

CONJOLA DISTRICT LAKECARE ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING,

MONDAY 9TH APRIL 2012

Meeting opened at 7-55pm.

Attendance

E Caswell, R Kerves, C Ashford, M Martin, L Floyd, K Realph, R Realph, C Brungs, M Brungs, L Reddacliff, B Wood, J Bragg, D Wilson, M Devitt, S Ferguson

Apologies

F Stewart, E and D Gratzner, D and L Simpson, A Van der Lely, K Buchanan

Minutes read:-Brendon Wood pointed out that the minutes were not accurate because his concerns that he raised re the DA 11/2364 and the DA 11/2420 had not been included in the minutes.

This will be rectified.

Minutes were then accepted:- R Kerves 2nd S Ferguson

Flood Study and Entrance Management update:-

David Wilson had a submission re the Draft Entrance Management Plan sent out to all members.

Motion :- The Conjola District Lakecare Association submit David's draft in its entirety to Council.
Brendon Wood 2nd Michael Brungs - carried

Brendon spoke in relation to his concerns regarding the myths that are circulating within the area about various aspects of the Lake's health and where it should be opened.

Michael Brungs produced a petition that he and others had been circulating that had quite a substantial number of names on it.

The petition in essence is requesting a dredging of the Lake. There was a heated discussion about the wording of the petition, but because the CCB had not been involved with the document it was felt that the CCB should have no input into the argument.

There followed a debate into what should be done in relation to the Entrance Management Plan.

It was also stated that icols are totally different from estuary and lake openings. There was documentation produced that a shark had been in the Lake in Jan. 1937.

Marion Devitt stated that she felt that we should accept what the scientists have suggested. It was suggested that a single issue meeting should be held in relation to the entrance management but this was not felt to be necessary.

She also said that she felt that the main problem with the Lake is the drainage system within the area and the water quality was a result of run off after rain.

Michael Brungs stated that 50,000 cubic metres of sand moves across the Lake entrance every year and that 40,000 cm. comes into the Lake and 10,000 cm. keeps going North .

David Wilson said that dredging of the Lake is being investigated. A presentation in relation to the above matter will be tabled at the next SSNR and FMC on

Thursday 26th April at the Ulladulla Council Offices at 4pm.

It was stated that disputes between individuals is not a matter for the CCB to be involved with. A dirty Lake is not an unhealthy Lake!

Report on the current status of the oyster leases

David Wilson said that the oyster leases were a matter for the Dept .of Fisheries to deal with. There is a major concern that the leases impede circulation within the Lake and David wrote to Fisheries in Port Stephens regarding this matter and he was then referred onto Glen Stables at Huskisson.

He was informed that a work order had been placed on the leases because they were in such poor condition.

David later contacted the Inspector because the work had not been done and as a consequence the owner has decided to relinquish the leases.

The owner is responsible for the removal of the lease and if he does not do that the leases will be removed and he will be billed for the work. Why were the leases allowed to be

transferred in such poor condition in the first place?

General Business

Members were asked to email possible agenda items for the next General Meeting

It was felt that the CCB should agree on a mission statement at the next meeting

Elaine will email out to the membership the new Boating Management Plan for Lake Conjola

Discussion on the DA for the shop at Fishermans Paradise

An apology was requested in relation to the above matter

David Wilson agreed to remove the wording re the viability of a shop within the village because that is a matter for the owner.

In future the submissions regarding DAs should go to a vote at a CCB meeting whenever possible.

A copy of the CCB submission should be sent to all DA applicants in the future.

Meeting closed at 9-20pm.

Next meeting to be held on June 18th commencing at 7pm in the Lake Conjola

Community Hall

Future agenda items

1. Mission Statement in relation to the rules and conduct of members at meetings

CONJOLA DISTRICT LAKECARE ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING,

MONDAY 18TH OF JUNE 2012

Attendance:- E Caswell, M Martin, L Floyd, C Ashford, E and D Gratzner, L Reddacliff, M Cook, S Wilson, D Wilson

Apologies :- P Lindsey, F Stewart, K Percival, M Devitt, M Brungs, G Phillips, R Kerves, S Ferguson

Minutes of previous meeting:- Read and accepted L Floyd, 2nd L Reddacliff

Matters arising:- Leo Floyd pointed out that the DA 11/2364 and DA 11/2420 were both approved

Correspondence :- Presented and accepted M Martin 2nd C Ashford

Treasurers Report:- Presented and accepted E Caswell 2nd David Wilson

1. David Wilson explained that the name change for the Association had been accepted by Shoalhaven City Council and that the application to expand the CCB to include the catchment area west of the Highway was approved. David also presented a map of the CCB and offered to forward it to any of the members.

