

HERBERT RIVER IMPROVEMENT TRUST

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

***Thursday 6th December 2018
at 9.00 am***



- A. ATTENDANCE** – Present were Mr RA Bosworth (Chairperson), Mrs LF Carr (Secretary), Cr AJ Lancini (Member), Cr WG Skinner (Member), Mr GB Accornero (Member), Mr KT Phillips (Member) and Mr T Smith (Trust Engineer.)
- B. APOLOGY** –
- C. MINUTES** - Confirmation of minutes of the General Meeting held on 1st November 2018.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be approved.
(Mr GB Accornero and Cr AJ Lancini - carried)

- D. WORKS REPORT** – The Trust Engineer, Mr Tim Smith, provided an update of works for the month of November, and that Mr Vitale has advised him that he is happy with the Trust's written response to his letter.

RESOLVED – That the Trust Secretary communicate in writing to Mr Sheedy to advise him that the Trust has cleared the fallen timber in Frances Creek, and that the higher sand bars in the bed have been removed, as discussed when the Trust inspected the site with Mr Sheedy and other steering committee representatives. That the Trust Secretary communicate in writing to Mr Gary Guazzo attaching an invoice for \$3 000 as his landowner contribution towards repairs in Palm Creek (adjacent to his property). As soon as the Secretary has received the payment, the job will commence (weather permitting). That the Trust Engineer has advised Mr and Mrs Genrich that concrete sleepers are not to be placed along the top of rock work.
(Cr WG Skinner and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

The meeting was adjourned at 10.29 am for morning tea and resumed at 10.58 am when the Mayor and CEO (Mr Alan Rayment) were present to discuss the way forward with obtaining funding for raising the Halifax Levee. HSC has undertaken the task to search their records for supporting documentation.

E. CORRESPONDENCE –

1. EMAIL FROM Cr WALLIS SKINNER RE GENRICH QUERY

Consideration of email received 2 December 2018 regarding:

- The Genrich's raising the possibility of depositing concrete sleepers along the top of the rock work, and
- That the Genrich's "dismissed" the idea of them contributing to the cost of the works there and "that was never mentioned before the works commenced".

RESOLVED – That the Trust Secretary communicate in writing to the Genrich's to advise that under no circumstances are they to place any built infrastructures and/or concrete sleepers anywhere on the bank outside the levee as it could compromise the integrity of the levee and the stability of the bank (under flood conditions), and that sleepers are not required to protect the levee.

(Mr GB Accornero and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

2. LAND OWNER CONTRIBUTIONS TO HRIT WORKS

RESOLVED – The contributions need to be re-visited by the Trust to include all land owners and a policy is to be drafted to reflect this.

(Mr KT Phillips and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

F. BUSINESS –

1. TRUST NETWORKING FUNCTION

RESOLVED – That the Trust intends to meet on Friday, the 11th of January 2019, with the Trust Secretary to check Cr AJ Lancini's availability for the function.

(Cr WG Skinner and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

2. Cr WALLIS SKINNER – MEETING FEES FOR HRIT INTERVIEWS

RESOLVED – That Cr Skinner be paid for his attendance on the interview panels (Burdekin and Herbert River) two full days.

(Mr KT Phillips and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

3. SPRAYING ON HALIFAX AND CASTORINA ISLANDS

RESOLVED – That Keith Phillips organise the spraying of the islands.

(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

4. RIPPLE CREEK CLEANING

RESOLVED – That the cleaning of Ripple Creek be included as funds permit on the Trust's future works program.

(Cr WG Skinner and Mr KT Phillips – carried)

5. LARGE TREE AT Mr LEN CRISTALDI'S

RESOLVED – That Keith Phillips and Gary Accornero inspect the site.

(Mr KT Phillips and Mr GB Accornero – carried)

G. FINANCIAL BUSINESS –

1. Seeking approval for payment of the following accounts as at 6th December 2018:

J T Smith & Assoc. Pty Ltd	\$ 6 741.85
Marb Construction (IQC Quarries)	11 726.85
Mr RA Bosworth	239.40
Cr AJ Lancini	150.00
Mr GB Accornero	158.88
Cr WG Skinner	750.00
Mr KT Phillips	172.20
Nazzari Backhoe Hire	3 962.64
Gough Plastics	20 423.83
Ken's Earthworks	275.00
Jufu Chinese	121.50 Paid 1/11/18
BR Gofton	2 904.00
Luke Rosadi	100.00
BN & C Way	3 300.00
PJ & LG Lino	841.50
State Council of River Trusts (Membership Fee)	1 540.00
Terrain	5 500.00 (held over)

RESOLVED – That the accounts be passed for payment and that the Trust gives the Secretary permission to pay any invoices on receipt.

(Mr GB Accornero and Cr WG Skinner – carried)

H. CONCLUSION – The meeting concluded at 12.50 pm with the next meeting scheduled for 7 February 2019 at Council Chambers.

Mr RA Bosworth
Trust Chair