

SOUTHBROOM RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS HELD ON FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 10h00 AT THE SOUTHBROOM GOLF CLUB

1. Eric Annegarn (as chair for the meeting; Paul Longmoor is the chairman of the SRA) welcomed everyone.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 2ND SEPTEMBER 2024**
 - 2.1. Minutes had been duly published and circulated including the chairman's report for 2024. Minutes were taken as read.
Proposed Deanne Massyn, 2nd Allan Woods.
 - 2.2. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Noted that SRA no longer issue a separate financial report as all income and expenses flow through SPOA. The SRA will continue to function as before, with the SPOA providing head office and financial functionality. All village issues apart from CPF and Conservancy will remain part of the SRA.
3. **ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2026**
 - 3.1. The following committee members are available for re-election
 - Paul Longmoor, Brian Dick, Eric Annegarn, Jackie Pratt, Dietmar Klein, Darryn van Aswegan, Allan Woods, Deanne Massyn, Martie Bothma, Stefan Hartman, Laurence Mandy, Jurie Snyman, Bruce Burt, Mark Schormann.
 - Peter Hind, John Lowe, Andrew Kinghorn and Rob de Pretto have joined during the year.
 - Hilary Henderson provides liaison with Southbroom Conservancy, taking over from Paul Fleischack.
 - Allan Hall has resigned effective 5th September but will continue to be available as a consultant for a few months.
 - The committee members were re-elected unanimously.
4. **MANDATES:**
 - 4.1. Eric called for a mandate to continue to uphold the town planning scheme and associated regulations.
Proposed Walter Robinson, 2nd Lindsay Meyer.
 - 4.2. Eric called for a mandate to oppose commercialisation of the beaches. Proposed Mark Schormann, 2nd Jurie Snyman.
5. Paul Longmoor took over as chair and thanked Eric for UMILA and all the work he has done to protect the area from unethical mining.
6. **WATER REPORT by Alan Hall read by Paul Longmoor - attached**

- 6.1. Paul reminded everyone that water is not something we can control but we try to understand. We like to focus on what we can influence and can control. The SeaSlopes system is aged, flawed and the political will and funds are not available so the SeaSlopes supply is now off the table.
- 6.2. Allan Bosch explained the problems with the supply from Eastern Cape; there is now a temporary supply until December when it is hoped the E Cape issues will be resolved.
- 6.3. Communication is difficult, the information we receive is not always accurate and reliable, we are trying to improve communication but it continues to be a problem.
- 6.4. In answer to a question from Andrew Kinghorn regarding UGU funding of infrastructure, there are plans to go forward but we rely on UGU.
- 6.5. Paul thanked Alan for his report.

7. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Full report attached

- 7.1. Paul thanked his committee especially Brian Dick, Allan Woods, John Lowe The Village Manager, Deanne Massyn and Jackie Pratt and the whole committee who make a huge contribution. It is a never-ending job. *Applause*

8. **QUESTIONS:** (Eric took over as chair)

- 8.1. Adrian (?) said he had purchased a house with an existing water tank close to high boundary walls and has now been told the tank and the walls do not comply with Town Planning. Eric replied that water tanks must be installed inside the building line, cannot be on the boundary and boundary walls must be no higher than 1,8m. We have to abide by the Town Planning scheme. We need to look out for notices in the local press and object if necessary.
- 8.2. Michael Chambers said he has been going through the process of having plans approved which he submitted in July. Eric replied this is an RNM and deeds office issue and suggested he discuss it privately with Eric or Allan. Allan Bosch asked Michael Chambers to contact him as he would like to follow up.
- 8.3. **Allan Bosch replied to various queries around the Eskom power line through the Eastern Cape.** He explained to the meeting that in 2019 UGU paid Eskom to put the line through to EC but local communities put a stop to it. So far 17km has been installed but then stopped by the EC municipality. There are lots of politics involved to endeavour to solve this problem and sabotage can also be an issue.
- 8.4. Paul said any unwanted driveway pavers, paving stones, building material or rubble is required to fix various problems around the village. Please contact Paul if you have any available, before disposing of it.
- 8.5. Sharlene van der Slikke asked about a pile of old tar in Link Road. John Lowe said he knows about this and will handle it.
- 8.6. Tanya Wichmann, a local farmer and member of the recently formed UMILA committee thanked the Southbroom ratepayers for putting up the money to help fight mining prospecting. An objection has been submitted to the Dept of Minerals for the area immediately behind us and for Harding (which affects the Umtamvuna river). Please assist by checking the local press for notices of further prospecting.
- 8.7. Peter Lofstedt (from Munster) asked how do ratepayers participate in UMILA? Eric said speak to Tanya Wichmann or Sikhulele Mathe.

Eric thanked everyone for their time and attendance and closed the meeting at 12.04