

MINUTE of the EXCO MEETING
of the
SEA POINT, FRESNAYE, BANTRY BAY RATEPAYERS
RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
held on
Wednesday 23rd May 2018 at 17h30 at
Protea Hotel, Arthurs Road, Sea Point

1. **Welcome and Apologies**

Present: Juanita Levetan, Suzanne Kempen, Janey Ball, Victor Morris, Aris Vayanos, Lizaan Loedolff

Apologies: Marco van Embden, Ori Saban, David Rose, Paul Berman, Jacques Weber

Invited: Cllr Shayne Ramsay, Selwyn Shuman

In Marco's absence, Janey took the Chair.

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting (24 April 2018)**

Accepted subject to the corrections below.

Item 5.1

Delete "As Rocklands ablution facility is open 24/7 this is the more concerning".

Item 11

Replace "Aurum" with "Artem".

Proposer: Suzanne Kempen

Seconder: Victor Morris

3. **Matters Arising**

3.1. Street Children

PPA Talon were to present incident reports. None have been received. Lizaan to:

- a) Write to PPA Talon and note the need for the reports and
- b) One week before each Exco meeting remind PPA Talon.

4. **Short Notice Agenda Items**

4.1. GPRRA & MPRRA AGM Report Back

GPRRA AGM

VM

Victor and Janey attended the meeting. Victor reported on a well-run AGM and an impressive presentation by the Built Environment Committee which shares many of the same Planning concerns as we do. He suggested PlanComm do a similar presentation at the next SFB AGM. It appears as if Green Point have more community-minded and involved residents.

MPRRA AGM

SK

There is shared concern on the growing homeless community. Residents are also deeply frustrated at the number of weekend events in Mouille Point. Janey reported that Green Point have similar issues and Victor noted the success in Green Point of involvement by GPRRA in the events process. Cllr Ramsay reported that the City are looking at ways to more effectively and fairly manage the Events Department. Janey noted that GPRRA residents had expressed the concern that the 2016 Events Bylaw was passed without the required public participation process.

5. **Council Report / Issues**

Cllr SR

5.1. Traffic Congestion

Cllr Ramsay is working with Officials at the City to address traffic congestion at Main and Kei Apple Road. Janey asked for a timeline on implementation. Cllr Ramsay is unable to say as it is uncertain, after Friday's High Court Hearing, which Mayco members may be in place. Cllr Ramsay will follow up regularly and report back at the next meeting.

5.2. Town Hall Meeting

The Town Hall Meeting has been moved from 29 May to 6 June. The venue is uncertain and several locations were suggested. Cllr Heron will be the keynote speaker. His Mayco portfolio is Transport and Development (TDA). It is hoped that there will be strong community attendance. Janey requested that the role of the Ward Committee be explained, and the Community be urged to use that as a platform through which to communicate concerns to the City. Janey at the last Exco meeting circulated a document which sets out the duties and responsibilities of a Ward Committee.

5.3. Parking Rates

Current parking rates in Sea Point are the same as those in the CBD. Cllr Ramsay is working to have these rates reduced, but the City is set on a 6% increase. It was noted that the increase last year was >50% which should cover increases for many years.

5.4. Proposed increase in Water Tariffs

The increase will be <20%.

5.5. Liquor License

In her role at Subcouncil, Cllr Ramsay's opinions are informed by all IAPs (interested and affected parties). Janey noted the importance of our Exco being able to seek her views as the person who should be best informed in the Ward. We are not seeking a recommendation; SFB will make that after considering all input.

5.6. Social Assistance

Councillor Ramsay was unaware that Fieldworker Jantjie Booysen is no longer employed by SFB. (The matter was discussed at the last Exco meeting, but Cllr Ramsay had left before the discussion.) Mr Booysen's contract ended on the 30th of April 2018. Exco has approved the quote from Straatwerk to assist with displaced people through social intervention. They have quoted R163 per shift and their recent commencement of their intervention in Mouille Point has already proved meaningful.

Exco will pursue its Security and Cleansing Initiative (SC) and cannot also respond to displaced people. The City needs to attend, here.

6. Ward Committee Member Feedback Report

JB

6.1. Update

There has been no Ward Committee Meeting since the last Exco. The next is on the 7th of June.

