

Minutes of a meeting of the Noetzie Conservancy Owners' Association 23 December 2009

Present

Carl Metelerkamp, Eion Brown, Santie den Boestert, Julie Gosling, Cathy Shimmin, and Nick Taylor.

Apologies

Penny Suckling, Rookan Podesta.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of 5 November 2009

1.1 Matters arising

1.1.1 Boardwalk

The steps have been opened, and it appears that the building of the boardwalk has been scrapped because of cost.

1.1.2 School site

Sue Swain is to address the AGM.

1.1.3 Rogue monkey

Tim is operating the trap. A small male was caught and released. We will continue until the rogue has been caught and transported to Diepwalle.

1.1.4 Boom

Julie has printed the stickers and is distributing them; she will give the bill to Cathy.

1.1.5 Alien vegetation

Santie reported that SANPARKS was very responsive to our proposal to clear vegetation up the river and did a great job. Santie has written to thank them.

1.1.6 Weddings on the beach

The NCOA was compromised when SANPARKS gave permission to Marius to hold a wedding on the beach, and, when he asked us for approval and we declined, he pointed out that he already had permission. It was agreed that we should write to the Mayor about this situation.

1.1.7 Illegal trading at Montrose

This is still happening: serving alcohol on the beach and advertising picnics. We need to remind Mike Maughan-Brown to take this up. If the KM is unable to act, we should escalate our objections to the provincial and even national levels. Another avenue might be to lodge a complaint with the SAPS about the contravention of the liquor license.

2 Preparation for the AGM

Carl to put the minutes of the 2008 AGM on the website.

Cathy agreed to sit at the door and check whether members had paid their subs and therefore were eligible to vote. Carl to prepare a Chairman's report, Santie a Conservancy report, and Cathy a financial report. Neil Metelerkamp's pro bono audit of the finances was gratefully acknowledged.

3 Legal standing of the NCOA

This matter is still unclear, and we need to discuss this with the KM and clarify our standing with respect to matters such as the approval of building plans and weddings on the beach.

4 Infill

It was agreed that Eion would draft a response to Pezula's latest proposal as soon as possible and circulate it for comment. He will get comment from Simon Nicks.