

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BALRANALD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 6th December 2017, COMMENCING AT 7:10PM

PRESENT: Jill Bath, Karen Norfolk, Mary Grisdale, Margie van Zanten and Gavin Helgeland.

APOLOGIES: Clint Jolliffe, Cr Steven O'Halloran, Vicki Burke.

BUDGET: [as of 7/12/17] Expended = \$5,325, Remaining = \$4,675

Business Arising:

1. Clint Jolliffe has joined the committee – Great News!
2. Tree Planting:
 - a. Planting Chinese Elms [37] ~3m-high (3yo) Murray's Form trees and Red Ficifolias [13] - 1.4m-high (1yo) planted on Bank St, Church St, Lions Park:

16 staked and 19 to be staked. **Gavin has made the request to Depot guys to complete this (email sent 7/12/17).**

Reticulation has been checked and workers are watering all trees with watercart.

- b. Cally St – 11 Pink (Lollypop) Ficafolias (Large plants) **to be ordered – Gavin to arrange.**
- c. 10 White Crepe Myrtles had died along the racetrack fence due to reticulation not working. **Proposal is to have them replaced at Council's expense (urban trees budget).**

2. Cemetery Rose Planting

- 79 donated roses have been planted at the lawn cemetery entrance (19/11/2017). Excellent work by Clint, Mary, Jill, Peter and others.





3. Next Stage of Tree Avenue Planting:
4. Cally St – 11 Pink (Lollypop) Ficafolias (Large plants) to be ordered.
5. ~~The committee has noted that the suckers around the tree at the Discovery Centre have not yet been removed.~~
6. Moa St trees have died and have been removed (White Crepe Myrtles). It is proposed to replace these (Council Budget) and ensure a water program and reticulation inspection protocol be adhered to in future.
7. Water filling stations. The DID suggested to install a watering station at the Lions Park and maybe at the school. Gavin presented examples as well as indicative costs of these filling stations. It was suggested that local businesses could place their business logos on the stations. Cost for the filling station and installation would come from the grant (\$10K), if other funds cannot be sourced.
8. ~~Work Health and Safety. Some members observed council equipment not being equipped with appropriate guards—line trimmers have guards removed (concern for passers by). Discussed – Gavin has engaged staff with WHS Officer on this matter.~~
9. Watering:
 - ~~Moreton Bay figs near Iluka needs watering.~~
 - ~~Bellandella street: Median strip near Myall Street needs watering~~
 - ~~Lawn at cemetery, where we have irrigation, seems to be dry.~~
 - ~~Street trees in main street where we do not have an irrigation system.~~
10. Greenham Park Racing Turf looks great—Pop/Mick—well done!

New Business:

1. Further work at the Lawn Cemetery: Committee would like to:
 - a. Extend the rose planting along an adjacent fenceline (it seems there are quite a few in our community that are willing to donate more rosebushes and there is some reticulation left over).
 - b. It is proposed to relocate the Pioneer Arch to the gap in the fence.
 - c. Plant some ornamental trees along a fenceline.

A detailed plan proposal will be put together for these works for the next meeting in January.

2. An A4 or A5 plaque is proposed to be placed in the rose garden near the front entrance with the following on it:

“This Rose Garden was established by Clint Jolliffe in conjunction with the Balranald Shire Council Beautification Committee on the 19th November 2017. Rosebushes kindly donated by the Balranald Community.

Please pick a rose for Loved Ones.”

There being no further general business the meeting closed at 8:20pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 7 February 2017.