

BETTYS BAY RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION
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**Minutes of the AGM meeting held at Crassula
Hall @ 10H00 on 19 December 2017**

Opening & Welcome

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. He indicated that the support and interest received today made the job for himself and his committee worthwhile. He thanked the Committee for the work that had been done and the results achieved. 62 people attended the meeting of which there were 46 members. The meeting could proceed as a quorum had been exceeded

Apologies

Apologies were received from Louis van Heerden, Phillip Botes, Judge Farlam, Janet Meyer, Stephen Hofmeyer QC, Tracy Holmes, David Newark, Laura Brown, John Benn, Dr PJ Lawless, Irma Otto, David Hofmeyer

**Confirmation of AGM minutes of 19 December
2016**

The minutes were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Richard Starke and seconded by Hein Foot.

**Matters arising from the AGM of 19 December
2016**

- The position of Honorary Auditor has not been filled despite attempts to recruit a person recommended for the job following the 2016 AGM. An attempt to find an auditor from within the community will continue
- Plateau path to the beach was originally developed for owners to use to access the beach and not for the public, hence there is no room for parking or toilet facilities. Matter closed.
- Wheelchair access to the lake via Wheeler Road has been finalized. A new walk way has been built and is operational

Chairman's Report The Chairman's report was presented to the meeting and was accepted by the members. Proposed by Richard Starke and seconded by Alan Heydorn. The report is posted on the BBRA web site.

Discussion of Chairman's Report

Davidskraal braai facilities. Support was given to the removal of the 4 - 5 braai facilities which have been built without the potential fire hazards been taken into account.

Bettys Bay roads - An action plan has been developed to improve the condition of the roads. More gravel, dust control for the major roads and improvement to the road verges are planned. An additional refuse truck will allow a bigger window for road maintenance. R3 million has been allocated this year and R1 million each year thereafter.

Concerns regarding the lack of run off due to the roads not having a crown in the road and the skills of those maintaining the roads was noted.

The Municipality has a managerial desk where complaints can be communicated and subsequent follow up can be obtained.

Poaching – It was agreed that poaching has spiraled out of control. Despite the limited resources, the issue has now become a National issue. New technology and a vast resource is required. Sea Watch, Cape Nature and the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries work closely together and have had some success. These successes are not often publicized for “intelligence “reasons. Bettys Bay will become a Protected Area once the Act has been promulgated. This is an Act which will assist in the fight against poaching which continues to be highly organized.

Bass Lake cleanliness. It was suggested that a No Dogs Allowed notice be placed at Bass Lake to avoid potential unwanted pollution.

The Kleinmond Riots . In wanting to ensure that similar events do not reoccur, it was noted that 17 cases had been opened and a court date will soon be set at Regional level, not Local level. Such demonstrations can be expected if the needs of the community are not listened to and, where possible, addressed – in this case 11 issues had been tabled by the community and were being addressed by the Ward Committee.

The Fire Chief’s refusal to investigate a Sunny Seas fire. This is considered a priority and is being

addressed. Evidence of the source of the source of the fire is readily available.

Rehabilitation Centre in Sunny seas – this issue is being addressed at Regional Court level. Numerous postponements have occurred.

Overgrown plots. With Council, this issue is being addressed. A January work shop will address the modus operandi. It remains a problem. Examples of where the problem is being successfully resolved were tabled.

BettysBay Budget 2018 - BettysBay has been allocated 22% of the Kleinmond – Rooi Els budget. Clearly, Bettys Bay, with its R12 million rates paid annually should result in a bigger slice of the cake,

A Ward 10 Public Meeting has been organized for 13 February 2018 at 18h00 at which time any issues, including the above, can be tabled. Members are encouraged to attend.

Treasurer's Report was presented to the meeting. There were no questions. The report was accepted. Proposed by Richard Starke and seconded by Hein Foot. The report is posted on the BBRA web site.

Election of Committee Members

The current members of the Committee were elected back onto the Committee. Proposed by Alan Heyorn, seconded by Werner Zybrands.

Wilna Rademeyer has resigned and was thanked for her contribution.

New members voted onto the Committee were Liz Cartwright, (proposed by Jorika Rabie, seconded by

Hugo van der Merwe) and Pierre Combrink and Gerard Bruce – Proposed by Werner Zybrands and seconded by Fanie Krige.

Closure

The meeting was closed thereafter as no issues were tabled under General.

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