

Minutes

Andamooka Town Management Committee

(Meeting Conducted in the Outback Communities Authority Office,
Port Augusta
on 20 September 2013 at 11.30 am)

Present:

R. Hancock (Acting Chair)
M. Sutton, B. Musolino (Members)
D. Allen (Community Administrator)
S. Lyons (Administrative Services Officer)

1. WELCOME/APOLOGIES

In the absence of a Chair, a motion requesting Member Hancock to accept the position of Acting Chair for the duration of the meeting was raised.

Acting Chair motion was agreed upon by Member Sutton and Member Musolino.

The acting Chair opened the 14th meeting of the Andamooka Town Management Committee (ATMC) and welcomed Stephen Lyons as Administrative Services Officer.

2. PRESENTATIONS

Therese Schofield – Andamooka Community Pool. Deferred to next meeting

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 24th July 2013 were circulated.

Moved by Member Musolino
Seconded by Member Sutton

Carried

That the minutes of the Andamooka Town Management Committee held on 24 July 2013 be adopted.



5. Business arising from minutes – Meeting held 24 July 2013.

Nil

6. CHAIR'S REPORT

Nil

7. MEMBER'S REPORT

Member Sutton commented that the OCA visits to Andamooka (Byron Gough's information sessions) went very well & were generally well-received.

8. COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Community Administrator delivered the report provided to the OCA Board 11 September 2013.

New office

The Australian-owned and manufactured building is cyclone, earthquake, tornado and termite resistant as well as being 'clean and green'. It is a fully compliant disabled access public office and is at lock up stage. ATMC staff is expected to move into the office in November.

Foot Paths

Andamooka's first paved foot paths have been finalised. Paths completed to date are:

- entrances to the front of the community hall
- around the public toilets,
- from the road in front of the hall to Opal Creek Boulevard
- stair access from The Cottages
- ramp access near The Tuckerbox restaurant car park

Community Hall

The splash pad is 70% complete with the plumbing laid, shade sail poles erected, concrete slab poured and the non-slip surface applied. Erection of fencing is almost complete. Installation of water dispensing components and electronic hardware will see the project completed in October.

Community Hall

The front and rear entrances to the hall have been resurfaced and compliant emergency exit doors fitted to the building. Useable area has been increased



with the laying of fake turf and 'crazy paving' along with the erection of shade sails at the rear of the hall.

New services for tourists

A coin operated water dispenser located at the camping ground has been installed into the town's water dispenser.

An Ezi dump has been purchased and the required SA Health applications are being lodged for its installation.

These 2 services when operational will see Andamooka included in the distribution of Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia whose readership is 63,000

Creek bed clean up

An extensive clean up the creek bed has been carried out to remove household debris and undergrowth to reduce the risk of flooding as was experienced in 2010

Machinery Museum

New signs with a photo, machinery specifications and how the machine was used in the mining of opal have erected at the machinery museum

Street signs

Signage for the bitumen roads are onsite and will be programmed alongside the solar light activity

Solar lights

6 solar street lights have been erected along Opal Creek Boulevard. They will be operational when the battery boxes are buried at each of the 6 sites. Completion is expected by end of October.

Town Park

Concrete sleepers and bark chips have lain throughout the entire park. To provide a new tourist experience, planning is underway to develop the park further with displays about local fauna, flora, birds, reptiles etc.

Playground

A new fence has been erected around the playground
The BMX track has been resurfaced.

Cemetery



The cemetery's iron filigree fencing has been refurbished and shade cloth has been replaced on the sheltered entrance.

Signs and services

Dog management signs have been erected throughout the town along with dog poo bag dispensers

Refuse Site

Household and hard waste areas are being covered bi-weekly; worthy of note is that the tip has not been set alight since this contractual activity has been put into practice. All waste areas are being left as a newly covered landfill surface. SAPOL and the ATMC have been working together with a feral animal eradication program at the tip with the focus on stray cats

9. ATMC BUSINESS

9.1 Review of budget

The committee discussed reviewing the annual budget. Member Sutton commented that the budget will need to be monitored.

9.2 Future Andamooka governance model.

The make-up of a selection panel to appoint a new Chair was discussed. Member Sutton suggested the panel consist of OCA Board Chair, APOMA Chair (or delegate) & the ATMC Acting Chair. It was confirmed there is still a requirement for the new chair to be independent. There was a discussion regarding a suitable person.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

Andamooka Caravan Park

APOMA's ATMC representatives advised that Mr Chad Oldfield offered to give APOMA his business plans to utilize if he doesn't go forward with his proposed development of the camping ground. APOMA are looking at options. More discussion needs to take place & a cost benefit analysis done to see if a park is feasible. Member Sutton said nothing will happen re the park this financial year. Suggestions for the park - maybe 2 unisex shower/toilet units, coin-operated showers, solar hot water, no powered sites at this stage with a view to expand the capacity of the park later if needed.

To be added to APOMA AGM agenda for community input/approval to proceed in conjunction with ATMC.

ATMC vehicle



The registration has been changed back from ATMC to OCA 003.

Member Sutton spoke of the need to clear up a few issues in the community. The ATMC office is an OCA office & the ATMC staff work for the OCA not the ATMC. We need to highlight the difference between ATMC & APOMA, the connection between ATMC & OCA & the separation of ATMC & APOMA.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed.

Meeting Closed: 12:40 pm