2. David informed the meeting that he produced a power point presentation and had presented it at the SDC on May 21st. He explained that Conjola and Berringer Lakes had been given a W1 status and that Fishermans Paradise channel was not included.

The meeting was also informed that all W zonings would be reviewed at a later date.

The R5 lots at Conjola Park will be height mapped at 8.5m.

There is a problem with Killarney and a Crown lot because it is felt that they should be zoned E3 but they are privately owned and the owner's consent is needed to change the zoning. It is felt that this could be changed when the LEP is re-advertised

Green Is has been rezoned E2

The west part of the Nature Reserve is another problem re zoning because there is conflict between NPWS nominated zoning and the possible ownership of the property.

3. David reported on the CCB single issue meeting re the Flood Study Risk Management Plan held on June 4th. The meeting discussed options and community responses.

Council will hold public meetings re this issue in the future.

4. David reported on the current status of the oyster leases. He stated that he and Col Ashford had inspected the leases and had sent a letter and photos to the DPI voicing their concerns in relation to the matter. Col also stated that there has been a reduction in the amount of Caulerpa present in the Lake

5. Col Ashford told the meeting that the Lake is a prime location for proposed fish restocking and he is attempting to achieve this by contacting the relevant organisations.

Motion

The CCB will prepare a press release supporting fish restocking in Lake Conjola and issue it to suitable media organisations.

David Wilson 2nd Leo Floyd--- Carried

6. Catchment Action Plan: - The CCB has been asked to write a submission to the Southern Catchment Management Authority in relation to Lake Conjola. This is hoped to develop a new plan for the Lake and will also assist with improving its cleanliness.

7. A question was posed as to how long the residents will have to pay the \$180 added onto their water rate every quarter for the sewerage connection-nobody could give an answer.

8. When will the home and business owners who have not yet connected to the sewerage system be told that they must do so?

9. Council Draft Delivery Program (Budget) - It was felt that all of the issues that have been raised to Council by the CCB have been ignored and we should commence lobbying over these issues.

10. Communication with Council- The difficulty finding the correct person to raise particular issues with was raised and having 1 single person to contact re Lake Conjola would be of benefit.

General Business

The storm water drain in Aney Street: - Why can't Council make the storm water run into the drains?

There is a complaints box on the Council web site and the above would be an issue that should be put on there.

It was felt that the CCB should adopt standing orders at all meetings in order to prevent any future problems.

Motion:- A letter of congratulations should be sent to the Redhead CCB on the appointment of Peter Hudson to OAM-David Wilson 2nd E Caswell –carried

It was stated that tenders had been received by Council in relation to the work to be done on the foreshore near the Deep Water Caravan Park and Council will be making a decision soon.

It was stated that the residents would prefer the full name of Fishermans Paradise to be used instead of Fishos.

A discussion was held in relation to DAs and it was pointed out that this had been investigated in full at the April meeting and as such was minuted in that meeting's minutes.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-30pm

Next GM- Monday- August 20th at 7pm.

P.S. THERE WILL BE A COMMUNITY FORUM AT THE MOLLYMOOK SURF CLUB ON MONDAY 16TH JULY FROM 4-7PM REGARDING THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PLAN

**CONJOLA DISTRICT LAKECARE ASSOCIATION - COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE BODY FOR LAKE
CONJOLA, CONJOLA PARK AND FISHERMANS PARADISE**

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES,

MONDAY 20TH AUGUST 2012

Lake Conjola Community Hall

1. Attendance-M Martin, D Wilson, E and D Gratzler, L Reddacliff , J Montgomery, B Wood, C Ashford, M Cook, R Kerves, M Devitt, E Caswell
 2. Apologies- M Brungs, F Stewart, R Miller (Cr), A Findley (Cr), J Ferguson (Cr), J Clarke
 3. Minutes read and accepted -D Wilson, 2nd C Ashford
 4. Matters arising
 - a. Council is sending out letters to residents who have not connected to the sewerage system indicating the connection is compulsory
 - b. The Executive requested Council to nominate one individual who could be contacted in relation to issues within the CCB. Council were not prepared to do so and indicated that any maintenance issues or complaints could be addressed to the Council web site
- Advantages – The complaint is recorded and must be replied to. It was pointed out that the drainage problem on the corner of Aney Street had been complained about but still is a major problem.
5. Correspondence-read and accepted-D Wilson 2nd M Martin Mr Wood asked for a copy of a letter sent in by Mr Floyd which was denied. Mr Wood and Mr Montgomery then requested that the matter be looked into and the President stated that she would seek advice on the matter.
 6. REF-The REF will be funded and there will be a draft published and a public meeting held. The issue is whether there could be a central or southern opening because at this moment there is only approval for a northern opening. The manual opening of the Lake restrictions remain the same ie. 1m or .8m at Xmas and Easter

