Onslow Residents Community Association

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 30 June 2020

at 7.30 pm in Khandallah Town Hall

- 1. Attendance: 43
- 2. **Welcome:** Nicola McFaull, President, welcomed attendees on such a cold, miserable night, including Members of Parliament, Greg O'Connor (MP, Ohariu) and Brett Hudson (List MP), Mayor Andy Foster, and Wellington City Councillors, Diane Calvert and Simon Woolf
- 3. **Acknowledgement:** Nicola recognised the hard work of current committee members and those who had resigned during the year. These were: Ray Chung (Vice President), Lance Pratley (Secretary), Lachman Prasad (Treasurer) and committee members Lawrence Collingbourne, Martin Jenkins, Shirley Morrison, Annie Van Herck, Richard Campbell, Ron Gall, Wilma Sherwin, Tania Thomas and Ron Zoest
- 4. **Apologies:** Received from Fiona Calderwood, Bernadette Chambers, John Dawson, Ita Delahunty, Philippa Fletcher, Lance Pratley, Wilma Sherwin, Carol Stigley, Annie Van Herck and Carole Wright
- 5. Guest Speaker: Mayor Andy Foster, explained how the WCC were planning to deal with the drop in income to the Council that the Covid-19 shutdown had caused. They were reluctant to increase the rate level to 9% as many families were suffering from a drop in income due to job losses. The preferred choice in the 2020/21 year was to borrow to cover Council costs. Mayor Foster said he is in consultation with leaders in the public and private sector about getting people back into the CBD, which will be good for retail, cafes and restaurants. He stated that Council is working hard on an events programme to revitalise the city. Andy set out the Council plans to review resource consent decision making to avoid breaches of planning rules and to establish an Urban Development Agency to bring land parcels together, plan redevelopment, and partner with the private sector to build more accommodation. He stressed the need to ensure Council social housing has long term viability.

- 6. The Mayor was questioned about two issues:
 - Did the WCC intend to close the Khandallah Library? The Mayor reassured those present that there was no intention to close the library.
 - What is the WCC decision on the future of the Wellington Public Library (demolition and rebuild or strengthening present building)? The Mayor said the Council had selected four options and that these would be released for public feedback in July.

Nicola McFaull thanked Mayor Foster for his presentation.

6 Minutes of the AGM of 26 March 2019 were confirmed as a correct record.

(Diane Calvert, Richard Campbell)

- **7 President's Annual Report:** As this was Nicola's last meeting as President, she gave a brief history of the origins of ORCA and its progress over the past 3 years as well as her enjoyment and feeling of satisfaction on its achievements. She reiterated ORCA's goals of helping to make our area safer, developing resilience in our community, becoming environmentally sustainable and being a connected community. Nicola detailed the events in 2019 which helped to achieve these goals and which were well received by the community:
 - a. An Emergency Preparedness Course which included talks by members of Wellington Region Management Office, Wellington Water, the Red Cross, Urban Search and Rescue, Emergency Radio, SURV-IT and an owner of a composting toilet, with a view to informing and guiding people on how to prepare for emergency situations.
 - b. An Environmental Sustainability Symposium which included a range of speakers and display stands aimed at reducing waste and living sustainably, reducing our reliance on petrol cars, utilising alternative energy sources, community gardening and eliminating predators that compete with our native flora and fauna
 - c. A Dog Owners' course
 - d. Organising and running the Khandallah Park Picnic with a Pirates theme to coincide with the Khandallah Arts presentation of Mean Jean the Pirate Queen
 - e. Producing guidelines for people to help one another to survive the Covid-19 Lockdown
 - f. Preparing feedback and submissions to Wellington City Council on issues such as the Annual Plan .

8 Treasurer's Presentation of 2019 Financial Statements

Lachman Prasad presented the financial statements and explained why ORCA used a cash based system of accounting. The statements were accepted. (moved by Richard Campbell and seconded by John Klimento)

9 Constitutional Changes

Motion One: It is proposed that the Constitution of ORCA is amended so that 'Day' now becomes 'Working Day" and the following clauses are amended:

That clause 3.1, Definitions" is amended thus:

- a. That an additional definition of "working day" is added to be inserted and become sub-clause "e'. in place of the existing sub-clause e.
- b. Existing sub-clauses "e." and "f" are renamed "f." and "g." respectively.
- c. That the definition of "working day" be: working day means any day of the week other than—
 - (a) Saturday, Sunday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Anzac Day, Labour Day, the Sovereign's birthday, Wellington Anniversary Day, and Waitangi Day; and
 - (b) a day in the period commencing with 25 December in any year and ending with 15 January in the following year; and
 - (c) if Waitangi Day or Anzac Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the following Monday.
 - (d) While any restriction on meeting is in force as directed under an Act of Parliament, for example, a state of local or national

(Lawrence Collingbourne/Barbara McKenzie) Approved

Motion two:

If the membership agrees with the change in the definition as set out in Clause 3.1 then they agree following amendments also:

- a. Clause 8.1 Nominations shall be called for at least "10 days" before an Annual Meeting. It is proposed that this become "8 working days".
- b. Clause 8.1 Nominations close at 5pm on the third day before the Annual Meeting. It is proposed that this become "5pm two working days prior to the Annual Meeting".
- c. Clause 15.2 (a) (iii) presently a time interval of 14 days applies. It is proposed that this is changed to "10 working days".
- d. Clause 15.2 b. The time intervals prescribed are 14 days and it is proposed that they each be changed to "10 working days".

