

MINUTES FOR THE EXCO MEETING
of the
SEA POINT, FRESNAYE, BANTRY BAY RATEPAYERS
AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
to be held on
Thursday 23rd of January 2020 at 18h00
at
Rosedene Lodge, 3 Rosedene Road, Sea Point

- 1. Welcome and Apologies** VM
Present: Victor Morris, Michael Ender, Juanita Levetan, David Rose, David Polovin, Ari Vayanos, Lizaan Loedolff
Apologies: Marco van Embden, Lydia Abel

- 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**
 - 2.1. Approval (21 November 2019)
Proposer: Junita Levetan
Secunder: David Polovin

- 3. Matters Arising** ALL

- 4. Short Notice Agenda Items** ALL

- 5. Ward Councillor Feedback Report** Cllr NJ
 - 5.1. White Horses SFB Sign Removal
Councillor Jowell confirms that White Horse art instillation has been completely removed from the Promenade, including the sign with the SFB logo on it. Both the sign and art instillation was badly damaged and in terrible condition.
 - 5.2. Additional Green Bins along Beach Road
LL reminded Councillor Jowell to follow up on the possibility of additional green bins along Beach Road, Sea Point.
 - 5.3. Safe Spaces
The Executive Committee discuss the possibility of another Safe Space with Councillor Jowell. She confirms that it is very difficult to get a firm answer from anyone within The City of Cape Town but it seems as if Belleville and the CBD have been earmarked to be the next spaces although nobody is willing to give out any concrete answers. She states that there are many community groups assisting the homeless and helping them onto the next step to allow them to get out of this cycle. Michael Ender states that this needs to happen quicker, that these delays are unacceptable! SFB can raise the funds if there is a worthy cause to support. The current situation with the homeless is getting worse and worse, there is simply not enough shelters. Councillor Jowell confirms that shelters are not the mandate of The City while ME feels that it should be something The City should prioritize. The Safe Space is not a shelter, it is a transitional space. ME states we need to break the cycle, they need to be off the street, into a shelter and provide them with food and work. A workshop is suggested by DP and very supported by Councillor Jowell. DP confirms SFB must have input from as many people (ratepayers) and then get everyone in the same room to take part in the conversation. JL confirms we need to meet with Hassan Khan from The Haven as well. JL feels SFB need more community buy in from the residents.
 - 5.4. Promenade
There has been concern about the state of the new grass over the festive season. The Councillor did inspections with the Parks Regional Head to check. They had anticipated problems over the

peak period of 24th Dec till 6th January. The water could not be done as they would have liked due to days of high wind and then days when the area was already busy from 08:00. Since the 6th January they have fertilised the new grass and watering has been increased. The areas which the irrigation is struggling to reach are being hand watered. Most of the areas that were struggling were already green and lush again when the Councillor walked middle of last week and they are closely monitoring this. She wants to reassure residents that a full maintenance plan is in place and additional hands to implement it.

5.5. Litter and Rubbish

This was especially bad on over the holidays and the Solid Waste department worked very long hours over the festive season. The Councillor thinks sometimes they might empty the bins too early, they need to empty it out later in the day. She is working on a summer readiness programme now so that it is ready for the festive season for 2020.

5.6. Weed spraying

The Councillor arranged for spraying of the weeds in November and they removed weeds as well. It seems as if they missed some spots. The sub council will meet with them tomorrow to discuss how this happened and what they will do to rectify it.

5.7. St James Parking

A resident requested an added parking bay for disabled drivers and passengers in St James Road as this street has become very busy as a result of local business. Since this was the only request she received, she requested the input of SFB. The committee feels that since this was only one request, and that this will result in one less parking, it should not be done.

5.8. Weather

Due to the severe wind over the past weekend there has been massive electrical outages and serious damaged to some of the buildings in the Main road. The City attended to several electrical outages, but there were certain tasks that could not been done since there are only four teams but there were delays and certain areas could not be fixed due to trees that fell down and extreme wind, the health and safety of the teams where more important.

5.9. Motorised Scooter on Promenade.

Councillor Jowell confirms that anything with a pedal is allowed on the Promenade. The City will investigate to see if there can be two sections where the cyclists and walkers can be separate but she will meet with the roads department. The possibility exists that in a cycle lane, people will be faster, and more aggressive in 'their' space.

