

Minutes of the telephonic meeting of
Noetzie Conservancy Owners Association

held at
17h30 on
Thursday 7 October 2010.

Present

Nick Taylor - Chairman **NT**
Cathy Shimmin - Treasurer **CS**
Julie Gosling **JG**
Santi Den Boestert - Conservancy **SdB**
Penny Suckling **PS**
Wendy Dewberry - Secretary **WD**
Eion Brown

1. WELCOME

NT Chairman welcomed the members to the 8th telephonic meeting of the 2010 Committee.

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of Previous meeting

NT the minutes were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1. Building and Development

3.1.1. HEADLAND Development

No new development

3.1.2. House Visser Erf 76

We await further development.

3.1.3. Don Lindsay Access Road

No new development

3.1.4. Erf 84

No new development

3.1.5. Erf 80 House Robinson/Thompson

New plans have been submitted by the architect. JG asks EB to look at plans because he was concerned about the windows in a vertical wall.

EB said that they are now below height restriction because they plan to excavate. JG requested that NCOA treat this issue as urgent. NT promised to make a decision by the end of the week.

JG said that we should support our members if they have an argument in favour of the Environment. She uses the example of the letter of motivation used by Dane and Getliffe for going over their boundaries to allow parking and access –

PS agreed and pointed out that departures have been made from the NTPS in the past.

NT asked EB to attend to this, by early next week, and to focus on the big issues and ignore the inconsequential ones.

EB TO ACTION

3.2. Conservancy

3.2.1. Tree identification and naming

In process.

3.2.3. Alien clearing

No further discussion

3.2.4. Water testing

No further comment

3.2.5. Monkey problem

No further comment

3.2.5. Water Course Management at River Houses

CS is awaiting drawings from EB. The strip road is in urgent need of repair.

EB TO ACTION

JG volunteered to Apply for permit to trim the Forest Elder and Henry Loubser's tree

JG TO ACTION

JG stated that the Boardwalk along the river is a Municipal entity and asked who funds its maintenance. Currently the NHSG. She proposed that the funds come from NCOA. CS thanked JG for this and volunteered George's labour. EB stated that he is happier if the NHSG maintains the Boardwalk as he does not want outside workers to enter the area. JG reminded him that the area in front of the river houses is public commonage.

JG reminded all that:

Nothing can be done to alter the course of the river without the proper permits

NCOA must be notified of all activities

JG would like it minuted that she said this.

CS said that there are 2 separate issues on 2 separate private properties – Everett and Bond-Smith. EB will do the drawings for the culvert and await Bond-Smith's comment.

EB, CS TO ACTION

3.2.6. Beach Driving Permit

NT thanked JG for doing all the slogwork of getting all the required informations and documentation together and submitting it.. JG reports that all went well, except that John Loewen of Craigross failed to submit his documents and therefore does not have a permit for beach driving at this point. Beach permits are renewable every 5 years

3.2.7. Carpark Signage

Oyster catcher sign is up. NT thanked JG for organising that

3.2.8. Pezula Canoe Trips

Nothing to discuss

3.3. Finance and Managerial

3.3.1. Payment of Accounts

CS will pay website bills Hetzner

3.3.2. Signing of Audit

The post box is still paid by Julie. This will be written in as a donation in order that a record of this be kept.

3.3.3. Record Keeping

The minutes must be posted onto the website so that we are up to date.

NT TO ACTION

CS promised to send Neil Metelerkamp a full set of printed minutes up to November 2010.

CS TO ACTION

3.4. Municipal

3.4.1. Illegal Trading at Montrose

Nothing discussed

3.4.2. Boom

Nothing discussed

3.4.3. Weddings on the Beach

No discussions

3.4.4. School Site ERF 394/1

JG referred to a letter received from KM 29 Sept 2010 and said that the response was very positive. EB questioned whether the land was owned by Province or National Dept of Transport and Public works.

JG understood it to be with Province. EB said it would make things easier if this was the case. NT asked EB to confirm and get in writing that the Education Dept no longer has any use for the land.

EB TO ACTION

3.4.5. Application for Powers from Knysna Municipality

No new actions

3.4.6. Erven 32, 34, and 35.

No further action

3.4.7. Rates

No comment

3.4.8. Heritage status of old Pezula Castle

JG wrote to MMB of KM. He reports that in a letter written to Chesterfield

Holdings on 7 Sept 2010, the KM gave a month for repairs to begin or KM would send in their own contractors.

3.5. Newsletter

JG suggested that the newsletter come out mid November in time for December visitors. It will have info on the date time and venue of the AGM
NT was asked to submit a brief Chairmans' Chat for the newsletter

NT TO ACTION

SdB offered a written report on the Environmental Forum

SdB TO ACTION

A new water test to be done and results submitted

WD TO ACTION

4. GENERAL

4.1. History of Knoetzie

No further comment

5. Matters Arising not on the Agenda

5.1. Conservancy Meetings

SdB, WD and JG attended the Garden Route Conservancy Forum meeting held at the Boma at Pezula on 2 October 2010. NCOA won an award from Cape Nature. NT congratulated WD on the newsletter

Date of next meeting : Thursday 18 November 2010, 5.30 pm

Approved as a true reflection of the meeting:



N. C. Taylor
Chairman