



KNYSNA RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING **HELD AT THE KNYSNA BOWLING CLUB** **ON 30TH SEPTEMBER 2015**

<u>Present:</u>	As per the attendance register
<u>Apologies:</u>	Peter Southey, Stan Davis, Franc and Penny Bentley and Leon Naude
<u>Adoption of minutes of previous AGM:</u>	Agreed
<u>Chairman's report:</u>	Read by Ian Uys and agreed
<u>Presentation of Treasurer's report, financial statements and budget:</u>	Read by Andre Sandiford and agreed
<u>Ratification of annual subscriptions:</u>	Agreed to R50 pa plus donations
<u>Election of Executive Committee:</u>	Except for the resignation of Graham Greenwood, the Committee to remain the same. No new nominations.
<u>Correspondence:</u>	None as this is dealt with at the monthly Executive Committee meetings
<u>Other business:</u>	Changes to the KRA constitution and KRA Trust deed: Both sets of changes agreed

General:

Pigs: Graham Macdonald read out a letter from Charles Langley regarding the pig nuisance, specifically in Upper Town. Graham asked should we bring the subject up at the next Mayco meeting. Richard Thorpe said the real issue is that of enforcement of the by-law. Judy Harrison asked if Animal Welfare, or a similar organisation, could assist if the municipality can't cope. The Chairman of Animal Welfare offered to ask their members if something could be done at their next meeting (Thursday 1st October).

It was agreed that this matter will be taken up with the Mayco at the next meeting and the feedback from the meeting will be given to the local press.

Greenwaste: Peter Hamp-Adams stated that the municipality had given permission to close the greenwaste dump at Brenton down (the only other one being at Harkerville). Judy Harrison (of the Brenton Ratepayers' Association) said that the dump at Brenton is one of their biggest issues but added

that since the fire a while ago, it has produced wonderful compost – surely a usable resource. Also that the loop road was now unusable. Graham Macdonald stated that he raised the subject of garden waste at the previous Mayco meeting in regard of turning garden waste into sellable compost. A council member said it was being looked into. Susan Campbell said there were issues with the site at Old Place with burning (health risks etc) but also that it is an opportunity to create jobs.

It was agreed to bring this issue up with the Mayco again

Councillor for Ward 10: Allan Lautenbach queried why the said councillor had failed to turn up after saying publicly that he would and be here to answer any questions. Ian Uys mentioned that he had come to see the KRA committee and that we had given him a list of grievances but that sadly he had only got as far as the first item, being that of broadband contracts. Susan Campbell pointed out that Peter Myers (councillor for Ward 10) is actually working hard and things are happening.

Mayco Meetings: Judy Harrison asked whether it would be possible to invite all Chairpersons to future Mayco meetings. Andre Sandiford agreed that we should get all groups to join up so that we can have a better impact. He also mentioned that we needed to get more members.

It was agreed that we would circulate to all Ratepayers' Associations details of the next Mayco meeting.

Mosque: The question of the proposed mosque was raised. Nothing much has changed. Susan Campbell mentioned that the parking site was leased to the Bowling Club until 2025 but that the municipality can requisition it for municipal use. Obviously the mosque is not a municipal usage and she hoped that sense would prevail and that another more suitable ground could be found.

Ian Uys then thanked everyone for their attendance and time.

The attendees also thanked the committee for their efforts.

The meeting was then closed.

Chairman