

Mount Molloy Boiler Block Benefit Committee, Inc.

Minutes- 09/01/2021

Convened: 6.00pm on Boiler Block 18 Santowski Crescent

Attending: John Brisbin, Caroline Lieber, Cyril Vains, Sue Northey

Apologies: Bruce Ferguson, Gerda Domen, Lorne Cubit

Minutes of last meeting 07/11/2020 -read and accepted as true and accurate record-
Proposed- John Brisbin Seconded- Cyril Vains

Treasurer's Report- Summarised verbally by John Brisbin, as briefed by Bruce Ferguson.
Total in account held at Bendigo Bank \$560.00
Treasurer's report noted.

Business Arising:

- **Membership**, previously set at \$20 now due and payable to
Boiler Block
BSB: 633000
Acc: 179406863

- **Banking:**

Account as above has been opened with Bendigo Bank

- **JAMARR Support**

JAMARR Has agreed to support in any way practical the Mount Molloy Boiler Block Benefit Committee Inc. MMBBCC.

- **Contact made with local community groups**

Committee members have contacted some community groups and will reconnect with or approach community groups about inclusion and support for MMBBCC.

New Business

- **Contacting community groups and interested parties**

Committee members to contact community groups.

- **Banking and Finance**

Banking details as per business arising

- **Fundraising**

Possible fundraising streams discussed-

Regional Arts Development Fund- RADF- will be applied to by John Brisbin for the purpose of acquiring fund to get initial signage produced for the project.

Discussion on the proposal by Cyril to sell plaques, bricks or similar, to interested parties was held and further thought is needed into what sort of item we would like to sell as a commemorative fundraiser. Of particular interest was wooden plaques made from same timber as sawmill used to cut. Caroline presented the idea of commissioning and selling timber value seedlings. Perhaps consider a seedling nursery/reforestation angle?

John presented the idea of a sawmilling demonstration to break a large log that is now on site, possibly by Brian McKean and involving the Men's Shed, into slabs to be sold as a fundraiser.

Caroline suggested an honesty box donation system and discussion was held around the best ways to get visitors to donate to the project. Sue suggested that an early priority should be to have signage accompanying the honesty box explaining that this was a community funded project and suggesting a donation.

- **Tidy up and safety on the site**

A post and chain fence was suggested by John to surround the infrastructure and possible signage to request respect for the structures.

Caroline suggested that initially a cleared and defined walking track be established around the perimeter of the structure to allow safe viewing.

Recovered Iron that is considered of historical significance, to be stored initially on Sue Northey's property. It is hoped this will deter visitors from souveniring iron from the heritage listed site. John will also approach the new owners of the electric sawmill about recovery and storage of iron on that site.

- **Supporters and Allies**

George Chapman, Bill McKean to be contacted by John, and Joan Crothers to be contacted by Cyril, to ascertain if and how they would like to be involved in the project, possibly as Honorary members or in some role of recognition.


Sue Suggested the Mareeba Historical Society be contacted to ask if they are willing to be involved in the project with help in providing any relevant material they have about the saw mill. John to Contact.

- **Other Business**

John will Contact Mareeba Shire Council to request the Council Rates for the block be waived.

John has registered the domain boilerblock.com.au to be used for promotion and information. John presented some ideas for the initial signage for the structure (using the old For Sale sign from MPO) and a logo for the group which those present approved.

No Further Business: Meeting closed at 7.00pm. Next Meeting after Markets 6th March.

This is a true and faithful record of the meeting, as agreed by attendees.	03/04/2021	
	John Brisbin, President	