7. Work is to commence on the foreshore area near the Deep Water Caravan Park in September

8. The Estuary Management Plan has been in operation for the last 10 years- Council believe that it is a success and it has been reviewed recently and results can be found on the Council web site. The CCB should make a response to the Plan and so should individuals, particular mention should be made of the both Conjola Creek and the oyster leases.

9. Meeting is to be held on Thursday 23rd August 5-30pm to 7pm in the Community Hall in relation to the Floodplain Risk Management Plan

10. Leslie Reddacliff and Fiona Stewart have voiced concerns about the poor land management and environmental issues within Conjola Creek .David contacted SRCMA and took a canoe trip up the Creek with Leslie to have a look on behalf of the CCB. There is a strong feeling that the rainforest area along the Creek is in urgent need of protection.

Motion- That the CCB applies to the SRCMA for funding in relation to this matter.

D Wilson 2nd. R Kerves carried

11. Oyster leases- DPI can't state who currently hold the licence for the leases because it is in commercial confidence. The leases are a boating hazard and the Catchment Management Authority should be contacted along with the CCB running a media campaign. In addition Shelley Hancock should be contacted about the problem.

Motion. D Wilson 2nd R Kerves carried

12. SCC Growth Management Strategy- Nobody knew about this but a response should come from the CCB - this matter is not urgent

13. There have been no DAs in this area over the last 2 months. Mr Wood pointed out that the DAs in Fishermans Paradise as mentioned in previous minutes have 10 pages of conditions that must be adhered to.

14. The SLEP NSW review planning system: - the green paper is a discussion paper A white paper will be the draft. There is a risk that the SLEP old system may get placed into the new system. Community groups should comment on the above process ie. Spot rezoning

There will be a meeting with Shelley Hancock, Gareth Ward and the Minister in Parliament House in Sydney on Sept. 6th.

15. Tanks have now been put into HH Caravan Pk. so that the grey water goes into the correct sewerage system.

16. Roads:- Council has taken over the responsibility of the HH road-There is no funding left to repair that road. This issue should be brought to the attention of the new Ward 3 Councillors. Is this worth a single issue meeting- It was decided that this was not necessary. It was stated that there is a \$1.8m surplus-Why isn't this being used?

17. CCB Netbank facility:-Motion-The CCB organise a Netbank facility -R Kerves 2nd. D Wilson – carried

18. It was pointed out to the meeting that the CCB would benefit from the purchase of a laptop and data projector: - David Wilson will investigate and cost these items.

Meeting Closed at 8-42pm.

CONJOLA DISTRICT LAKECARE ASSOCIATION

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE BODY FOR LAKE CONJOLA, CONJOLA PARK AND FISHERMANS PARADISE

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

15 October 2012

Lake Conjola Community Hall

1. Attendance :-R Kerves, Terry, C Ashford, D Treloar, T Flanagan, D Flanagan, M Devitt, C and M Brungs, B Wood, E and D Gratzler, N and B Woodcock, S Wilson, K and S Percival, D Wilson, S Ferguson, E Caswell.

Visitors: - R Massie, I Ghetti (SCC Council) P White, A Findley, A Baptist (Councillors)

2. Apologies: -K and S Dodimead, G and B Phillips, M Martin, J Clarke

3. Minutes from previous meeting accepted:- D Wilson, S Ferguson

4. Correspondence accepted:- S Ferguson, C Ashford

5. Treasurers report accepted:- D Wilson, E Caswell

6. Estuary Management Plan:- Mr Ray Massie SCC Coast and Estuaries Officer and Ms Isabel Ghetti made a presentation to the meeting in regard to the plan which is on exhibition until November 9th. It was explained that the plan is about managing the Lake and its catchment. The projects that have been delivered in relation to this are Flood Risk, Estuary Management and Lake Opening and the Estuary Management plan joins all of these together.

7. Lake Entrance opening: - Discussion took place in relation to the opening of the Lake. It was acknowledged that the community is not happy about the situation. It was stated that there are private properties at risk of flooding when the Lake is closed. Money is available from the Government in relation to Flood Risk Management. There is a Coastal Management Plan which takes into consideration sand erosion. There is a need for a sustainable management of estuaries.

