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## **Minutes for the meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> of July 2017 at Blackhill Hall 10am**

Time started: 10:25am

**1. Welcome** - The Chairman welcomes those present, calls for apologies and general business items.

1.1. **Present:** Chris Tugwell (acting Chairman) Steve Wilkinson (acting Vice Chairman), Rosemary Laucke, Ian Mann, Helen Crisp, Ian Mann

1.2. **Staff present:** Aimee Linke

1.3. **Apologies:** Tricia Curtis, Brian Taylor, Elisabeth Wood, Sharon Sakko, Cr Adrian Sakko

1.4. **Absent:** Terry Franklin

**2. Confirmation of minutes -.**

The minutes of the last meeting dated 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017 accepted as being a true reflection of the meeting.

**Ian Mann**                    **Moved that the Committee accept the minutes.**

**Steve Wilkinson**       **Seconded the motion. Carried**

**3. Business Arising from minutes**

**Ian Mann**                    **Moved that a letter of thanks goes to the Tennis Club for successfully catering the Dark Sky event at Meldanda**

**Rose Laucke**               **Seconded the motion. Carried**

**4. Reports**

4.1. Staff Activity Report (attached).

4.2. **Financial Reports May and June 2017**

**Steve Wilkinson**      **Moved that the Committee accept the reports**

**Helen Crisp**            **Secoded the motion. Carried**

**5. Correspondence (list attached, folder for viewing tabled.)**

**Ian Mann**                **Moved the Committee accepts the correspondence.**

**Steve Wilkinson**      **Secoded the motion. Carried**

**6. General Business:**

- a) A card to be sent to David Peake about our appreciation of Dawns support to our group in the past and sorry for his loss, Chris Tugwell will organise and send
- b) Dark Sky – measuring going well, subcommittee have been busy and lights have been photographed around the region. Light pollution need to be included in the application. Mike Reedy – a light manufacturer is supportive of the project and may sponsor. Chris will meet with Joel Taggart to discuss council support and the lighting plan. David Hartley will assist with support letters from Tourism Association. Also meeting with Deb Alexander
- c) AGM was decided to hold it on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November at Swan Reach Town Hall, Aimee will try to book Matt Barwick as the guest speaker on the Carp Herpes Virus project

**7. Members Reports**

**Helen Crisp** – Mammal Conference Perth update, finished interviewing for new inter, weeds germinating at Yookamurra after rains particularly wards weed and horehound. Put out canid pest injectors, been out for 4 weeks with no uptake

**Ian Mann** – MDA meetings attended region 5&6. Plans underway for conference in October that will be held in Renmark. Flows into each catchment only about 20%, water markets are around 120

**Steve Wilkinson** – Lakes and Coorong Action Group, Grant Rigney welcome to country very knowledgeable. Low flows project in hills to improve flows in creeks and rivers, grants available now for voluntary instalment of bypass. Upstream interstate water use

**Rose Laucke** – Bad corellas, still feeding Butcher birds from front verandah. Found a wombat on front lawn and it was Sally Arnolds. Steve said to keep Rocky Warren informed about large numbers of corellas

**Chris Tugwell** – may have a mange wombat on their property. Helen said there is a new app for reporting wombats with mange and that wombats can lose their fur if they are eating lots of potato weed because of high toxin levels in the plant

**8. Any Other Business**

**Helen Crisp**- asked about recycling in the area, how can they do it better. Steve said it can be done in Mannum at an extra cost. It was suggested that a letter be written to the council about what can and can't be recycled and where. Helen will send Chris an email and he will write the letter on behalf of Mid Murray Landcare SA

**Date of next meeting: 10<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

**Venue:** Cambrai Council Chambers, followed by governance training for the committee members who would like to attend

- **Meeting Closed:** 11:50 followed by National Tree Day Planting at Blackhill Cemetery