

Minutes

Andamooka Town Management Committee

(Meeting Held at the OCA Boardroom, 12 Tassie Street, Port Augusta
on 12 March 2013 at 2.10 pm)

Present:

C. Woolford (Chair)

M. Sutton, J. Cleary, R. Hancock, P. Allen (Members)

D. Allen (Community Administrator)

L McKenzie (Business Services Officer)

1. WELCOME/APOLOGIES

The Chair opened the 10th meeting of the Andamooka Town Management Committee (ATMC) and welcomed the Andamooka Progress and Opal Miners Association (APOMA) members, Community Administrator and Business Services Officer.

An apology was received from S. Bilka (APOMA Chairperson).

2. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2013 were circulated.

Moved by Member Allen

Seconded by Member Hancock

That the minutes of the Andamooka Town Management Committee held on 12 February 2013 be adopted.

Carried.

4.1 Business arising from minutes – Meeting held 12 February 2013.

4.1.1 Presentations – Dog Registration Tags

The OCA advised that this item is ongoing.



4.1.2 Community Administrators Report – Desalination Plant

This item has been finalised.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair reported that:

- She has presented the annual report card and an update of the ATMC operation budget to the OCA.
- The Governance Mechanism draft was also tabled and discussed at the monthly OCA Board Meeting on 14th February 2013. The OCA Board has requested that the ATMC Chair table any issues or concerns that may have been raised particularly concerning a community request for the ATMC & the OCA to answer certain questions that have been on-going and often raised. In response to this, the Chair noted the following Motion carried at the OCA February 2013 meeting: ,

'That no further correspondence will be entered into by the OCA or ATMC pending the outcome of the Ombudsman's enquiry.'

The Chair also noted that the OCA Board have passed on to the ATMC their appreciated of the work provided.

The OCA meeting held on 13 December 2012 in Adelaide, the OCA Board considered an email and related documentation received on that same day from an Andamooka resident. The OCA declined to respond to questions raised in the email on the following basis, the matter is being referred to the State Ombudsman and the subject of enquiry by the Ombudsman. The OCA is satisfied with all issues raised and has been responded to through conversations and correspondence with the ATMC and/or the Chair of the ATMC, through the minutes of the ATMC and/or letters from the Minister. The OCA is satisfied that the ATMC has observed due diligence in respect to this matter, further to this the board has concerns that the line of enquiry has become somewhat confusing. The OCA and the ATMC staff have advised they have been harassed and intimidated by the resident's behaviour and verbal representations, therefore the OCA moved and adopted that no further correspondence will be entered into by the OCA and ATMC pending the outcome of the Ombudsman's enquiry.

6. MEMBERS REPORT

All matters and issues are contained within the Agenda.

7. COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

The ATMC Community Administrator (CA) discussed her plan which outlines the following goals:

Municipal Activities

Roads

- Both metal and non-metal roads sustained damage during recent heavy rain.
- All non-metal roads and been rolled and graded.
- Awaiting DPTI action for repairs to metal roads.

Andamooka Refuse Site

- Fencing is going to be erected in the next month to contain fly away rubbish from the new cut.
- New site was operational the day after heavy rainfall with no damage to access road.

Town maintenance person

- Successful applicant has started work.
- Primary tasks are to focus on water supply checks and work around the community hall.

Water Supply

- Reliable but requires hard ware, telemetry and ground works maintenance.

Community Hall

- Hall use is increasing in regularity and by more age groups.

Swimming Pool

- The school identified a problem with the water and had to empty the pool.
- The ATMC refilled the pool.

Splash Pad

- Concreting approx. \$7k.
- The soft fall surface approx. \$13k.
- 14 x standard pool panels approx. \$100 each.
- APOMA are donating decorative cement sleepers to contain the foundations.



- APOMA are donating poly pipe for the delivery and drain component of the water.
- Local earthmoving company are providing machinery for ground works at no cost.
- Domestic plumbing supplies will be sourced locally for all reticulation.
- Local artist Dave Kovac has volunteered to assist with artistic design.
- Shade sails will be made locally.

SUPPORT FOR APOMA

New Office Building

- The development application was submitted 1 March.
- A request from DAC for additional information was received 7 March.
- Information will be provided 12 March.
- Expect ground works to begin 18 March.
- Once building approval is received and materials are onsite, erection will take 3-4 weeks.

8. ATMC BUSINESS

8.1 Quarterly Review of Budget

The Chair advised that the ATMC will review the operational budget on a quarterly cycle and that a level of autonomy has been agreed to between the offices of ATMC and the OCA where by the CA will have a more detailed oversight of the budget.

Moved by Member Sutton

Seconded by Member Hancock

Carried.

8.2 Future Andamooka Governance Model

The Chair advised the consultation for the future Andamooka Governance Model will commence on 18 March 2013 and will run for a four week period.

The CA advised that all information will be available from the OCA website on 18 March 2013 and that the Andamooka Community Consultation meeting will be held on 2 April 2013. The CA suggested that the community meetings should be held at 2pm and 7pm.

Member Allen queried why the OCA was not completing the Community Consultation. Member Sutton confirmed that the ATMC has been created and is the vehicle of APOMA and the OCA and therefore the community consultation should be delivered by the ATMC.

It was suggested that documentation should be ready to be tabled at the next APOMA meeting, to be held on the 17 March 2013.

Member Sutton advised the APOMA need to consider the Terms of Reference.

1. ATMC Terms of Reference which includes a sunset clause at 30 June 2013.
 - Proposed scenarios for consultation
 - As developed by the ATMC
2. To be taken to the OCA: Terms of Reference
 - Approved by APOMA
3. Consultation on all

It was agreed that:

- the media release will go out to the public on 20 March 2013.
- The consultation will close on the 19 April 2013.

8.3 Regional Mining and Infrastructure Plan

Supporting documentation, an application received from Deloitte Application, was tabled by the Chair and discussed at the meeting.

The CA advised that the ATMC and APOMA have both received copies of the application which in turn was passed onto the ATMC Committee.

Member Cleary advised the purpose of this is a Memorandum of Understanding between the Commonwealth State and Local Government whereby the Upper Spender Gulf region is one of four priority regions in Australia, Regional Development Australia Funding – Infrastructure Funding will be targeted.

It was discussed that infrastructure funding needs for the mining industry needs to be community benefited and a capacity should be provided to the communities.

8.4 Other Business

Member Hancock enquired about the Master Plan. The Chair advised it has not yet been endorsed by the Minister. Minor issues and concerns were raised by Member Hancock.

Member Allen raised issues regarding planning documents and enquired whether the OCA could liaise with the EPA. Member Sutton requested that the information be forwarded to him for follow up.



The Business Services Officer departed from the meeting at 3.05pm.

9. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next ATMC meeting has been scheduled for 14 May 2013.

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