENT TRUST

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

***Thursday 1st October 2015
at 9.00 am***



- A. ATTENDANCE – Present were Mr RA Bosworth (Chairperson), Mrs LF Carr (Secretary), Cr DG Carr (Member), Cr WG Skinner (Member), Mr GB Accornero (Member) and Mr T Smith (Trust Engineer).
- B. APOLOGY – Mr KT Phillips
- C. MINUTES - Confirmation of minutes of the General Meeting held on 3rd September 2015.

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

- D. WORKS REPORT – The Trust Engineer, Mr Tim Smith, provided an update of works for the month of September, and the proposal for Celotto's bank slump in Atkinson's Pocket.

RESOLVED – That further investigation be conducted before any discussion with land owners takes place.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

- E. CORRESPONDENCE –

- 1. EMAIL FROM NORMAN CRASWELL RE: LATEST ADVICE FROM MOIRA RICE REGARDING GRANT MONIES FOR THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL WORKS PROGRAM

Consideration of email received 7 September 2015, with Norman suggesting that all trusts "re-think" the type of work they engage in as there seems to be a change in attitude towards work performed by River Trusts, as a result of the new Government's programs.

RESOLVED – That the email be received and noted and that the Trust will wait for the AGM for a detailed explanation.
(Cr WG Skinner and Cr DG Carr – carried)

2. EMAIL FROM NORMAN CRASWELL RE: TRAINING FOR ENQUIRE (FOR TRUST SECRETARIES)

Consideration of email received 15 September 2015, regarding the Department wanting to give all Trust secretaries training in the new system which is being used to record grant money distribution and reports on trusts' annual works programs each year.

RESOLVED – HRIT notes that there will be training for trust secretaries, with the Trust endeavouring to have the secretary and/or the trust director attend the training.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.10 am and resumed at 10.25 am with the presence of the HSC CEO, Mr Dan McKinlay. Mr McKinlay left the meeting at 10.50 am.

F. BUSINESS –

1. DISCUSSIONS WITH MR DAN MCKINLAY

The Southern Atherton Tablelands Development Scheme was discussed, so that the CEO is aware of most of the issues in relation to flood mitigation. Also discussed was the precept for HRIT, and the CEO advised the secretary to submit it to him ASAP, and that he would organise payment. Cr DG Carr and Cr WG Skinner offered to take Mr McKinlay for a tour of the pumping station where the Trust has identified a slump on the bank of the Herbert River.

(Cr WG Skinner and Cr DG Carr – carried)

2. TOURS AT AGM – MR TIM SMITH

A trip to Kuranda and Mareeba (including a visit to the Chocolate works at Mareeba) has been suggested.

(Cr DG Carr and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

3. MR A CRISAFULLI'S WORKS

Cr DG Carr and Cr WG Skinner to check with the CEO as to whether there is any financial contribution from Mr A Crisafulli.

(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

4. DR NASIR AHSAN (AUSTRALIAN CENTRE OF FIELD ROBOTICS)

Cr WG Skinner is to contact Dr Ahsan in relation to a drone fly over from Gairloch to the mouth of the Herbert River at Lucinda.

(Cr WG Skinner and Cr DG Carr – carried)

G. FINANCIAL BUSINESS –

1. Seeking approval for payment of the following accounts as at 1st October 2015:

J T Smith & Assoc. Pty Ltd	\$ 2 277.00
Hastings NQ	19 203.17
Queensland Government	17 530.00
Jaycat Earthmoving	15 347.75
Timrith Transport	1 355.75
BR Gofton	3 608.00
Nazzari Backhoe Hire	261.25
B N & C Way	1 309.00
Mr RA Bosworth	239.40
Cr DG Carr	164.80
Cr WG Skinner	161.84
Mr GB Accornero	158.88
Mr KT Phillips	172.20
Mrs LF Carr	740.00
WorkCover Qld	304.50

RESOLVED – That the accounts be passed for payment.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

H. CONCLUSION – The meeting concluded at 12.11 pm with the next meeting scheduled for 5 November, 2015.

Mr RA Bosworth
Trust Chair