

Minutes of General Meeting of the Amiens History Association

Held on Sunday 30 May 2021 at 2.00 pm

At the Amiens Legacy Centre

Present: Morwenna Harslett, Colleen & Roger Willis, David & Marlene Muir, Frank Arcidiacono, Peter & Karen Klemm, Heather & Don Dux, Deb Wheeler.

Apologies: Denise & Alec Harslett,

New Members: No new members. No report

Confirmation of Minutes: Moved Marlene Muir seconded Karen Klemm that the minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record. Carried

Business Arising from Minutes: NIL

Correspondence: Inwards: 26.05.21 – Email from SDRC Tourism Recovery Officer – Our Grant application for an Events Grant Round 2 was unsuccessful

28.05.21 – Phone call from David Littleproud - We have been successful in our application to Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal -Tackling Tough Times Together with \$38,889. (AHA will provide a contribution of \$5000 and in-kind contribution of \$1230 leaving a balance provided by grant of \$32,659

Outwards: Nil

Treasurer's Report: as per attached report.

Bank Balance as at 28/05/2021 was \$12,991.51. This will reduce to \$12,815.51 once the items in the “Bills still to be paid” are processed. Financial Report PDF attached.

Bills paid since last meeting :

- . Reimburse A & D Harslett \$63.70 (Groceries for Anzac Day event)
- . Reimburse A & D Harslett \$114.99 (Microphone & Stand)
- . Reimburse P & K Klemm \$51.99 (Beer for Anzac Day event)
- . Reimburse P & K Klemm \$69.99 (microphone stand)
- . Reimburse P & K Klemm \$74.95 (Trays)
- . Reimburse P & K Klemm \$117.50 (Hospitality Supplies; wine cups & paper towels)
- . Cherry Lane Nursery \$283.76 (creating electronic copies of scrapbooks & landscaping supplies)
- . Reimburse M Harslett \$343.40 (purchase of Thermal Binder & covers)
- . MJ Forbes T/A TN Art \$176.00 (1/4 page Ad in High Country Escape)
- . Granite Belt Art & Craft \$220.00 (Ad in GBART Events Brochure)

- . Print N Copy \$310.00 (500 souvenir stickers)
- . Reimburse M Harslett \$232.50 (A4 Paper, printer refills, Thermal Binding covers)
- . Ergon Energy \$50.23 (Electricity 30/3-30/4/21)
- . Reimburse CD & RJ Willis \$41.68 (trinket supplies)
- . Bills still to be paid (\$176.00):

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The spreadsheet used to record AHA Financial records has been amended to include extra columns so that we can track more accurately the income & expenditure for various events, grants etc. Thanks to Lindsay Barling for doing this for us.

Balance Sheet attached. Moved Peter Klemm and seconded Colleen Willis. Carried.

Working Party Reports:

Buildings: Refer to general business.

Karen will approach Rob Wilkinson (builder) for his suggestions on the design and structure. It needs to be such that an extension can be added at a later date and have an awning. We should try to create an amphitheatre with our placement of buildings.

Karen thanked Roger for his work with the grant and Barry Creed. Morwenna H will write thank you letters.

Report moved Karen Klemm seconded Roger Willis. Carried.

Memorial Park: No report available. We need to investigate the costs of metal cut-outs for along the avenue. We need to come up with appropriate designs, size required according to panel sizes and the cost. Perhaps we could apply to RADF for a grant.

History: Deb reported that the Daily Journal will be reporting Stanthorpe news on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Hopefully they will include an Italian section. We should support the local newspapers as the information will help when applying for grants as well as to record our heritage and legacy for the future. Morwenna H. said we should take photos on our phones as events happen when we are on duty at the carriage and pass on to Heather.

Report moved Deb Wheeler and seconded Colleen Willis. Carried.

Building Maintenance: Peter Klemm painted the other side of the carriage roof. He plans to oil the deck now that the path is cemented. Tim from Solar Blessing has sent the official quote. Please find his submission attached. Even though the quote says it is valid for 2 weeks he has said not to worry about that. Propose that we accept his quote and proceed with the installation of the panels on the carriage shed roof using the available funds in the bank account to pay for it.

Moved Karen Klemm and seconded David Muir that we accept the quote from Tim at Solar Blessings for the panels approved by the committee at a previous meeting. Carried.

Publicity: Facebook blogs are being published at regular intervals with good responses.

The car/bumper stickers are in the carriage at a cost of \$2 each. When and if we need to order more, even if we wish to change the picture, there should be no additional cost to us.

After reading the minutes of the last Executive Meeting I downloaded the Membership details for the GBWT, a copy of which I have printed for your interest. I would think that the Tourism Supporter membership at \$180 per year would be all we'd need. The application can be filled in and sent via their webpage. We are already listed with the ATDW but I still need to be able to upload some high resolution photos of our attractions to finish the job.

The SDRC page is a bit of a nightmare for me but I will keep at it during the week and try to make sure we are listed with them.

I have never heard of Monuments of Australia so I googled it and sent them a thumbnail of our aims to preserve local history with a query as to whether they considered AHA suitable to be included on their page. No reply yet.

The next Settlement News is ready to send to Colleen for proofreading so if there is no information from this meeting to be included it will be with her this week.

Moved Heather Dux and seconded Colleen Willis. Carried.

Landscaping & Grounds Maintenance: The cement path to the carriage is half done. Eric is doing a professional job. He hopes to finish the project next week. Eric's love of concrete will mean that the project will be slightly over budget and a bit different to my vision. I did ask Eric to do the job, so have been happy to give him free reign.
With regards to the new shed, I suggest that we explore the possibility of replicating something similar to the old ticketing office. We need to be mindful that Barry has already invested time into designing a shed.

Other Business:

Roger has done a batch of square trinkets. There is still enough tin to do another batch. These are selling well.

Roger reported on the FRRR grant. We applied for 2 grants and we got everything we asked for totalling \$35,889. \$1230 in kind donation and our cash contribution of \$5000 means we were awarded \$32,889. Our quotations and documentation must support what we have indicated that we will do. To acquit the grant, functionability must meet the requirements of the grant. We received a quote from Rob Wilkinson and he was very obliging. Howards on the other hand were very slow to provide a quote. Karen outlined her vision of using the Passchendaele shed for storage due to the high cost of refurbishing it to be suitable as a resource room.

It was moved Marlene Muir and seconded Heather Dux that the new building is to be the resource/research centre. Carried.

Alex spoke to Michael Muller about his group of running friends wishing to do a half marathon finishing at the carriage. I suggested that he shoot for a Sunday and that we provide them some refreshments when they arrive.

Deb and Heather agreed that we should approach Andreas Leonakis to obtain his videos as he is a great advocate for AHA. Heather has his email address.

Meeting closed at 4.00 pm.

Next meeting will be held on Monday 5 July 2021 at 2.00 pm.