6. Ward Committee Member Feedback Report

6.1. Update

The next meeting will take place in February.

7. Avenue Response Feedback Report

JL

7.1. Update

All payments were received and is up to date. They are doing strong patrols and three of their response vehicles are patrolling. There is nothing that they can do about homelessness as it is not a crime, but they try their best to move them along and speak to them.

7.2. Trackers

LL to confirm the existing perimeters, it might be that it needs to be broadened now that we use a vehicle instead of the mobile units that can move closer to the buildings. LL to contact UTrackIt.

7.3. Signs

There are still no time frame for when we will receive the new signs, but MB will forward the updated and final quote, according to him it is much lower than anticipated. SFB will pay 50% and AR will pay the remaining 50%.

7.4. Successes

There has been several successes, and this has been shared on social media. We have also received good feedback from Van Riebeeck.

7.5. Last Payment for PPA

DP suggest against litigation as it can be very timely and expensive. He will handle the negotiation and will provide feedback; he enjoys the support of AV and the rest of the Committee.

8. Straatwerk Feedback Report

JL

8.1. Update

The Straatwerk initiative is working perfectly with no problems.

8.2. Social Intervention contract cancelled

The Fieldworker employed by SFB through Straatwerk has been cancelled since The City provided Sea Point with its own fieldworkers. This money can be better spent elsewhere.

9. Finance

VM

9.1. Update

VM and his finance assistant continue to manage the day to day transactions and invoicing. LA and VM authorize payments, while ME make the payments. It has been agreed that the finance assistant will receive R2500 per month.

10. Liquor License Applications

10.1. On Point

Shop 1 of EL Rio Shops 315 Main Road Sea Point

Extended Hours (02:00am – 04:00am)

Councillor Jowell suggest we strongly encourage the community to object. Decodance and El Mariachi both have liquor licenses until 04:00am. Although El Mariachi is not that big of a problem since it is not a club but rather a handful of people gambling, enjoying a beer, the Sea Point Main Road is mainly a residential area and alcohol consumption during these extended hours normally goes hand in hand with excessive noise and often violence.

10.2. Atlantic Express Train Restaurant

1B Regent Road Sea Point Cape Town

On Premise Consumption

No Objection

10.3. Latitude Café

101 Regent Road 9th Floor Section 901 and 902 Sea Point Cape Town

On Premise Consumption

Although they are not far from a school, it is up on the 9th floor. SFB will monitor the situation.

11. Safety & Cleaning Initiative Feedback Report

JL

11.1. SCI Sign Ups

SFB will continue to sign up blocks and business to contribute to the Safety & Cleaning Initiative.

11.2. Atlantic Seaboard Action Group Public Meeting – 29 January 2020

Paul Jacobson will host a public meeting to discuss the decay of Sea Point. Juanita

Levetan & Michael Ender will attend this meeting.

11.3. Punta del Mar

JL and ME attended a meeting with Punta Del Mar, discussed all their concerns and they are more understanding and supportive.

12. SFB PlanComm

VM/AV

- 12.1. 15 Kloof Road Outcome
After a professional presentation by Gordon Metz of the SFB Planning Committee and Quintus Thom (Tommy Brummer Town Planners), The City of Cape Town has decided to revoke their original approval of this application. The applicant has contacted the Planning Committee to discuss a way forward, the committee are waiting for the amended plans.
- 12.2. Lauren Bolus Resignation
Due the being in her third trimester, SFB Planning Committee Chair has decided to resign from the Committee.
- 12.3. New Chair & Vice-Chair
Ori Saban has been the Vice-Chair of the SFB Planning Committee since LB was elected and has been voted as Chair by the Planning Committee. Gordon Metz was elected as Vice-Chair.

13. Resident Concerns

- 13.1. New Year's Eve Noise
The son of Whitey Basson held a reportedly raucous party on the at 90 Kloof Road on the 1st of January that started at 11am and continued through the night. PPA and SAPS were both called with no action. Without the correct facts, SFB is unable to assist. The person who concerned should provide all the facts to SFB and we can take it up directly with Mr Basson.
- 13.2. Aris Vayanos
AV will be away and unable to attend any meetings from the 22nd of February until the 8th of March 2020.

14. General

07:09.

15. Next Meeting

27 February 2020