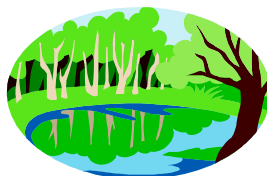


HERBERT RIVER IMPROVEMENT TRUST

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

***Thursday 4th December 2014
at 9.30 am***



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

- B. APOLOGY –

- C. MINUTES - Confirmation of Minutes of the General Meeting held on 6th November 2014.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be approved.

(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

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

RESOLVED – That the Trust Engineer complete a Form D for the jobs for Brett Scott on the Herbert River, and for both Gosney at Stone River and Russo Bros. at Gowrie Creek.

(Mr KT Phillips and Cr DG Carr – carried)

- E. CORRESPONDENCE –

1. SCRT CONFERENCE 2014

Consideration of letter received 14th November 2014 from Whitsunday Rivers Improvement Trust thanking HRIT for a “fantastic conference” and that WRIT look forward to seeing HRIT members in Cairns next year.

RESOLVED – That the letter be received and noted.

(Cr WG Skinner and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

2. BANK REPAIRS – SEYMOUR RIVER AND RIPPLE CREEK

Consideration of correspondence dated 19th November 2014 from L. Mrs A and CS Cristaldi regarding HRIT advice (22nd December 2011) that damages were eligible for Natural Disaster Recovery repairs and that to date the repairs have not been commenced and that the works on their property could be conducted in conjunction with the rehabilitation work on the Herbert River, which has commenced.

RESOLVED – That the Trust Secretary write to Mr Cristaldi that the works on his property do not qualify under the new arrangements under the Queensland Reconstruction Authority and is not eligible for funding.
(Cr DG Carr and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

3. APPLICATION TO PURCHASE OR LEASE PART OF LOT 344 ON PLAN CWL3483 (LOT A ON DRAWING CNS14/052)

Consideration of correspondence dated 17th November 2014 from DNR and M regarding the renewal of the above-mentioned application.

RESOLVED – That the Trust has no requirements.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

4. LETTER FROM THE HON ANDREW CRIPPS MP

Consideration of correspondence from The Hon Andrew Cripps MP making representations on behalf of Mr Guido and Mrs Coral Rizzalli of 9 Maria Court, Ingham regarding Mrs Rizzalli's concern that trees are falling in to the creek from the river bank, which may create obstruction in the water course which could impact surrounding properties in the event of heavy rain. An on-site inspection by HRIT members and consideration to clear the debris is requested.

RESOLVED – The Trust is happy to report that this job is complete and that the Trust Secretary communicate the same to the Hon Cripps.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr DG Carr – carried)

5. LETTER FROM THE HON ANDREW CRIPPS MP

Consideration of correspondence dated 26 November 2014 from The Hon Andrew Cripps MP making representations on behalf of Messrs L, A and C Cristaldi requesting advice as to whether any work is expected to be undertaken to repair the banks of the Seymour River and Ripple Creek which border his properties.

RESOLVED - That the Trust Secretary advise The Hon Andrew Cripps that the rules under NDRAA have changed and the Trust does not have the financial resources to address all issues. If the Minister wishes to continue to direct land owners to the Trust, then perhaps a new funding source needs to be found for HRIT.
(Cr DG Carr and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

6. APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TERM LEASE OVER LOT 29 ON PLAN CWL2417 TO FREEHOLD

Consideration of correspondence dated 9th October 2014 from DNR and M regarding the above-mentioned application.

Cr WG Skinner left the meeting due to a conflict of interest.

RESOLVED – That the Trust has no requirements.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr DG Carr – carried)

The meeting adjourned at 10.31 am for morning tea and resumed at 10.41 am.

F. BUSINESS -

1. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS - 2015

Seeking approval that the Calendar of Meetings for 2015 be adopted.

RESOLVED - That the calendar be adopted and that the Trust Secretary has approval to pay any accounts due and payable before the meeting in February 2015. That the Trust Secretary communicate the dates to the Secretary of the LHWMA and HSC.
(Cr DG Carr and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

2. CONSIDERATION OF LETTER DATED 26th NOVEMBER 2014 RECEIVED FROM MR MARK CAVICCHIOLO FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE PROTECTION REGARDING THE RECEIPT OF A COMPLAINT ABOUT WORKS UNDERTAKEN BY THE HRIT ADJOINING THE BRIDGE OVER THE HERBERT RIVER AT HALIFAX.

RESOLVED - That a response be drafted and mailed to the Department as registered mail on or before Monday 8th December 2014 and electronically, with a copy also to be forwarded to The Hon Andrew Cripps MP.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

3. Mr KT Phillips suggested that photos be taken from a helicopter of the four sand islands and the lower section of the river all the way to the mouth with one set of photos to be taken prior to the wet season and another set to be taken after the wet season roughly at the same tide height. This will allow monitoring by the Trust of the project now that the works have been completed.
(Mr KT Phillips and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

4. JOB AT CATHERINA CREEK (PEARSON'S)

Cr DG Carr reported on the Catherina Creek situation and the levies that were topped up at Mr C Girgenti's. Cr DG Carr suggested that the cost to complete the job at Girgenti's be taken under consideration by the Trust.
(Cr WG Skinner and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

G. FINANCIAL BUSINESS –

1. Seeking approval for payment of the following accounts as at 4th December 2014:

Herbert River Bus Service	\$ 660.00
DG Carr	\$ 30.75 (reimb. burn off exps)
JT Smith and Associates Pty Ltd	\$15 318.60
Blackrock Holdings Pty Ltd	\$ 8 118.00
HSC	\$ 2 138.17
Ingham Travel Agency Pty Ltd	\$ 165.00
Keita Services P/L	\$13 038.00 (reimb. rock material)
Long Pocket Earthmoving Pty Ltd	\$30 340.75
W&T Garden Bails	\$56 727.00
Goitiandia Earthmoving Co.	\$16 873.00
B & C Way	\$ 2 141.70
Majestic Café	\$ 369.60
Jk's Delicatessen	\$ 203.90
Timrith Transport	\$ 8 340.00
Access Earthworks NQ	\$ 2 310.00
Morton's Earthmoving	\$12 804.16
Maranco Earthmoving	\$ 4 851.00
JAYCAT Earthmoving Pty Ltd	\$14 775.20

RESOLVED - That the accounts submitted for payment be approved and that the Trust Secretary pay W&T Garden Bails on receipt of invoice.
(Cr WG Skinner and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

2. Mowing of levy bank on the Herbert River at Halifax.

RESOLVED - That HRIT employ Mr Luke Rosardi to mow the levy.
(Mr KT Phillips and Cr DG Carr – carried)

H. CONCLUSION – Meeting closed 12.51 pm.

Cr D G Carr
Deputy Trust Chairperson