



Yarra Yarra Catchment Management Group

AGENDA

April 26, 2007

10.00 am

YYCMG Office Perenjori

General Meeting

Agenda

1 Open Meeting

- 1.1 Attendance – Max Hudson, Chris King, Dene Soloman, Katie Hasleby, Wally Barnes, Georgie Troop, Stacey Hudson, Jan MacPherson, Cathy Cook, Jo Ashworth, Dave Baxter, Paul Parnham, Trevor Johnson, Stan Scott
- 1.2 Apologies – Graeme MacDonald, Keith Carter, Hannah Sadler, Richard Lee, Kevin Lyon, Peter Syme

2 Previous Meeting Minutes

- 2.1 Amendments- nil. *Moved Jan MacDonald seconded Wally Barnes. carried*
- 2.2 Matters arising from previous minutes- nil

3 Executive Reports

Chairmans report

Chris King resignation letter. New chairman Peter Syme who unfortunately couldn't make meeting today. Chris to chair this meeting.

3.1 Secretary

3.1.1 Correspondence In- none

3.2.2 Correspondence Out- none

3.2 Funding and Finance (SH)

3.2.1 Financial report

Given by Stacey Hudson Balance of 62,886 uncommitted funds.

Moved Stacey Hudson Seconded Wally Barnes. Carried

Discussion on Paleo project, running very late

3.2.2 Utes – Ian's ute – Midland Toyota \$24,500 Boekeman – \$19,000 Jollys – \$18,000 Trade in needed to pay out lease. Options to consider – 06 model Navara, delivery, trade in value and pay out of lease. Midlands Toyota, Aug delivery but reduce trade in to \$24,000. By the 06 model Navara for Katie now, and order the Hilux from Midland Toyota. Pay the residual on 12/5/07 and then recoup payout value in August. *Moved Wally Barnes Sec Jan MacDonald. Carried.*

3.2.3 Staff positions at Kalannie

Positions advertised. Jo Ashworth and Cathy Cook only applicants. Monitoring position also advertised. Jason King and David Hudson only applicants.

3.2.4 Ownership of motorbike & trailer

resolved

3.2.5 Final reports for Oil Mallee & Mongers 55 projects

Oil mallee report with NACC. MU55 still to be done and put on a disk. To Bill Currens ASAP

3.2.6 Policies

Policies from NACC. Stacey, Dene and Max working through them

3.2.7 Recent asset purchases

Katie's computer \$1600, toughbook computer \$4200 demo model through rockit science. Tony Corey approved \$57200 for new RTK equipment. Perenjori furniture \$1600. mobile whiteboard \$600. External hard drive for Kalannie.

3.2.8 Employee contracts

All copies out. signed copies to be sent back to Stacey now.

4 Reports

4.1 NRMO report

4.2 Oil mallee report

4.3 Drilling report

4.4 Project update

4.5 Easement discussion Max.-

- Flexibility of easement?
- More scrutiny, does the drain once its actually dug still complying with the NOI
- Does fence have to be on the actual line of the easement?
- Responsibility of existing fencing.. boundary fence responsibility to us if in the easement.
- Width of drain. Max suggest 35m for delivery drain
- Wally Barnes suggests if there is surface water –(degraded land) 100m. (mildly degraded 50m) (good land) no surface water 30m.
- We must have reasonable access to the drain for maintenance.
- 30m from middle of drain definitely. The 50 & 100m ones are flexible
- If farmers not happy, have a couple of people (board) to for the farmer to be able to sit down with and discuss. Rather than one person. Suggested by Cathy.

Resolution. 30-50-100 to be in guidelines for NOI. Max to put in policy and bring to next meeting to be voted on.

- Easement survives change of ownership, but civil contract doesn't.
- Landcare levy. Special area rate. Two ways around it.
- Cathy & Jo to pursue how we set up a LCDC

Broombush- Georgie Troop

- Survival, growth rates excellent. Deep rooted.
- Existing species are what the buyers are after.
- Average harvest time 10years (first)
- 15-30 tonnes ha. \$40 tonne now. Future \$50 tonne
- \$0.04 seedling
- Large plantings give us more scope to negotiate with buyer on price.
- 100,000 trees left this year.

- 10K grant from LGov to organize roles and responsibilities of YY.
- Duplication of monitoring.. DoW, DAFWA and us. DAFWA lead agency.
- Hold back 10%- make part of future tenders.

- Yarra Yarra to order all of the seedlings remaining for this year to plant along various drains. *moved Chris King seconded Wally Barnes. carried*

4.6 Kalannie office report Burrakin clearing permits

Indigenous permits- Noogar tribe have concerns about sacred sites being destroyed. Suggest that we invite representatives out for a day to see what yarra yarra do and how we do it.

5 General Business

- 5.1 Development and planning
- 5.2 Communications

Other items.

6 Business without notice

MFIG seaweed project update. Three ponds have been dug and the first seaweed was planted last week.

Shire open plan software. Office staff are going to Perth to do some training on website development and maintenance. Katie to look into and maybe go with them or look into something similar.

7 Close meeting (approx 1:00pm)

- 7.1 Agenda items for next meeting
- 7.2 Next Meeting on 28th June 2007, 10.00am at Kalannie Office
- 7.3 Close meeting

Other Information:

All minutes of previous meetings are accessible on:

www.yarrayarracatchment.asn.au