



**MINUTES OF MEETING
TERRIGAL WAMBERAL RSL SUB-BRANCH
HELD AT THE BREAKERS COUNTRY CLUB
SATURDAY 11 JULY 2020**

1. OPEN MEETING:

- 1.1. The meeting was opened by the President at 10:40am. He called for silence to be observed in memory of departed comrades, especially Muriel Flaherty who passed away on 1 April 2020. He then recited the Ode of Remembrance.

2. ATTENDANCE:

- 2.1. There were 20 members present with 6 apologies.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- 3.1. The Secretary emailed copies of the minutes of meeting of 14 March 2020 and made hard copies available to members before today's meeting. There were no questions or issues raised.

Motion 15/20: The Minutes as presented be accepted.

Moved: Michael Tabone **Seconded:** George Craven

Motion Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- 4.1. There were no matters arising from last month's meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1. Register of Correspondence was made available to members present and emailed out. There being no questions, the Secretary asked that the Register of Correspondence be accepted.

Motion 16/20: The Register of Correspondence as presented be accepted.

Moved: Michael Tabone **Seconded:** Peter White

Motion Carried

6. TREASURER REPORT

- 6.1. The Treasurer presented his report for the month ending June 2020. Report attached. There were no questions on the report. He also advised that the Budget for 2020 was revised considering the cancellation of ANZAC Day and other COVID-19 restrictions on funding and meetings. A copy was previously emailed out to all members.

Motion 17/20: The Treasurer's Report as presented be accepted, accounts in the Report be passed for payment.

Moved: Doug Lindsay **Seconded:** Joe Griffin

Motion Carried

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- 7.1. **New Members.** The President welcomed two new members, Alan Richardson and Peter Colman.

- 7.2. **RSL NSW Strategic Plan 2020-2025.** The RSL Board wishes to implement a plan, with an associated funding model, as soon as possible, but no later than October. The cost to finance the plan over 5 years is considerable (\$20m +). DPC is developing a 'pooled' funding model. Details on the Plan can be viewed on RSL NSW website.
- 7.3. **RSL NSW Budget and Business Performance.** The CFO has forecast a surplus for FY 19/20. This has been made possible through significant cost cutting, including re-structuring and generous support from several sub-Branches which recognised the impacts of the pandemic on Hyde Park Inn revenue.
- 7.4. **Reveille Magazine.** A decision was made to enable management to terminate the current contract, produce an interim (low cost) internal Reveille, and concurrently commence a process for a new Reveille to commence in 2021. The process to establish a 'new' Reveille must include member consultation.
- 7.5. **Sale of 262 Castlereagh Street (old ANZAC House).** A sales agent and probity auditor have been appointed to manage the sale. The agent is confident of a positive sale despite the COVID-19 situation which, according to data presented has not impacted on the current high demand for CBD property.

Motion 18/20: The President Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: Terry Saxby

Seconded: Tony Blissett

Motion Carried

8. OTHER REPORTS:

8.1. **Welfare.** John Wilton advised the following:

- a. Paul Higgenbottom: Paul is a client of Castle Hill Sub Branch and living in Umina. His continued support will depend on his preparation of some forms and if Castle Hill require further assistance.
- b. Beula Miller. Beula is in the care of her husband, Bernie, who may need further assistance.
- c. Ron Nealer. John has maintained a relationship with Ron, just in case he needs further assistance.
- d. John Wilton is undertaking formal Advocacy training and needs support from members who can provided actual welfare cases or play role. Please contact John if you can assist.

Motion 19/20: The Welfare Officer's Report as presented be accepted,

Moved: John Wilton

Seconded: Peter White

Motion Carried

8.2. **Central Coast District Council (CCDC).** Peter White reported that the CCDC has a new role to perform but doesn't have the resources to carry it out. The recent resignation of their Secretary further denudes their resources. The issue will need to be addressed soon.

Motion 20/20: The CCDC Report as presented be accepted,

Moved: Peter White

Seconded: Roger Wrightson

Motion Carried

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1. **Membership Renewals.** Capitation fee payments have been payed to RSL NSW. Cards are currently be printed.

9.2. **Events Calendar.**

- a. **Hunter Valley Bus Trip.** The Secretary advised that the trip had been

deferred to September 2020 as we are still awaiting the results of our DVA grant application. Further details will be provided once the outcome of the grant application is known.

- b. **Sponsorship.** The Sub Branch is still looking for sponsors for ANZAC Day Dawn Service. Luke Hill is canvassing two prospects to determine if they interested and what they would be seeking from the Sub Branch in return. Other sponsors will be needed to help the running of this event. Members assistance would be greatly appreciated.
- c. **Wamberal Hall.** The Secretary briefed the meeting on the project which was being managed by John Wilton. While the ownership and control of the Hall isn't a Sub Branch responsibility, its restoration is of interest. The Secretary has submitted a grant application to the Community War Memorials Fund for \$6,500 to cover the cost of restoring the Headstones and erecting a Story Board. This will complete the restoration completed by the Central Coast Council.

Next Meeting: The next Monthly Meeting will be held on 18 August 2020.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.15am.

Michael Tabone
Secretary

Terry Saxby
President

Attachment: Treasurer's Report for June 2020