

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHBROOM RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

HELD AT SOUTHBROOM GOLF CLUB ON
MONDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2022 AT 10H00

1. WELCOME : Eric Annegarn took the chair and opened the meeting with:

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair, we had everything before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to Heaven, we were all going direct the other way. (Dickens)

2. ATTENDANCE: As per Register. EA specifically welcomed the chairs of the other Southbroom organizations who work tirelessly to contribute to our beautiful village:

Chris Ledden of the Golf Club.
Anne Skelton of the Conservancy.
Cleve Walker of the Bowls Club – apologies.
Deanne Purtell of the Tennis Club.
Bennie Kruger of the CPF.
Elaine Harrison of the Library.
Walter Robinson of the SWAT.

As well as all committee members in attendance

EA explained that we have moved the AGMs earlier. The RNM and SPOA year end is 30th June therefore the SRA year end is now in line with the SPOA and the Municipality. It was felt that locals and visitors are not predisposed to attending a meeting in the middle of their December holidays. We had a great attendance at the AGM in January this year and the attendance today attests to the fact that residents are happier with this time.

This may exclude some visitors, but not many non-resident home owners have attended in the past. Depending upon any feedback we receive, we may have a combined SRA, SPOA, CPF town-hall meeting in December where we can focus on issues only rather than boring visitors with procedural matters, important as they are.

THREE separate meetings are scheduled this morning:

- SOUTHBROOM RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION
- SOUTHBROOM PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION.
- SOUTHBROOM COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM AGM.

1. NOTICE

The notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Southbroom Ratepayers Association had been circulated. It was sent out on 17 September 2022, posters were placed throughout Southbroom and it was widely distributed on social media. On Saturday an email shot was sent to everyone including access to the AGM pack that you have in front of you. Apologies to Paul Fleischack who says we must not use so much paper! I agree with you Paul, but I'm stuck with making sense of everything we have to get through today.

The notice was duly taken as read.

2. QUORUM

A quorum of more than 25 people were present, the meeting was duly constituted and open.

3. APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from the following:

Brian Dick, Cleve Walker, Julie Walker, Bob O'Callaghan, John & Anne Kinghorn, Hilary Henderson, Felicity Cotton, Paul and Laura Fleischack, Navin Singh, Johan & Jolanda Landsberg, Bill & Francis Burke, Rett & Denis Butler, Charlie Watt, James and Annie Pickering, Derrick Matthew, John Fox, Raefe Dyer, Tony Davis, Petra Klein.

4. MINUTES OF AGM Held on 29 January 2022

Copies of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 29 January 2022 had been circulated. The chairman's report and Annual Financial Statements were also included in the pack. Approved, proposed Duncan Biggar, second Dietmar Klein.

5. MATTERS ARISING

All matters arising from the minutes will be dealt with in the Chairman's report.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: EA delivered a comprehensive chairman's report covering the challenges faced during the year and how they are being managed : Full report attached to these minutes .

7. TREASURER'S REPORT: EA thanked Richard Derman for his management of the SRA finances as well as the thankless task of dealing with Ugu water issues.

7.1 The financial statements and treasurers' report were distributed as part of the AGM pack during the week and available in your pack today.

7.2 Richard Derman gave a brief explanation of the financial statements.

7.3 Subscriptions are due again in January 2023 and your committee will be examining an appropriate increase later this year. There were no questions; the report and proposed increase were approved. Proposed Allan Woods, second Duncan Biggar

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS :

8.1 EA said that Brad Verwey resigned during the year and thanked him for his contribution to the committee and to Southbroom.

8.2 All committee members offer themselves for re-election:

Richard Derman, Jackie Pratt, Duncan Biggar, Darren van Aswegen, Brian Dick, Richard Bridgeford, Allan Woods, Laurence Mandy, Dietmar Klein, Deanne Purtell, Geoff Evans and Eric Annegarn.

Alf Hayter attended SRA committee meetings on behalf of the Southbroom conservancy. EA thanked Alf for his contribution, he has been replaced by Paul Fleischack and we look forward to even better communication between the SC and the SRA.

Paul Longmoor has volunteered to join the SRA committee and EA proposed he also be elected to join the committee.

EA thanked Alan Bosch our ward councillor who also attends the meetings.

The incumbent members of the SRA committee plus Paul Longmoor were appointed unanimously – proposed Bob Clarke, second Walter Robinson.

9. EA said his committee are committed and passionate and it is a pleasure to work with them. EA specifically thanked Chris Ledden and Gavin Sole for use of the Golf club, Raefe from Nashua for the printing, Richard Bridgford, Richard Derman and Darryn van Aswegan for going the extra mile. EA also pointed out that Southbroom had been crime free for four months and the pothole project has gone quite well, we are getting a reasonable response from RNM

EA thanked all the committee for agreeing to continue.

10. MANDATES

10.1 The committee is mandated to uphold the town planning regulations of Southbroom, EA asked for approval to continue with this mandate. Approved : proposed Joy Crutchfield, second Walter Robinson

10.2 EA said he is once again requesting a mandate to resist commercialization of the beaches, but would like to rephrase that to “resistance of inappropriate commercialization of our beaches”. EA believed a more nuanced policy is required and proposed to develop one in committee going forward. In the meantime EA requested a mandate to resist inappropriate commercialization, pending development of a proper policy. Approved: proposed Dietmar Klein, seconder Joy Crutchfield.

11. GENERAL : There were no questions.

The AGM of the SRA closed at 10.40.