



## Executive and General Meeting

Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2007

### Queanbeyan City Council Chambers – Committee Room 1

#### 1 Opening

The meeting was opened at 6:05 pm with Lynton Bond (President) in the Chair. A warm welcome was extended to all present.

#### 2 Attendance / Apologies

In attendance were Lynton Bond, Tom Baker, Sandra Lloyd, John Bruggeman, Charles McDonald, Bruce Taloni, Maryke Booth, Zoe Wood, Margaret Piper and Tom Nilsen.

Apologies were received from Claudia Nye.

Welcome Marlene Eggert from "Friends Of Googong".

#### 3 Minutes of 11<sup>th</sup> December 2006.

Motion: C McDonald / Tom Baker  
**"That minutes be accepted."**  
**Carried.**

#### 4 Business Arising

(a) Display trailer is ready to go. It will be exempt from stamp duty. Zoe will pick it up from the manufacturer.

#### 5 Correspondence List.

- (a) Disability Services – Maryke.
- (b) NRM Plan Review Forums – Lynton.
- (c) News of the World, and up to date Natural Resources Calender – Steve Welsh.

#### 6 Accounts (Maryke Booth).

- (a) Main A/c \$230,000, General Exp. \$2,000 approx.
- (b) Bills for LBGWMP can be expected shortly.

#### 7 President's Reports (Lynton Bond) New and outstanding business.

- (a) Coordinator Milestones.
- (b) NLP Program. 3 catchment groups met for a joint project but no agreement was reached. Zoe will meet other coordinators next week.
- (c) "Along the Molonglo" art show. Tom is looking after this again this year.
- (d) K2C – Aust. Bush Heritage Fund successful for "Scottsdale".
- (e) UMCCC met at Scottsdale a couple of weeks ago.
- (f) Stormwater Education Initiative. Money is in the bank for this project. Zoe and Lynton met with Sustainable Schools Coordinator, Vanessa Whelan, to discuss including this project in the schools curriculum. We have the coordination of the project until the new Urban Waterways Coordinator is appointed.
- (g) LBGWMP has gone to the printers.

- (h) Common advocacy position (consistency) for catchment groups covering issues we have to deal with, eg. urban development, environmental flows, meeting the climate change challenge, etc. Lynton recommends we follow CCSERAC guidelines.

Motion: C McDonald / Tom Baker

**“In principle we accept CCSERAC as a basis to draft our principles.”**

**Carried.**

- (i) Website capabilities. Hosted by Netspeed - \$300 p.a. due in May. We can get a better deal than this elsewhere. WebCity is cheaper and has more functionality.
- (j) MCS rollout stage 3. Perennial Pastures training for Prograze. MCS 2 carryover, redirect funding to subsidise training, and also use our own funds to \$5,000, but in the ACT only. The Federal Govt. says we are not spending enough in the ACT. For riparian restoration funding is better in the ACT than in NSW.

Motion: J Bruggeman / Tom Baker

**“Submit variation to NLP MCS Rollout project to change ‘Perennial Pastures’ to ‘Property Management Planning’, and use up to \$5,000 from General Expenses to subsidize training.”**

**Carried.**

- (k) Milestones – in developing these with Zoe, it became clear that a work plan, hence business plan, is needed to establish a clear direction. Zoe needs to understand exactly where we are going. The Murrumbidgee Landcare Strategic Plan – draft sent to us all by Zoe last week – could be the basis for the Business Plan for delivering the MCS. Priorities need defining so that Zoe knows her job.
- (l) Lynton acknowledges the work Charles McDonald has done for the group pending his departure for Darwin and a warmer climate.

Motion: L Bond / J Bruggeman

**“Thank you, Charles.”**

**Carried.**

Charles has enjoyed working with us and thanked us all for our participation.

## **8 Coordinators Report (Zoe Wood).**

- (a) Zoe’s overview of what she has been doing.
- (b) Future meeting venues, what other options do we have, or do we stay here for the present.
- (c) Petty cash - \$200 requested by Zoe for day to day expenses.

Motion: L Bond / S Lloyd

**“That Petty Cash be funded through Imprest Account for \$200 cash, operating in accordance with approved guidelines.”**

**Carried.**

- (d) National Willows Research Forum – 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> February, Lynton and Zoe will attend.
- (e) Enviro Fund Round 9 – Due 27<sup>th</sup> April, Zoe will assist with applications. Areas in Exceptional Circumstances will get better than 1:1 funding for “in kind” work. Fencing \$4,000/km. Maximum \$50,000. Other funding opportunities are on the MCG website.
- (f) Communications Strategy – Zoe has received it and will make changes.
- (g) Jerrabomberra Indigenous Planting Guide – 200 copies left, reprint required. Review all of our literature.
- (h) M-CHiP Brochure – Zoe will review and try to cut down on words. Also for the MCG

“Getting Involved” brochure.

- (i) Lanyon Garden Festival – 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March, 10:00am to 4:00 pm. Focussing on Environmental Weeds.
- (j) ACTPLA – planning and development bill, brief groups at meetings.
- (k) Conference – “Climate Law In Australia”, April, National Museum.

**9 Other Business.**

- (a) Tom Nilsen talked about Willow Control funding through the willow budget he has – for poisons, labour, training, etc.
- (b) Indian Mynas web site – [www.imactiongroup.org.au](http://www.imactiongroup.org.au)
- (c) Trailer fit-out – signage, etc. What do we need in the trailer? Maryke has offered to store the trailer at Shop Basics for the present, until fit-out is completed. Insurance is still needed.
- (d) Membership renewals – promotion required, update goodies bag. What else can we do to increase membership?

**10 Next Meeting.**

Monday 12th March, QCCC.

**11 Closure.**

The meeting was closed at 7:42 pm.

Action By	Details	Start Date	Due Date	Completed
All	Review Communications Strategy draft	10-07-06	14-08-06	On going
HC/LB	Prepare Milestones for 2006-07 and 2007-08 Funding Agreement with ACT	10-04-06	30-06-06	submitted to EACT
MB/BT	Display Trailer quotes and final design	14-08-06	11-09-06	completed
HC/BT	“Test drive” the Communications Plan on an activity	14-08-06	11-09-06	
HC	Complete media plan for Sony camera and return to LAL	08-05-06	19-06-06	
TB	Sustainability Newsletter contribution	11/12/06	mid-January?	completed
LB/ZW	Draft business plan based on Murrumbidgee Landcare model	12/2/07	ASAP	
MB/BT	Trailer signage and fit-out	12/2/07	ASAP	
MB/ZW	Imprest account established for coordinator	12/2/07	ASAP	completed
LB	Seek variation to MCS2 for PMP training instead of perennial pastures	12/2/07	12/3/07	

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(Chairman)

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