8. Repair or replacement of the Boardwalk: - Access to the beach for disabled individuals cannot be taken down it must be either repaired or replaced.

Motion:- That the boardwalk project at lake Conjola be replaced on a like for like basis i.e. to be replaced with an elevated accessible boardwalk that protects vegetation and provides easy access to the beach. D Wilson 2nd L Floyd

Carried

9. Infrastructure Survey:-Marian Devitt gave a briefing on the proposed Survey.

Motion: - The CCB approach Council requesting funding for the mailing out of the survey. B Wood
2nd M Brungs Carried

10. Dumped animals: - David Wilson reported on the dead animals dumped at the side if Conjola
Creek and their subsequent removal after the CCB intervention.

11. Oyster Leases: - The meeting was informed by David Wilson about the current situation
regarding the oyster leases and he stated that the issue would be strictly monitored.

12. SLEP: - David Wilson explained all that has been going on with the SLEP and the various meetings
that he has attended and the concerns that we should have in relation to the SLEP. David is worried
that the reception from Council was not as reassuring as that of the NSW Minister.

13. General Business:-

Brendon Wood voiced a concern in relation to the 3 shipping containers that are in Fishermans
Paradise village.

Brendon also voiced a concern in relation to the number of vehicles that are parked on the corner of
both Lake Conjola and Fishermans Paradise entrance roads and the Princes Hwy. He feels that they
block driver's vision and could cause an accident.

Meeting closed at 9-15pm

Next Meeting Monday December 17th at 7pm

Conjola District Lakecare Association CCB

General Meeting,

Monday 17th December 2012

Minutes

Attendance:-E Caswell, R Kerves,M Martin, D Wilson, D Watson, S Newby, L Dunn, J Newby, C
Ashford, L Reddacliff, M Brungs, G Watson, B Wood, S Ferguson, M Devitt, Y Bennett, F Ardern, S
Wilson, F Stewart

Apologies: - N and G Sullivan, T Lawrence, A Findley, A Baptist

Previous minutes read: - Brendon Wood pointed out that there was a problem re the matter of
funding in the previous minutes and that this should be rectified-This was noted and will be done.

Minutes were then accepted -D Wilson 2nd C Ashford

Correspondence: - Read and accepted-R. Kerves 2nd S Ferguson

Treasurers report: - Presented and accepted –R Kerves 2nd B Wood

Motion: - That the CCB pay SCC the excess money due for the postage of the Infrastructure Survey- E Caswell 2nd D Wilson carried

General Business

1. David Wilson explained that the concreting of the Aney St boat ramp was not necessary, parking was more essential. The area should be properly surfaced and drained in order to control runoff. The CCB should ask Council to provide a map of the ramp and the proposed parking. The CCB should have the map by the next GM. The CCB will contact Bill Patterson at SCC re portaloos to be situated along the Lake foreshore. Patricia White (Councillor) will check on the Havilland St Crown Land to ascertain whether Council has made an application to obtain that area for a future boat ramp.
2. Brendon Wood expressed his disappointment that the CCB had appointed representatives to be present at the afternoon meeting
3. Patricia White stated that there will be a like for like replacement for the Boardwalk. She also pointed out that the structure does not have to meet the same requirements and high standards as do buildings. There was discussion re the build up of slime on the boardwalk. The new Councillors are monitoring the number of referrals made to Council in relation to infrastructure that is in need of repair. It was stated the Conjola District should have 1 specific person to refer all complaints to.
4. Sue Ferguson gave a briefing on the Infrastructure Survey. Motion: - That a vote of thanks be given to both Sue and Marion on their work on the survey. M. Brungs 2nd S Wilson carried. It was asked whether it was possible to upload out the current survey results on our web site. Sue will investigate the matter.
5. Elaine Caswell gave a briefing on the Resilience programme. After a discussion it was decided that the CCB go ahead with a pre plan.
6. New Planning System in NSW for 2013. There are difficulties in it as David explained and that DAs can go through quickly but what if they are not acceptable.
7. LEP – SLEP review group. There was a meeting with the Minister and Senior Planning Officer for Wollongong which David attended and the Minister has adopted quite a few of the issues that the group suggested. The requirements have been forwarded to SCC and the LEP is to be re-examined. The DCP is no longer a statutory force and the LEP could be reorganised in the DCP. This could result in communities possibly losing their ability to comment on DAs.
8. It was stated that the CCB not become a member of the Better Planning Network until such time as we discover their political affiliations.
9. Parking at the turn off to both Fishermans Paradise and Lake Conjola Entrance roads. This is regarded as a Public Safety issue because vision is being blocked to motorists. There should be an 80km sign on Fishermans Paradise road and the double unbroken lines should be extended. The CCB should contact Michael Strachan over these matters.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-55pm.

