

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BALRANALD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 1st FEBRUARY 2017, COMMENCING AT 7:00PM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Steven O'Halloran, Gen McConnell, Vicki Burke, Mary Grisdale, Jill Bath, Bob Stewart and Carol Holmes.

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

Chair of Meeting:

There were 2 nominations received for Bob Stewart to Chair the meeting. Bob accepted and welcomed everyone.

### **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

1. Tree Planting at Cemetery, Melaleuca to be planted as shade at rear of lawn area. Golden Ash to supplement present central row with existing mop tops. DID to follow up.
2. Concentration on weed removal at various soft fall areas and further slashing to be undertaken in laneways with edge trimmer. Bob has asked for a report and advised that several soft fall areas need topping up.
3. Fallen gum trees in the river ways has been referred to Fisheries for lopping and realignment along the river.
4. Jill Bath has done some research on the burial sites for non-denominational/paupers in the cemetery, and will be discussed later.

Cr O'Halloran requested that the trees damaging the headstones in Presbyterian cemetery be removed. DID to investigate.

DID suggested maybe start a volunteer group to work in Cemetery and maybe the corrective services order workers could do some work at cemetery.

Gen McConnell suggested a "*Friends of the Cemetery*" group, DID to investigate.

### **New Business:**

1. Bob read out the functions of the Balranald Beautification Committee, and suggested if they had any plans for Balranald now was the time to be included in the Community Strategic Plan.
2. Moved Cr O'Halloran, Seconded by Jill Bath that \$10,000 for Beautification Committees be included in Councils 2017/2018 budget for consideration.  
Carried by consensus.
3. Vicki Burke advised that research had been completed regarding trees appropriate for Median Strips.

Bob advised the committee that the trees were not staked correctly or mulched when planted. He has asked staff members to follow up on the trees and take care of them. Vicki advised Bob that the plan was to only do a couple of median strips at a time per year. Jill suggested a program be initiated for watering of trees, Bob stated that some sprinkler systems were on timers. It was suggested that sprinklers be checked regularly to ensure working correctly. DID to follow up.

4. Jill advised the committee of 4 dead trees in Moa Street. 3 in front of cemetery on Golf Club side of road and 1 in front of a residence on same side of road of cemetery. DID to follow up.
5. Projects for committee – 4 year plan  
The committee agreed to continue with tree planting along the median strips. It was also, it was also discussed Council ensuring the water availability of all parks and gardens within Balranald. Bob explained the importance of having dedicated staff members for Parks and Gardens.
6. A discussion was held regarding the untidiness of private properties in Balranald and nature strips. Bob advised, unless it's a health hazard or fire hazard Council can do nothing about private property. Mary stated the property in discussion as almost being a fire hazard, footpath needs to be cleaned and mowed.
7. Vicki Burke advised the committee of her research of trees suitable for this town and tree planting program. Vicki also enquired about the trees along at the hospital end of Market Street. Bob enquired if Crepe Myrtle Trees would grow in Balranald. Vicki will bring a book with all Crepe Myrtle colours to next meeting.
8. Cemetery

Jill advised, after some research from senior members of our community, the Paupers and illegitimate childrens area of our cemetery is down the very back of the lawn cemetery towards the Presbyterian cemetery fence line.

9. Jill enquired of the possibility of Council purchasing a plaque in honour of Greg Camin and erect it at the Race Track.

**Jill Bath/Steve O'Halloran**

Carried by consensus

10. Cr O'Halloran enquired about the appearance of the Balranald Low Level Weir grassed area. Bob advised Water NSW is responsible for the weir, and would possibly not have enough resources to fill this role. If Council wishes they could maintain the grassed area, although not a lot funding in Councils budget.

Bob quoted "we should concentrate on looking after what we have rather than what we haven't".

Mary suggested that the committee should concentrate on autumn tree planting list.

There being no further general business the meeting closed at 7.50pm.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday 1st March 2017.