6.2. Ward Allocated Funding

Each Ward is allocated R850 000 per year for City supervised capital and operational expenditure. SFB will submit a proposal for a social worker. Cllr Ramsay will contact Lorraine Frost, Head of the City's Vulnerable Groups and Communities Department, to discuss the possibility of assigning a dedicated team to the Atlantic Seaboard. If this proves possible, and if our proposal succeeds, we will have made significant progress.

7. Community Education

JB

7.1. Update

The roles and responsibilities of the Ward Committee will be explained at the next Town Hall meeting. It is this body and the Ward Councillor through which the community should channel concerns.

8. Finance

SK

8.1. Report from Treasurer

Monthly management reports as at 30 April 2018, YTD (January 2018 – April 2018) and Balance Sheet was tabled for discussion.

8.2. Final payment on Patroller 30 April 2018.

8.3. No extraordinary expenses during the month of April.

8.4. Age Analysis (outstanding Debtors) as at 23 May 2018 was tabled for discussion. Lizaan to follow up on overdue amounts.

8.5. Sponsorship

We need sponsorship for stationery, one more mobile unit and the coordinator's salary.

9. **Safety & Cleaning Initiative Feedback Report**

JL

9.1. Update

It is proving difficult to get certain blocks to join the Safety & Cleaning Initiative, but the team will persist and employ other methods of engagement. Juanita feels a tougher approach is needed.

9.2. Deployment of Mobile Units

The SCI sub-committee consists of Juanita Levetan & David Rose. They will also oversee the deployment of the mobile units. Weekly incident reports, along with weekly status reports on the mobile units and trackers will be sent to this committee. Follow up with Ian McCleod from EcoRider and his monthly services on the patrollers.

9.3. Progress (Phase 1 & Phase 2)

Interest was shown from two blocks (Kingsgate and St James Court) and will be followed up.

9.4. Annual Price Increase

There will be no increase for the Annual Financial year 2018. The current contribution is R65 pm per apartment. Exco agreed that this will be reviewed before the beginning of the next financial year (December 2018). The annual increase will take effect on 1st of May 2019.

9.5. Exemption for Mobile Units

Despite considerable effort, we have not received exemption for mobile units to patrol on pavements in Phase 1 & 2. There was lengthy discussion and a range of concerns expressed, including that of the speed of drivers, and risk to pedestrians on pavements. Juanita to address with PPA Talon. It is certain that we will not achieve exemption on Main Road. Lizaan will provide feedback at the next Exco.

10. **Upliftment Programme**

JL

Checkers are considering an opportunity to position our SnapScan code at check outs to allow residents the opportunity to donate. These donations will allow SFB to assist Straatwerk's initiatives. Janey expressed reservations at the mingling of brands. Suzanne is concerned about 3rd party payments, additional administration on the Treasurer and our focus shifting from signing up blocks for the SCI. This discussion was postponed to the June Exco meeting.

11. **SFB PlanComm**

AV

Lauren Bolus was elected as Chair and Ori Saban as Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee. The committee has grown to nine and the new members have proven to be helpful assets. Several recent objections have been lodged. Aris enquired on the readiness of SFB to fund investigations needed by PlanComm. SFB can consider on an ad hoc basis but is an unlikely litigant.

12. **PR, Marketing & Communication**

JL

12.1. Newsletter

Juanita will take responsibility for the newsletter. Lizaan will prepare the first draft and hand over thereafter. Janey requested we change the name of 'Events' to 'Upcoming Area Events' to remove possible perception that these are SFB events.

12.2. Comms to Secretary

Janey will resolve the alias issue on the 'secretary' email address (secretary@sfb.org.za) and will ensure that Victor's and Lizaan's addresses are aliases.

12.3. Annual Membership

Two new members have joined since the last meeting.

13. **Events** – Per list presented.

14. General

The Culemborg Safe Space is due to open in June 2018. This will afford 230+ members of the homeless community a safe space to stay during the evenings for maximum stay of four months. This space will provide an area to cook food, sanitation facilities and the opportunity to sleep in safety.

15. Close and Next Meeting

The meeting closed at 19:20. The next meeting will be held on 13 June 2018.

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