

Mount Molloy Boiler Block Benefit Committee, Inc

Minutes - 03/04/2021

Convened: 12:30 / Chair: John Brisbin

Members as at 03/04/2021: Cyril Vains, John Brisbin, Sue Northey, Gerda Domen, Simon Hawse, Bruno Martin, Bruce Ferguson, Caroline Lieber, Lorne Cubit, Pam Finch

Quorum for meetings: 4 members

Attending: Cyril Vains, John Brisbin, Caroline Lieber, Bruno Martin, Pam Finch, Gerda Domen (6)

Apologies: Simon Hawse, Sue Northey, Bruce Ferguson

Actions arising:

- a. Application to RADF (JB): Done, waiting to hear results mid-April
 - b. Contact Bill McKerlie to ask for his involvement (BF): Done, Bill is interested
 - c. Contact Suzanne Crothers (CV): Done/Suzanne not yet ready to commit
 - d. Fundraising plaque or brick idea (CV): Keen to get started. Cyril suggested people can pay off their pledge over time. Metal plaques? What kind of mounting and position? Some ideas floated...Caroline noted we need more people involved before making major decisions.
 - e. Boiler iron on sawmill site? (JB): not done
 - f. Patron/supporters - George Chapman+BillMcKean (JB): not done. Suggested that Lister Pringle would also be an excellent patron. ACTION: Pam (?) to initiate contact?
 - g. Mareeba historical Society contact (JB): not done
 - h. Apply for waiver of rates (JB): Done/successful. Rates are now \$17/half yearly. Council's decision can be reviewed. We need to tell them of any change of use to the block.
 - i. Website set up (JB): Done/<http://www.boilerblock.com.au>
2. **Minutes from 09/01/2021:** moved (JB) seconded (Bruno) accepted.
 3. **Review finances / Call for membership fees:** Received \$20 from Pam, and \$20 from Gerda.
 4. **Logo/branding review:** Bruno and Caroline presented logo design and ideas behind it. Group approved of the logo.

- 5. **Public announcement/event:** Agreed that we need to call more people in with the message the “the committee is being formed”. Best time would be at the next markets (1 May). **ACTION:** Bruno and Caroline to draw up a poster for placement at community bulletin boards.
- 6. **Signage ideas:** Suggested that the interpretive signage be informed by a good range of sources. For example, ask Geoff and Narelle (Top Shop) what questions people ask them.
- 7. **Treasurer role:** John noted that it will be quite difficult going forward unless the books are maintained on a computer/cloud-based platform. To be fair to Bruce, this is not what he signed up for when he kindly offered to stand as Treasurer during formation of the group. **ACTION:** John requested that everyone keep their feelers out for someone willing to take the role on a digital basis.
- 8. **Fund-raising:** Cyril proposed setting the plaque price at \$1000. Some discussion suggested that was too high. Cyril “market tested” the idea with Pam and found that she was happy with the \$1000 figure as long as it could be taken in a couple of payments. This gave the committee confidence that \$1000 is a workable figure.

Cyril put a down payment on two plaques at the meeting and Pam pledged to get her first payment to John in the coming week

Gerda presented two donations raised from bottle collection: Sue and Andrea for \$125 and Daniel Bale for \$75. Both of these donations are to be thanked and acknowledged.

Bruno suggested that founder/patron fundraising should target “People who hold the memory of Mount Molloy.”

Next meeting: 1 May

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