**Recommendation:** that the report be noted.

## STREET TREE PLAN - MEDIAN STRIPS

1. CHURCH ST. - CHINESE ELM
2. BANKS ST. - FICIFOLIA, RED
3. RIVER ST - TUCKERCO - 8-15m, MEDIUM TREE  
(COPANIOPSIS, ANACARDIODES)
4. DOWLING ST - TUCKERCO (AS ABOVE)
5. O'CONNOR ST - BOTTLE TREE
6. BALLANDILLA ST - WATER GUM 8-15m, MEDIUM TREE  
(TRISTANIOPSIS, IAGRINA)
7. WE ST - WATER GUM (AS ABOVE)
8. CALLY ST - FICIFOLIA, LOLLIPOPS (PINK)  
(CORYMBIA FICIFOLIA) 5-6m MEDIUM TREE

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## CUPANIOPSIS anacardioides (Tuckeroo)

A medium native tree with a dense, widely spreading crown, bears greenish yellow flowers in spring followed by yellow/orange fleshy berries contained in showy orange seed pods in summer.

### HEIGHT AND SHAPE AT MATURITY

Medium Tree: 8 to 15 metres  
Rounded Shape

### SPECIAL USES/FEATURES

As a Street Tree  
As a Specimen  
As a Shade Tree  
As a Windbreak  
Along Roadside  
Has Non-invasive Roots

### CONDITIONS

Suitable in Full Sun  
Suitable in Light Shade  
Suitable in Sandy Soil  
Suitable in Heavy/ Clay Soil  
Suitable in Loamy Soil  
Suitable in Salty Soil  
Suitable in Acidic Soil  
Is Frost Resistant  
Is Resistant to Drought  
Is Resistant to Pollution  
Is Resistant to Coastal Exposure  
Is Resistant to Tropical Heat



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## TRISTANIOPSIS laurina (Water Gum or Kanooka)

A medium native rainforest tree with a widely spreading canopy. It bears perfumed yellow flowers in summer and has a smooth, creamy brown trunk. Leaves turn red in winter in cooler areas.

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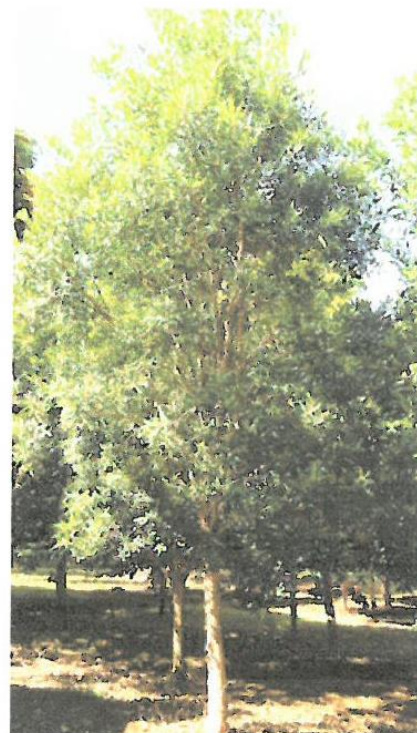
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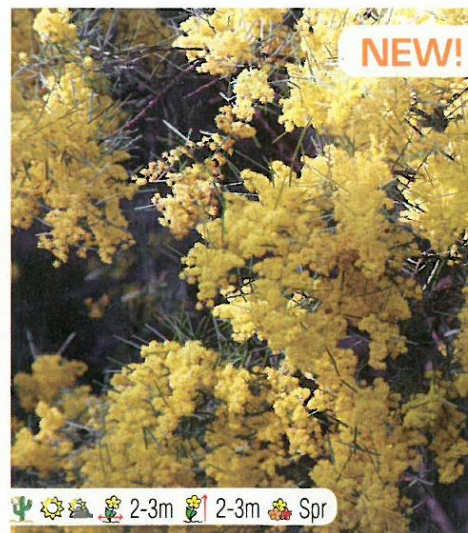


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