

Minutes of the meeting of the T.W.R.A. held at Novotel Resort on Monday 14 April 2008

Opening President Geoff opened the meeting at 7:40 p.m welcoming all and asking new attendees to stand and welcomed to our Community. (16)

Attendance As Attendance Book (105)

Apologies As Attendance Book (11)

Minutes It was moved by Ed Berry, seconded by Ross Winks the minutes of the February meeting were a correct record. Carried

Guest Speakers

Sergeant Di Kirkman, Officer in Charge of the Crime Prevention Squad in the North Coast Police Region, addressed the meeting in her capacity as Police Liason Officer for Neighbourhood Watch. She told of the history of the organization in our area which commenced in October 1999. She is responsible for 45 similar groups. She stated Neighbourhood Watch will only work successfully if the residents get behind it. The organization started in Queensland in 1988 and now numbers 630. Sergeant Kirkman introduced the Twin Waters Co-Ordinator, Judy Cody, and thanked her for her efforts.

Sergeant Ben Cox of Coolool Police told of the effects a vigilant Neighbourhood Watch can have on a community. Our area was relatively Crime Free but he reminded the audience of a couple of problems like leaving garage doors open and leaving security alarms unattended, that could cause problems in the future if people were complacent. In conclusion Ben answered questions from the audience.

President Geoff thanked all Neighbourhood Watch Committee people and asked Judy and her team to stand and be acknowledged by the residents. He urged all to visit the website to find who was their local person to contact in time of trouble.

Councillor Debbie Blumel was welcomed to the meeting by President Geoff who spoke of her strong community efforts in the past. Debbie stated the electorate had voiced their opinion and wanted a balance of social, economic and environmental sustainability. She hopes to use her links to forge closer ties with the other 2 tiers of Government. She strongly supported earlier construction of the the East-West runway. She will be connecting with the Association and producing a priority list and time frame for projects for the next 12 months. She urged the Association to put forward a submission about the Desalination plant. She was against the development of the Canelands. In conclusion she answered questions from the floor. In thanking Debbie Geoff urged residents to voice any concerns by emailing info@twra. Geoff thanked Councillor Blumel for her attendance and hoped she would be a regular face at future meetings.

Fiona Simpson, local State member, was an apology because Parliament was sitting but emailed some local concerns to President Geoff. She urged the Association prepare a submission regarding the proposed building of a Desalination plant. She also stated a Letter Box drop will occur in the next week regarding roads in the area. She wished to congratulate Councillor Blumel on her election as our local Councillor.

Correspondence Out Mayor Abbot – Congratulations on election
Councillor Blumel -Congratulations on election
Joe Natoli –Thanks for your efforts
Tony Northey –Thanks for your efforts

It was moved by Ed Berry seconded by Cookie Jones the Correspondence be endorsed.

Treasurer's**Report**

Terry reported a balance of \$4290 with 259 members. It was moved by Terry and seconded by Rob Fletcher that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Local Reports

Social – Warwick stated plans had been made for:

- a. Dine Out on 29/4 at Cartwrights .Vacancies exist
- b. Bowls on 11/5 at Living Choice .Phone 54505148 to book
- c. Golf on 20/4 .Vacancies exist.Phone 54487246
- d. Christmas in July at Maleny. Ring 54505148 to book
- e. Christmas Carols 22/12 at Novotel
- f. Entertainment Book .See Cynthia or Malcolm Smith after the meeting._

Maintenance Ian stated all was progressing well but urged all who had problems to contact the Council Customer Service Centre.

Matters raised from the Floor

1. North Shore Soccer Club in Nojoor Road needs support.
2. The use of Settlers Park as a Used Car lot.
3. The parking of large trucks on Ocean Drive.
4. New website was great.
5. Thanks for delivery of Newsletters
6. Thanks for free membership from Century 21,L.J.Hooker and Realway.
7. Family Day at Apex Camp

North**Shore****Associations**

President Geoff reported on a recent meeting between Pacific Paradise, Marcoola , Mudjimba and Twin Waters Associations. Major items discussed were the siting of a desalination plant, the east-west runway, construction of a North Shore Hall and the future use of flood plain land.

Thanks

President Geoff thanked Novotel Resort ,Spar and Living Choice for their support.

Next meeting : June 2nd.

Closure: President Geoff closed the meeting at 9.20 p.m.