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MINUTES
Tuesday 27 July 2010
at 7.30pm, Wattle Street Community Centre

Present: Chair – Pam Bigelow (President), Wendy Dowsett (Vice-President),
 Jeff Chopping (Treasurer), Jane Greig (Secretary), Lorri Williams, Maurice Milliner,
 Niki Cullington
 Members present: See Meeting Attendance Book

Regular items		Action
1.	Welcome Pam Bigelow welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	Apologies were received from Steve Mifsud, Steve Wettenhall, Lorri Chopping	
3.	Minutes of the previous Meeting Held on 29 June 2010 were confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting Moved : Lorri Williams Seconded: Jenny Cullington	
4.	Business arising from previous Minutes Maurice advised that the photo of the King & Queen 2010 will be ready to be put on the wall of the Community Centre by the next meeting.	
5.	Correspondence See schedule below. Moved : Pam Bigelow Seconded: Jane Greig	
6.	Treasurer's Report No report as the books are with the Accountants in preparation for the AGM (which is scheduled for September)	
7.	Reports Margaret Cochrane <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will attend a meeting of the Yorkeys Knob Business Association on Thursday and the vegetation officers will be there to discuss the foreshore plan. The aim is to clear the weeds, lift the canopy but make sure the ground cover remains. • Sand carting project has replenished the sand on the Cairns Esplanade. It will start again in a couple of weeks and the sand will go to Clifton Beach. Margaret thinks it would be good to recreate the beach at Half Moon Bay behind the marina and will try to get this done next. • Varley Street Village Project Plan will go to Project Planning at the Council. Margaret has spoken with them and she says that they are much more amenable to suggestions and she is looking for a better solution. Wendy asked if they could meet with us and Margaret will set this up. • Flood proofing along Varley Street is proceeding to plan. • Rates notices have been sent out and she suggests that people look at ways to pay including pre-payments. If anyone in dire straits contact Margaret. • Margaret has put in a request for a shed for YKRA use to be located in the Community Centre grounds. • Maurice asked if Margaret could use her contacts to get a Taipans player to come to the thank you BBQ for the kids who volunteered at the Festival. It was decided at the meeting that the BBQ would be held on Sunday 8 August from 4pm in the Community Centre grounds, • Cairns events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tennis courts will open at the end of August, a pro-am and then a Davis Cup tie in September will be held. Tickets will go on sale soon. ○ Oceania track and field events happening on 22-24 September ○ Festival Parade 21 August ○ Indigenous Art fair on 19 August • Questions from the floor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adrian Gover said that despite assurances from CRC nothing has happened re the drain behind his property. Council advised that it was the responsibility of owner and if they did not attend to the problem the CRC would do it and bill owner. This has been going on for 3 years. Margaret will talk to Adrian at the conclusion of this meeting. 	<p>Margaret Cochrane</p> <p>Margaret Cochrane</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alan Cullington said that tradesmen working on a house near the school were parking on the footpath and bike lane, and when they refused to move he called the police as he was concerned that school kids had to walk in the road. Margaret will look into this. ○ Adrian had seen the Conservation Volunteers van and wondered where they were working. Margaret advised that they could have been assisting with either the foreshore plan or at Cattana Wetlands. ○ Maurice noted that graffiti still on walls at Evans Street/Sims Esplanade, and Adair Street/Sims Esplanade. Margaret will look into it. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Margaret advised that she will be an apology for the August meeting as she will be in Mackay. <p>Police Beat - Snr Sgt Anthony Kirkham</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There was an instance recently of kids lighting fires on the sand dunes and over the golf course. Some of them had been charged and Anthony will be visiting the parents.. Hardly any of the kids came from Yorkeys. Anthony pleased that the Council are removing the sand so partying there might stop. ● There has been a change in legislation re drink driving - <i>all</i> provisional drivers and learners must have zero alcohol levels. ● There has been someone breaking into units in Yorkeys - Anthony knows who it is and has raided their house and found a quantity of stolen property which he is now tagging and logging. They live in Yorkeys, and have only been here a month so beware and lock up your homes until they can be properly charged. <p>Steve Wettenhall No report as Steve an apology.</p>	<p>Margaret Cochrane</p> <p>Margaret Cochrane</p>
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Current items/items held over from previous meetings

8.	<p>Yorkeys Knob Village Precinct Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pam gave update and read an email from the Mayor who <i>“agreed to send the idea to the Project Services area where it will be probably developed beyond the concept that it currently is. This brings new planners/project officers into the equation and a lesser chance of any ‘blocking’ happening”</i> ● Wendy Dowsett said that it had been agreed by the residents at various YKRA meetings that the Council’s Plan was unacceptable and that we should push our Plan. It appeared that this issue has been going round in circles at the Council and getting nowhere. ● Wendy spoke with Vicki Hughes from the Yorkeys Knob Business Association and Vicki said that the Business Association fully support our plan and will write to the Council to endorse it. ● Ways were discussed on further strategies to push the Plan. 	
9.	<p>Social Housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A letter dated 4 July 2010 from YKRA was written by Wendy to the Regional Director FNQ Department of Communities re public housing proposed for Cunningham Street, which is 25 studio units, on 3 or 4 storeys. Our letter suggested a more acceptable form of housing would be 4 single dwellings which would provide ground floor accommodation with private open space/garden for each tenant, which would be more socially and environmentally acceptable and dramatically reduce capital and running costs. This would benefit both the intended residents and the current residents of the area. ● Alan Cullington had also written suggesting that this was an opportunity for the Department of Communities to do something properly and avoid a repeat of other developments in the northern beaches. 	
10.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2010/2011 Membership renewals now due. ● The Water Dragon raffle winner was Margaret Cochrane. 	
11.	<p>Next Meeting The meeting closed at 8.35pm with a reminder that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday 31 August at 7.30pm.</p>	

Correspondence in since the previous meeting:	Correspondence out since the previous meeting:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cheque received for \$150 from Villa Marine for advertising ● KH Accountants – notification of new contact person ● Bendigo Bank statement ● Annual Return from Office of Fair Trading for completion after AGM ● Email response from Mayor re Varley Street Village Precinct Project ● Operational Management Plan from Cr Margaret Cochrane ● Newsletters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Steve Wettenhall ○ Neighbourhood News ○ Machinations ○ YK Community Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Letter to Regional Director FNQ Department of Communities re public housing ● Cairns airport re Cairns land use submission