



# Andamooka Progress and Opal Miners Association Inc.

*'Preserving our past and planning for our future'*

## APOMA Committee Meeting

### MINUTES

*Approved 2 May 2024*

MINUTES:	APOMA Committee Meeting 21 March 2024 1740
	Andamooka Community Hall & Zoom
In attendance:	David Simons, Chair Gill Rowley, Treasurer Rodney Mitchell via telephone Peter Sach Donna Waters John Smirnios, arrived 1800  Richard Hawkins, Maintenance & Projects Katalin Wilby, ACHWAG representative & public officer Shauna Stott, Administration Assistant
Apologies:	Lara Lukich, Richard Clifford, Allison Smoker (Proxy: Gill Rowley), Corrie Ferguson, Cecilia Woolford
Absent:	
Minutes taken:	Alison Alder, Administration Assistant

Item	Action
1 <b>Welcome</b> 1.1 Chair David Simons welcomed the APOMA committee to the meeting. 1.2 A quorum was met with 5 committee members present. 1.3 Nil new declaration of interest. 1.4 Welcome to K Wilby and S Stott.	
2 <b>Minutes</b> <b>2.1 Previous Minutes</b> The previous meeting minutes were presented and reviewed. One spelling error to be rectified at item 5. Rectified during meeting.  <b>Motion:</b> The minutes of the APOMA Committee meeting held on 24 February 2024 be accepted as true and correct. <b>Moved:</b> R Mitchell <b>Seconded:</b> P Sach All in favour	

	<p><b>2.2 Business Arising from previous minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dine-a-mite air conditioner requires venting and outside unit cover, with ongoing engineering.</li> <li>• Recent hall cleaning deemed satisfactory.</li> <li>• Letter sent to Kokatha Representative Mr. Andrew Starkey regarding concerns about activities around the airstrip and road undertaken by other organizations without consultation.</li> <li>• R Hawkins suggested relocating the airstrip near Laundry Hill, supported by some but opposed by RFDS.</li> <li>• Improve Outback Roads: G Rowley suggests expressions of interest from the community for a consultant to examine the network.</li> </ul>	
3	<p><b>Financial Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audit completed with one transaction entered in the wrong financial year, awaiting sign-off.</li> <li>• Quarterly report received, to be reviewed by committee before Member meeting.</li> <li>• G Rowley provided quarterly report outline in preparation for Member meeting, with bookkeeper remaining as independent auditor.</li> </ul> <p>Motion: The APOMA committee approve the budget as presented to be presented to the community and Members to proceed with negotiations towards the 2024/2025 CARM Agreement.  Moved: R Mitchell Seconded: D Waters  All in favour</p> <p>Bank Signatories  I Thompson remains as bank signatory and requires removal.</p> <p>Motion: The APOMA committee accepts the removal of Mr. Ian Thompson as financial signatory.  Moved: J Smirnios Seconded: P Sach  All in favour</p>	
4	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p><b>4.1 Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program - Governance Structure and Partnership Confirmation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OCA seeks feedback on the draft for the Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program; APOMA committee members to review and provide feedback.</li> <li>• Interest expressed by several committee members in joining the Outback Resilience Partnership.</li> <li>• Further discussion scheduled for Thursday, 28th at 12 PM.</li> </ul> <p><b>4.2 Outback SA Drought Resilience Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Andamooka representatives participated in a workshop concerning the Outback SA Drought Resilience Plan, focusing on topics such as pipeline management and responses to droughts and floods, leading to robust discussions.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For information.</li> </ul> <p><b>4.3 Rainwater harvesting – Constance Attard</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Constance Attard has requested to deliver a brief presentation at the Planning Forum regarding rainwater harvesting, with an interactive workshop to follow for interested community members.</li> </ul> <p><b>4.4 Meeting request - Regional Development Australia Far North, Greg Williams</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A meeting has been scheduled with Greg Williams of Regional Development Australia Far North to reconnect and strengthen the relationship, with a focus on discussing new business proposals. John Goldsmith will be included in the meeting to discuss a specific business proposal.</li> </ul>	Add to Agenda
5	<p><b>5. Other Reports</b> Reports to be presented at Member Meeting</p> <p><b>Town Office Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteers needed for Easter community events.</li> <li>• Ongoing IT security checks, concerns remain about Treasurer's laptop.</li> <li>• New office email receiving traffic.</li> <li>• Progress on website upgrade, presentation planned for June meeting.</li> <li>• Latest newsletter features Easter events.</li> <li>• Miners Meeting postponed until miners return in mid-May.</li> <li>• Cubby House group requests placement of one cubby at front of hall and another at back.</li> <li>• DE fib and snake kits complete.</li> <li>• Equipment donated by BHP includes fridges, washing machines, and furniture.</li> </ul> <p>ACHWAG report to be presented at Member Meeting. D Simons acknowledged recent work completed by the group.</p>	
6	<p><b>Membership</b> New membership application: Constance Attard</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> The APOMA Committee accepts the new members as presented. <b>Moved:</b> R Mitchell <b>Seconded:</b> P Sach All in favour</p> <p><b>Role Exchange</b> As discussed in APOMA committee meeting on 25 January 2024. The roles of Treasurer (G Rowley) and Vice-Treasurer (C Ferguson) be exchanged.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Personnel in Treasurer and Vice-Treasurer roles are formally exchanged from April 2024 APOMA committee meeting. <b>Moved:</b> R Mitchell <b>Seconded:</b> D Waters</p>	

	<p>All in favour</p> <p>R Mitchell raised the point that this is a significant step towards separating the roles of treasurer and office manager and sees it as a benefit.</p>	
7	<p><b>General Business</b></p> <p><b>7.1 Confidentiality Agreements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• G Rowley to send out agreement for review and discussion.</li> <li>• Agreements to then be updated and signed by both committee members and staff.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.2 Local Indigenous Group matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White dam industrial land may be under Native Title. R Hawkins to investigate.</li> <li>• Concerns raised regarding condition of road to Lake Torrens. D Simons to meet with Kokatha represented Mr. Andrew Starkey to view road and discuss.</li> <li>• D Waters suggests writing to Indigenous Groups to introduce APOMA new members and reconnect/build relationships etc</li> </ul> <p><b>7.3 Community Group Interaction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• G Rowley suggests community group networking to improve productivity and idea flowing between groups.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.4 Caravan and Camp Ground Signage</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rules and regulations signage tabled. Committee happy with content.</li> <li>• Signage placed undercover to avoid sun damage.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.5 John Goldsmith Proposal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• J Goldsmith seeking assistance in proposal plastic recycling plant to create tiles. Intention is to be off grid. More details are required in ways of business care. He needs an area away from town, perhaps on White Dam road if he meets statutory requirements.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.6 Signage for violence and abuse</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The committee approves signage to deter anti-social and abusive behaviour. Wording and location to be further discussed.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.7 Andamooka Easter Market</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For information only.</li> <li>• A number of stall registrations have been received.</li> </ul>	<p>RH Investigate White Dam industrial area</p> <p>GR to create schedule</p>
8	<p><b>Other Business</b></p> <p><b>8.1 Splash Pad</b></p> <p>P Sach reports tank is overflowing, creating a slip hazard. R Hawkins and Luke aware and work in progress.</p>	
Next Meeting:		

- APOMA Member Meeting – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 12.30pm.
- Open Community Planning Forum – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 2.00pm

Meeting closed: 2045

Signed:

Date:

Dave Simons, CHAIR