



**RESIDENTS 3000 INC. COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY, 30TH MARCH 2015
AT 603/260 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE
FROM 6.00PM**

MINUTES

1. **Welcome:** John Dall'Amico opened the meeting at 6.07pm and welcomed all present.
2. **Apologies:** Art Hadja 2/5, and Robyn Bunting 3/5.
3. **Present:** John Dall'Amico 5/5, Susan Saunders 5/5, Denise Reynolds 4/5, Merle Willis 5/5, Eric Giammario 5/5, Rafael Camillo 5/5, Shelley Roberts 4/5, and Steven Myrteza (1/5).
4. **Quorum:** A quorum was declared.

John Dall'Amico welcomed all present and in particular Steven Myrteza who had been invited to fill a casual vacancy on the committee which was left by Rauni Fertin. John also thanked Shelley Roberts for inviting the committee to her home as a venue for this meeting.

5. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

It was noted that the minutes of the previous committee meeting held on Monday, 23rd February 2015 had been circulated to the committee, and taken as read.

Motion to Accept the minutes

Moved: Susan Saunders

Seconded: Eric Giammario

MOTION CARRIED

6. Business Arising

a) FED Square get-fit / training sessions

Robyn Bunting had previously informed the committee of a large group being involved in free City of Melbourne fitness sessions on Wednesday evenings at Federation Square. She had suggested that Residents 3000 could become involved and that it be used an advertising opportunity.

Action: Robyn Bunting to follow this up with the City of Melbourne.

b) CoRBA (Coalition of Resident & Business Associations)

Eric Giammario advised that Yolande Leonardi had been attending the CoRBA committee meetings in her own capacity, not as a representative of Residents 3000, and therefore would not be reporting back to the committee. He noted that a Residents 3000 committee member would need to attend and report back. It was noted that CoRBA was an umbrella group covering a number of other incorporated groups, including Residents 3000. A discussion was held regarding the potential benefits of CoRBA membership including the possibility of using CoRBA's database.

John Dall'Amico advised that the CoRBA membership renewal fee of \$50 was due, and that it be considered by the committee.

Motion / Resolution: Shelley Roberts moved that the CoRBA membership fee be paid, that the matter be placed on the agenda for further discussion at the next committee meeting, and that a Residents 3000 representative attend the CoRBA meetings.

Moved: Shelley Roberts

Seconded: Unanimous

MOTION CARRIED

7. Correspondence In / Out

Merle Willis noted receipt of a membership application and invoice of \$181 for renewal of the Flinders Lane PO Box. A discussion was held and the possibility raised of winding down the PO Box in future and for another address to be used for any physical mail if required.



8. President's Report

John Dall'Amico advised that Residents 3000 now have two supporters/sponsors, the first being Fawcner May, an Owners Corporation company who would provide annual sponsorship of \$1,000 and Hocking Stuart who would provide sponsorship of \$1,250. He noted that there would be different levels of sponsorship, and that he was in negotiations with an architect for sponsorship at a lower entry level, such as \$250. John advised that he was also in negotiations with Ikea regarding potentially becoming a Residents 3000 sponsor.

John updated the committee on the recent distribution of the April CBD News which Residents 3000 had agreed to assist with. In particular he thanked Rafael Camillo for agreeing to join him and for participating in delivering up to 5000 of the CBD News newspapers to cafes, restaurants and businesses in the CBD, whilst gaining useful feedback in the process. It was noted however that the next step would be for Residents 3000 to employ someone each month to do the delivery and to monitor the process.

Action: Denise Reynolds to prepare an invoice to CBD News for \$400 for this month's paper delivery.

John Dall'Amico advised that he has been in negotiation with a Sydney based walking tour company with regards to providing a Residents 3000 branded two hour tour of the city to CBD residents who have paid their Residents 3000 membership fees. The tour would start at a café in the city where free coffee would also be provided, and at this stage Caboose Canteen in the City Square and Sun Moth Canteen in Niagara Lane had indicated their interest in participating. John Dall'Amico noted that Residents 3000 members would receive a printed voucher for the free tour and coffee when they joined or renewed their membership. No date has been set for the first tour, however Sundays have been earmarked with a possible 10.00am start. This will be partly dependant on the café being open on the Sunday.

John noted that consideration had been given to potentially incorporating and promoting the Walking Plan introduced by the City of Melbourne, and that he had been and would continue discussions regarding this with the appropriate people at Council.