Next GM will be on February 18th at 7pm in the Lake Conjola Community Hall

CONJOLA DISTRICT LAKECARE ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES, MONDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2013

Attendance

T & J Lawrence, J Hales, B Hackett, J Cubbry, J & S Newby, M Glenn, D Wilson, C Ashford, D & P Stockwell, P Castle, D Karak, M Cook, B Wood, M Devitt, S Ferguson, J Clarke, M Brungs, F Ardern, L Murphy, R Kerves, M Martin, E Caswell

Apologies

G & D Watson, G & N Sullivan

There was debate regarding who was entitled to vote at the meeting and it was stated that at that point in time only permanent residents and ratepayers had the right to vote

Previous Minutes read:- Brendon Wood stated that in fact it was not the CCB that he was disappointed with regarding the representatives for the afternoon meeting it was the CCB Executive. The minutes will be changed to indicate that that was the case. Minutes accepted:- D Wilson, 2nd S Ferguson

Correspondence tabled:-

The letters forwarded from the office of Shelley Hancock MP were read along with other emails

Correspondence accepted:- M Martin, 2nd S Ferguson

Treasurers report:- Midge Martin reported that there was \$1,091 48c in the CCB account

Treasurers report accepted:- E Caswell, 2nd S Ferguson

1. Col Ashford gave a report on the current state of affairs in relation to the Aney St boat ramp. He explained that a sketch of the proposed changes to the boat ramp was expected to be forwarded to the CCB the following week from SCC. Additional funding via Fisheries and Waterways may not be available because it was not a new boat ramp but was simply an upgrade.

2. David Wilson reported from the Friday meeting re the REF. There was considerable discussion regarding the Lake opening. Marion Devitt raised the question “ Do we need to look more closely at how we use the Lake?”

3. Frank Ardern asked the CCB to vote on the following motion:-

“Ratepayers in the Conjola District do not pay their rates and put the monies into a trust fund until such time that SCC come up with an acceptable management plan for Lake Conjola”

Col Ashford seconded the motion and it was carried 7-6

Councillor Amanda Findley arrived at 8-12pm.

4. Sue Ferguson and Marion Devitt addressed the meeting about the Infrastructure Survey. Motion:- That the CCB forward the results on to Council B Wood 2nd E Caswell carried

5. Elaine Caswell read the letter from The Hon Katrina Hodgkinson MP, Minister for Primary Industries regarding the oyster leases and fish restocking. David Wilson stated that both he and Col Ashford were going to go out on the Lake and check whether what the CCB had been told, that the oyster leases were being fixed ,was in fact occurring.

6. Resilience A motion was put by David Wilson 2nd M Brungs That the Conjola District Lakecare Ass ask for volunteers to form a group to look into any emergency plan that may have to be put in place should a disaster be imminent . Carried

7. SLEP update David Wilson reported that a white paper should be out shortly and the process will be streamlined. He also stated that controls were being removed and community groups are fighting against this because they will loose their right to comment on any development. There was a meeting of the SLEP group with Gordon Clark and Peter Adams last week regarding a letter received from the Minister. In that letter the Minister stated there were specific requirements that had to be complied with and the LEP had to be readvertised and he wants building heights, zone usage and biodiversity more closely reviewed.

8. BPN There was discussion as to whether the CDLA should join the Better Planning Network a vote was taken and it was accepted.

9. Dr Kerry Black David Wilson gave the meeting an insight into the qualifications of Dr Black. Motion That Dr Black be co-opted onto the CDLA in an advisory capacity. D Wilson 2nd S Ferguson carried

10. Other Business –Motion That the CDLA update the web site at a cost of \$67.90 per year carried

It was felt that not enough mention was made of the concerns regarding the Lake Entrance in the minutes, given that the majority of discussion at meetings was in relation to that issue.

The CCB will place a list of places on our web site were complaints can be made to Council.

The Dog Policy is not being adhered to because dogs are roaming free throughout the area. It was felt that Council should be more pro active in relation to this matter.

Pelican Itch-Warringah and Pittwater Council have published research into this issue and there are 3 links regarding the problem.

The CCB should make representation to Council about the parking of vehicles on the corner of both Fishermans Paradise and Lake Conjola Entrance Road. It was stated that this is in breach of Section 632 2B1 of the Roads and Traffic Act.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9-20pm.

There will be an AGM on Monday 22nd of April commencing at 7pm in the Conjola Community Hall followed by a General Meeting