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- e. Clause 15.2 c. A time interval of 28 days is prescribed in the first sentence and it is it is proposed that this be changed to "20 working days". In the second sentence a time interval of 7 days is prescribed. It is proposed that this be changed to "5 working days".
- f. Clause 22.4 prescribes a time interval of 14 days and it is proposed that this be changed to "10 working days".
- g. Clause 23.1 prescribes a time interval of 10 days. It is proposed that this be changed to "8 working days".
- h. In clause 23.1 b. prescribes a time interval of five days and it is proposed that be changed to four working days.
- i. Clause 25.2 prescribes a time interval of 10 days and it is proposed this be changed to 8 working days.
- j. Clause 25.3 prescribes a time interval of 10 days. It is proposed that this be changed to "7 working days".
- k. Clause 25.4 prescribes a time interval of 7 days. It is proposed that this be changed to "5 working days".

(Lawrence Collingbourne/Shirley Morrison) Approved

Motion 3a:

That the format of the Society Meetings is expanded to allow our meetings to be held in physical, virtual and hybrid formats to improve the accessibility of our meetings for all members and to reflect the ability of new technology to enable this to be so.

Motion 3b.

That the Committee is charged with developing the processes and procedures, including how voting can be done under, these new formats.

That clause 22.1 be amended replacing it as follows:

- 22.1 Any Society Meeting may be held in any of the following means at the discretion of the Committee:
 - a. By a "physical" meeting, i.e. at a venue approved by the Committee with members attending in-person; or
 - b. By a "virtual" meeting, i.e. in which members attend by audio, audio and visual, and/or electronic means; or
 - C. By way of "hybrid" meeting, i.e. in which the meeting is held by use of a "physical" meeting with members also having the choice to attend a "virtual" meeting

(Richard Campbell/John Klimenko) Approved

Motion 4a

That the resident membership category for ORCA is deleted leaving a two tiered structure:

- Ordinary member
- Honorary life member.

The following changes are proposed:

a. That clause 12.1 be amended to replace "three types" with "two types" and that membership type "Resident Membership" be deleted. Clause 12.2 is replaced by the following wording:

Any resident who lives within the boundaries of the Society (see clause 4) and has attained the age of 16 years shall be entitled to be an Ordinary Member of the Society. For the purposes of membership, "resident" includes people living in dwellings in the boundary area and also includes community organisations and businesses (whether incorporated or not) operating in the boundary area. Such community organisations and businesses must nominate in writing to the Secretary one person to represent them at Society Meetings. The person so nominated shall have one vote and does not need to personally reside within the boundaries of the Society.

b. That clause 12.3 be deleted and the following inserted in place:

Each Ordinary Member whose subscription to the Society is current and each Honorary Life Member shall have the right to one (1) vote at any Society Meeting on issues placed before it and voted on at such meetings.

- c. That clause 12.6 have an additional sentence as follows added: For avoidance of doubt, an Honorary Life Member shall be exempt from the residential requirement and from paying a subscription.
- d. That clause 13.1 (d) be amended to add the following sentence:
 The Committee may recommend to the Annual Meeting a fee structure for different groups of Ordinary Members.

The Committee has realised that we can still welcome and be inclusive of all residents but they are in fact not members until they fill in an application form and pay their subscription fee.

We suggest that the following clause below is inserted in section 4.0. This keeps to the spirit of the resident's membership but also enables the refinement of actual membership rights.

Article 4.2

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All residents and groups operating in this boundary are welcome at any Association meeting or event and are encouraged to participate in the life of the Association to help Khandallah, Broadmeadows and Kaiwharawhara become a better place for all who live and work there.

(Lynn Cadenhead/Martin Jenkins) Approved

Motion 5.0

That the membership approves the recommended membership subscription fee structure for 2020 as follows:

For 2020, the Committee would like to recommend the following fee structure for 2020.

Ordinary Membership \$10 per year

Household Membership \$10 per year for the first ordinary member then \$5 per year for each subsequent member who lives at the same

address. (Note each member of a household has one vote)

Organisational Membership \$20 per year Student Membership \$5 per year

(Martin Jenkins/Shirley Morrison) Approved

10 Nomination of Officers and Committee

The secretary read out the following nominations for the 2020 Executive and Committee:

President: Lawrence Collingbourne (Proposer: Nicola McFaull/Seconder: Martin Jenkins)

Vice President Ray Chung (Proposer: Richard Campbell/Seconder: Lachman Prasad)

Secretary Lance Pratley (Proposer: Nicola McFaull/Seconder: Martin Jenkins)

Treasurer Lachman Prasad (Proposer: Ray Chung/Richard Campbell)

Committee Martin Jenkins (Proposer: Nicola McFaull/Seconder: Lance Pratley)

Shirley Morrison (Proposer: Nicola McFaull/Seconder: Martin Jenkins)
Barbara McKenzie (Proposer: Ray Chung/Seconder: Richard Campbell)

Ross Murdoch (Proposer: Ray Chung/Seconder: Richard Campbell)

The Membership voted all nominations on by acclamation.

11 General Business

Both Diane Calvert and Greg O'Connor expressed sincere thanks to Nicola McFaull for her leadership and hard work for the Onslow community. The ORCA committee presented her with a gift showing their appreciation.

The meeting came to an end at 9.00 pm and supper was served.