

BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL EUSTON BEAUTIFICATION & TOURISM COMMITTEE MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE EUSTON COURTHOUSE ON TUESDAY, 6TH MARCH, 2018, AT 9.00 A.M.

Present: Ken Barnes (Chairman), Ian Sutton, Andre Pretorius (DID), Ian Bolt, Edna Price, Barry Watts, Bev Harbinson.

Apologies: Vicki Barnes.

Business Arising from Minutes of 6th February, 2018):

1. Avenue of Trees:

50 trees have been ordered from Dubbo; waiting on delivery. 27 will replace dead trees here and at Lake Benanee. Type ordered – Red Flowering Gum, similar to the ones already here. Can trees be planted at the Cemetery, as a border, not along the driveway? The dead trees are to be replaced from Council funds; some of the \$15,000 can be used for the balance. Meeting advised that the \$15,000 Club Grant money is to be spent on trees – anywhere in Euston.

We still have \$9,900 from our budget. All the Club money can be spent on trees.

This will be a good opportunity to go around town and pick up any spots that need trees – Recreation ground, Memorial Park, Cemetery border, centre of Perry Street, in front of Barry's place.

Moved B. Watts seconded I. Bolt:

That the \$15,000 remaining from Euston Club Grant money be used to purchase trees, which are to be ordered as soon as possible. Any surplus money to be used for removal of old trees. Carried.

Town to be checked to find out how many trees need removing.

2. Euston Club and the Riverfront:

Matter is ongoing. Dale Milner was to start two weeks ago but no movement yet. Andre will contact him again. Can someone else be used?

3. Street Design:

Ongoing; members to come up with ideas suitable for Murray Terrace and Perry Street so a design can be prepared that we agree with.

4. Lake Benanee:

Picnic table – Is not in yet. There appeared to be a misunderstanding as to who would install it. Council to do. Previously agreed it should go under one of the existing shelters, which already have concrete floors. (A badge acknowledging it was bought with proceeds from the Honesty Box is to be attached.)

Honesty Box update - \$995.35.

Moved I. Bolt seconded B. Watts:

That we use some of the Committee's money to top up what has been collected from the Honesty Box and purchase another table. Carried.

Tree Suckers – Andre is waiting for David to call him.

5. Budget:

Committee would like an update after our current spending.

6. Medley Park:

Cut-outs: have been cut and are in Swan Hill at the powder coating place. Once they are back at Dave Gadsden's (Balranald) could someone pick them up, when they are coming to Euston, and bring them here? They can be dropped off at Ian Bolt's – 14 Murray Terrace. Ian and Barry will install them in the Park.

Shade Sails: 8 poles, 5m tall, (125 x 125 square, 5ml thick); will be suitable for the shade sails. Can they please be bought to the Euston Depot? We will then have a working bee to

tidy and paint them. Barry will check at Moore Street Plumbing (Haymes Paint agent), ask if paint can be booked to Balranald Council and paid from our budget. Andre will check with Peter Mattschoss.

7. Benanee/Korakee Storyboards:

Ongoing item.

8. Courthouse:

Bryon Neville matter to be attended to.

9. Berrett Park:

Discussed previously.

10. 'Euston' Town Entrance Signs:

Barry is still to check the lights but, apparently, they are working!

11. Steve Leslie's Shed:

To remain as an Agenda item.

12. Euston War Memorial - Lights:

Some of the paint fell off - easily; PVC has to be specially coated with a primer before painting. Barry will do the job this month. Lights are recessed, will insects be a problem? Barry assured the meeting that the LED has a prism over it and insects won't be a problem.

13. Euston Cemetery:

Ongoing; discussed earlier.

14. Boat Ramp (Emergency Services):

Andre has made some inquiries; to follow further. Persist!

15. Water over Roads – Murray Terrace / Nixon Street:

We wait for rain so the work can be tested.

16. Pavement opposite Courthouse:

This matter will be included in next year's Council Budget.

17. Tree in Medley Park:

Andre advised that the arborist is in Balranald today to look at the Moreton Bay Figs. He will come to Euston and look at the Medley Park tree after that. At this stage, we only want to know whether or not it's rotten; if it is, it will have to be removed.

18. ANZAC Eve Commemorations, 2018

Discussion on where plans are up to at the moment.

Police command has moved from Balranald so local police may have to be advised about the day.

Event Management Plan has been completed.

Ian and Barry will check the Park to see where a new tree or trees can go, also to look at the best place for another wave seat.

19. Medley Park – Additional Art Work:

Ken had circulated pictures of a spider in a web, from a garden centre in Renmark; cost \$800. He thinks it would look good in Medley Park. Members to think about this. It wouldn't break but would children climb it and maybe fall?

New Business:

A. Footpaths:

The path in front of the Pre-School has dropped and outside “Mad Mick’s”, the Jacaranda tree roots have pushed the path up. Both are dangerous and need inspecting/fixing.

B. Roundabout:

This is looking very untidy - disgusting; it needs a good clean and perhaps painting. Andre will send a Works Request to RMS.

C. Euston Footpaths:

When will Euston get its turn for Footpaths?

Andre – Footpath sites can be looked at when looking at trees. Perhaps an audit of all footpaths is needed.

Next Meeting: of the Euston Beautification & Tourism Committee will be held at the Euston Courthouse on Tuesday, 3rd April, 2018, commencing at 9.00 a.m.

Close: There was no further business and the Meeting closed at 9.55 a.m.