

Riebeek Valley Ratepayers Association

Minutes of the Committee Meeting

Date: 24 August 2023

Time: 18h00

Venue: The Barn, Riebeek Kasteel

1.Attendance

Basil Friedlander (BF)
Henk Bruwer (HB)
Jennifer Kamerman (JK)
Koos Erasmus (KE)
Mathiam Smit (MS)
Solveigh Smit (SS)

2. Apologies

William Pulles (WP)

3. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all present.

4. Approval of previous Committee Meeting Minutes

July 2023 Minutes were unanimously approved.

5 Matters Arising:

5.1 Committee Secretary replacement and website administration

5.1.1 As no suitable candidates were put forward by the Committee JK will
make an appeal to our membership to submit proposals for a new Secretary.

JK

5.1.2 Whilst the position of Secretary is vacant Committee members are to
please take turns to take minutes etc. (SS has had her turn)

ALL

5.1.3 Website Administration in the interim.

MS and SS managed to access the e-mails and update the Member list.

In spite of JK, MS and SS meeting with Joshua and his e-mail of guidelines

JK

Re accessing the Go Daddy Web etc. it remains too challenging.

JK to meet with Joshua and ask him to do the necessary maintenance of uploading
Minutes and other communications once a month until we find an IT “specialist”
to continue with the web maintenance.

JK to check with Joshua if access can be given to all committee members re e-mail access so that we can action requests from members pertaining to each of our portfolios soonest. (Possibly need to arrange a training session with all the committee members and Joshua.

5.2 Public Survey Results

BF to enquire directly from SM (Swartland Municipality) re the feedback/ findings of the IDP Survey and not via the Ward Committee.

BF

5.3 General SM communications

BF to liaise with Don King on Ward 12 (R Kasteel) Ward Committee WhatsApp communications informing the residents of SM notifications like the one R West has.

BF

5.4 Traffic and Roads

5.4.1 JK to extend deadline for feedback from ratepayers re problems to 30 September.

5.4.2 KE reported that SM acknowledged the problem at Deo Gloria and promised to Investigate but nothing has been done as yet.

SM has however cleared the sand and fixed the potholes in the street where KE lives.

HB suggested that in future correspondence with SM it is essential that the Ward Councillor be cc'd on all complaints re signage, stop streets, flooding etc.

ALL

JK to thank Joggie Jansen in her next correspondence for the 3 street lights

put up in R Kasteel.

JK

KE mentioned that there are still no lights in Van Riebeeck Street.

5.5 Building Guidelines

5.5.1 Re point 5.5.6 from the Minutes of 14th June 2023 – how plans submitted should be measured against guidelines. JK to speak with officials in the Planning Departments of McGregor, Standford and Greyton as to how it is implemented.

JK

5.5.2 HB and BF had a very successful lunch, discussion and tour of The Valley with

Alwyn Zaaiman, Alwyn Burger and 2 representatives from SM on 28th June 2023

HB

HB circulated a comprehensive Discussion Document to all Committee Members on 22nd August 2023.

HB offered to compile a “Terms of Engagement” document with the aid of JK and BF as we must not step on SM’s toes but keep it legal . The SM Planning department must put the rules in place based on our guidelines. We do not have the expertise to take accountability and responsibility for approval of plans.

5.6 Riebeek Valley Radio

5.6.1 JK to meet with Jonathan Genis on Monday 4th September re a brief resume of what the RVRA's purpose is and what we do.

JK

5.6.2 Monthly Raw Morning Market – 1st Saturday of each month.

Committee to commit to manning a stall, flyer/membership forms etc. to promote the RVRA.

ALL

6. Conclusion of Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 20h00

Next meeting date – provisionally 4 OCTOBER 2023

Signed: _____

Date: _____