

Minutes of the telephonic meeting of
Noetzie Conservancy Owners Association

held at
17h30 on
Thursday 2 September 2010.

Present

Nick Taylor - Chairman **NT**
Cathy Shimmin - Treasurer **CS**
Julie Gosling **JG**
Santi Den Boestert - Conservancy **SdB**
Penny Suckling **PS**
Carl Metelerkamp **CM**
Wendy Dewberry - Secretary **WD**
Eion Brown – unable to contact via skype

1. WELCOME

NT Chairman welcomed the members to the 7th telephonic meeting of the 2010 Committee.

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of Previous meeting

NT the minutes were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1. Building and Development

3.1.1. HEADLAND Development

JG spoke to Pieter Badenhorst about the implications of an application under NEMA. He stated that all I&AP will be informed. So far, there has been no movement from Pezula regarding the Headland development

3.1.2. House Visser Erf 72

We await further developments.

3.1.3. Don Lindsay Access Road

Pezula Home Owners will not appeal against the road if Don undertakes to install a gate and fence which will keep the integrity of the estate security intact. Don has agreed to this and intends starting next month, with a team of hand builders. This will cut out the need for much heavy machinery during construction.

3.1.4. Erf 84

No further comment.

3.1.5. Erf 80 House Robinson/Thompson

Architects have responded to EB's comments. CM stated that we must adhere to the Noetzie Town Planning scheme and cannot allow a double story on the headland. WD believes that a 15 % footprint on the fynbos is

environmentally prudent in contrast with 35 % footprint. PS and JG agreed, and urged that an exception to the double storey rule be considered, as long as the building remained below the 8m height restriction. It was pointed out that the dwelling would not be visible from the beach or the river. NT requested that CS obtain clarity on precedent regarding exceptions. CM excused himself from meeting.

CS to Action

3.2. Conservancy

3.2.1. Tree identification and naming

In process.

3.2.2. River parking area

JG voted to drop from minutes. NT seconded.

3.2.3. Alien clearing

No further discussion

3.2.4. Water testing

No further comment

3.2.5. Monkey problem

No further comment

3.2.5. Water Course Management at River Houses

CS to co-ordinate with SdB regarding the way forward on the immediate issues, and Environment Management Plan (EMP) outline to guide Noetzie homeowners on correct procedures for the future.

CS, SB to Action

3.2.6. Beach Driving Permit

NT to send letter for renewal of driving permits

NT to Action

3.3. Finance and Managerial

3.3.1. Payment of Accounts

CS requests permission to pay for Noetzie website (Hetzner R80) and Dr Allanson of the Knysna Basin project for water samples (R560). Bank balance stands at about R7000. It was agreed that Chesterfeild will be billed for their erven in the Noetzie Township – including erf 32,34,35 and 84

CS to Action

3.3.2. Signing of Audit

Nothing to discuss

3.3.3. Record Keeping

NT to forward back-formatted minutes to Carl for posting on NCOA website before next meeting.

NT to Action

3.4. Municipal

3.4.1. Illegal Trading at Montrose

Suggested meeting with MMB of KM. Propose Monday 27 Sept. NT to write letter to MMB reminding him of Carl's letter. SB suggest we enquire about the status quo and take it from there.

NT, JG, SB to Action

3.4.2. Boom

Nothing discussed

3.4.3. Weddings on the Beach

No discussions

3.4.4 School Site

NO response from J. Douglas of KM to letter sent by NT. NT to follow up.

NT to Action

3.4.5. Application for Powers form Knysna Municipality

No new actions

3.4.6. Erven 32, 34, and 35.

No further action

3.4.7. Rates

Steve Getliffe wants NCOA to apply for a rates rebate. It was decided to "let sleeping dogs lie", or "the dogs that are awake must bark"

3.4.8. Heritage status of old Pezula Castle

Don Lindsay enquired about the dilapidated state of the old Pezula castle and the heritage implications. JG said that Andre Verceuil from Heritage Knysna has looked at the old Pezula castle and will reply soon. 7 October 2010. JG to report back as soon as he does.

3.5. Newsletter

JG suggested another newsletter end October

4. GENERAL

4.1. History of Knoetzie

No further comment

5. Matters Arising not on the Agenda

5.1. Carpark Signage

PS says signage is getting too much, referring to the big ugly municipal sign recently erected by KM. WD reported that the last one on the beach was removed by us, after discussion with a member of SANParks who reported that perlemoen poachers have been known to erect signs marking safe

landing areas along the coast. Indeed, during that period WD saw dolly tracks in the sand on the beach from boat moorings or landing. Oyster Catcher sign requires attention.


JG to Action

5.2. Pezula Canoe Trips

We await report back from EB who cannot be connected via skype

Date of next meeting : Thursday 7 October 2010, 5.30 pm

Approved as a true reflection of the meeting:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. C. Taylor', written in a cursive style.

N. C. Taylor
Chairman