9. Treasurers Report – DR

Denise Reynolds provided an update, advising that she was unable to produce a Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet as the MYOB transfer was still incomplete. This was due to PayPal being unco-operative in adding authority for Denise to access the account, despite Susan Saunders sending numerous emails to resolve the issue. Sue advised that she would delete Denise then add her to the account again in an attempt to circumvent the issues. It was noted that due to the many issues currently experienced with PayPal and an increase in fees, consideration is being given to cease using PayPal. Susan Saunders advised that an advantage of using PayPal is the automatic annual renewals it generates, however that she would investigate other options.

Denise provided an update on the account balances, membership income received and recent accounts paid, being \$485 for AGM costs, \$230 for business cards, and \$400 for the creative designer. Denise sought approval for payment of the Australia Post PO Box renewal invoice of \$181, the CoRBA membership fee of \$50, and reimbursement of \$305.15 for the MYOB purchase which she had made using her own Visa card.

Motion to Accept the Treasurers Report and approve payments.

Moved: Eric Giammarino

Seconded: Susan Saunders

MOTION CARRIED

10. Sub-Committee Reports

Fund Raising, Grants, Charity Sub-Committee – John Dall'Amico had provided a sponsorship update as part of the President's Report earlier in the meeting.

Membership Benefits – John Dall'Amico had provided information in the President's Report regarding free CBD tours for Residents 3000 members.

Events Sub-Committee – Events considered to be planned for the year had previously been noted as follows:

- 1) A "Sustainability" event, with the lead organiser being Shelley Roberts.
- 2) A "Meet our Politicians" event, with the lead organiser being Rafael Camillo.
- 3) A joint event held with East Enders.
- 4) The AGM / End of year party.



Shelley Roberts informed the committee that the *Sustainable Architects Forum* which is part of the *Australian Institute of Architects* run sponsored events every three months at 41 Exhibition Street, including an event called "Raising the Green Bar". She advised that their next event would be on *Rating Systems*, and the event thereafter would be regarding *Sustainability in Apartments*. Shelley noted that she would be discussing with the event organisers the possibility of Residents 3000 participating in and being invited to the sustainability event.

Action: Shelley to update the committee and advise dates.

John Dall'Amico noted that Ikea as a potential sponsor had also indicated an interest in sustainability.

11. Website Update

Susan Saunders noted that despite her email informing the committee of the difficulty experienced migrating the website from one to another, she had in fact been successful in doing so. She advised that the content was moved but that the theme did not come across, and that possibly a new theme with three columns would need to be chosen instead. There was still more work to be done to the new self-hosted site which was not yet accessible to the public. Rafael Camillo raised the question of how the Sponsors would be added to the new web site, and it was noted that this matter would be addressed by the technical sub-committee.

12. Projects and Programs

a) Residential Security Self-Assessment

John Dall'Amico noted that the building safety audit project is a major project for Residents 3000 currently and that Hocking Stuart had shown interested in becoming involved. He noted further that the Police are already part of the project.

13. General Business

- a) Eric Giammario noted that as a long standing Residents 3000 committee member he was encouraged and energised by the commitment and focus of the current committee. Eric advised the committee that he had recently met with Amanda Black who had been successfully involved in a refurbishment project to a building in Queen Street which included installing a rooftop garden, and had subsequently won a competition for doing so. Eric suggested that Amanda Black be invited to one of the Residents 3000 events, and it was noted that he would invite her to join the May Kelvin Club Drinks Night, with a view to her giving a talk about the process she had gone through with council.
- b) Rafael Camillo requested that receipts for expenses for delivering papers be reimbursed, totalling \$28.90. This was approved by the committee.
- c) Steve Myrteza noted that he was keen to become involved as part of the technical sub-committee and with the Residents 3000 website, and in particular to incorporate and manage social media, i.e. Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest for Residents 3000. Susan Saunders noted that she would be meeting with the technical sub-committee soon, and would make Steven an administrator user along with Artur.

14. Date of Next Meeting

It had previously been confirmed that the next committee meeting was scheduled to be held on Monday, 27 April.

The remaining Committee meetings scheduled for the rest of the calendar year are as follows:

25 May, 29 June, 27 July, 31 August, 28 September, 26 October, 30 November (elect new committee and executive).
AGM – Thursday, 26 November.

15. Meeting Close

The meeting was declared closed at 7.15pm.

Confirmed as correct.

[signed]

John Dall'Amico, President

Date: 27 April 2015