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**Minutes of 2008 AGM held on 30 December 2008 at Munus Hall, Waenhuiskrans.**

The meeting was scheduled to commence at 09h30, but due to congestion at the registration table, arising from the extraordinarily high attendance it commenced at 10h15.

Colin Bird chaired the meeting.

1. **Welcome**

- 1.1. The chairman welcomed the persons present, particularly the large attendance by new members.
- 1.2. The meeting was informed of the procedure to be followed when the voting for the new committee.
- 1.3. Votes will be counted by Mr. Rudolf Oelofse, assisted by the treasurer, Keith Higgins and Jacque Dommissie and the results would be audited.
- 1.4. The meeting was informed that whilst everyone was welcome to speak, those who are not members would be entitled to speak only at the chairman's discretion.

2. **Apologies**

- 2.1. The chairman called for other apologies. No names were submitted other than Judy Smuts.

3. **Chairman's report**

- 3.1. Chairman asked the meeting to accept his newsletter (4/2008) as his report since it contains a comprehensive review of the year's activities and has been sent to all registered members. In addition, 150 copies of the newsletter, minutes of the 2007 AGM and the 2008 financial report were handed out at the meeting.



- 3.2. The chairman's report was accepted, having been proposed by Murray van Heerden and seconded by Gavin Hau.

4. **Financial Report**

- 4.1. The chairman tabled for acceptance the financial report, noting that the Association had more money in the bank than ever before as a result of it having more members than before. He noted that the circulated copy had not been signed by the treasurer, Keith Higgins, due to time constraints. Keith Higgins indicated that he had subsequently signed the document.
- 4.2. A discussion then ensued regarding the membership fee. André Marthinus proposed that a membership fee of R20, Gavin Hau a fee of R80 and Robert Haarburger a fee of R10.
- 4.3. Murray van Heerden pointed out that the practicalities of the costs of running an association should be acknowledged and the fee should remain at R50. This was seconded by James Jooste.
- 4.4. Thereafter a debate ensued and Eve Marthinus stated that the people of Kassiesbaai could not afford more than R20 and that the membership fee should be a fee which the people can afford and that would encourage them to join the association.
- 4.5. Various further suggestions were put before the meeting and much discussion took place. After the discussion the chairman proposed a membership fee of R20 with a guideline of R50 for those who felt they could afford more. Majority support for this proposal was indicated by show of hands and the proposal was carried.

5. **Minutes of AGM 2007**

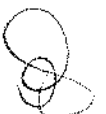
- 5.1. The minutes of the AGM held on 27 December 2007 were tabled and the chairman called for discussion and acceptance.
- 5.2. Robert Haarburger pointed out that although the minutes stated that the attendance register was attached it was not. The chairman apologised for the oversight.
- 5.3. Robert Haarburger said that the attendance register was intentionally not attached, although he gave no reason when asked why it would intentionally not be attached.
- 5.4. The chairman pointed out that the register was available at the meeting for inspection by anyone who chose to do so.



- 5.5. Robert Haarburger requested the secretary to ensure that the minutes reflected that he stated that the chairman had intentionally not attached the attendance register.
- 5.6. Colin Bird asked everyone present to sign the attendance register. He then handed over chairmanship of the meeting to allow him to participate in discussions arising out of the chairman's report and the minutes of the last AGM. Murray van Heerden took the chair.
- 5.7. Robert Haarburger asked who took the minutes of the last AGM, stating that Murray van Heerden took the minutes. Colin Bird stated that Peter Hofmeyr took the minutes and he had relied on notes from others who attended the meeting and also a limited recording when compiling the minutes. It was noted that Robert Haarburger was not at the 2007 AGM and he was questioned as how he could make a statement about who took the minutes.
- 5.8. Murray van Heerden then introduced the topic relating to the litigation against Verreweide concerning erf 599. He stated that at the previous AGM in 2007 the committee had been mandated to investigate the sale of erf 599 from the Municipality to Verreweide and also whether there were approved plans for the building operations. The committee was also mandated to proceed with litigation if there were legal grounds to do so. He informed the meeting that after an investigation it was found that Verreweide had proceeded to build for a period of approximately four months without approved building plans and further that there appeared to be an irregular transfer of the property from the Municipality to Verreweide. The committee, acting on their mandate of the AGM 2007, instituted proceedings against the Municipality and Verreweide. An application was instituted to interdict the building operations and development of erf 599, pending the setting aside of the plans which had subsequently been approved and the setting aside of the transfer of the property from the Municipality to Verreweide. The Association obtained an interdict preventing the further building operations on 22 April 2008 and the matter was enrolled for final relief for 18 May 2009.
- 5.9. Murray van Heerden informed the meeting that he initially acted on behalf of the Association on a pro bono basis, but an incident occurred where he was accused of defaming the CEO of the Municipality and he decided to withdraw from representing the Association as possibly he was too closely involved in the matter. The defamation case was settled by Murray van Heerden's Professional Indemnity Insurers on advice from Senior Counsel.
- 5.10. There was a short discussion between John Graham and Murray van Heerden relating to whether members are responsible for the legal fees of the Association should they be unsuccessful. Murray van Heerden informed the meeting that the law in this regard is uncertain, but he believes that they are not, further debate in this regard ensued.



- 5.11. Murray van Heerden stated that he was certain that at some point in the meeting there would be a motion to stop the legal proceedings. He informed the meeting that the only way to stop the proceedings is to withdraw the proceedings and when you do so you must tender the costs. He informed the meeting that if you are successful with your case you will not bear the costs and the unsuccessful party will pay the costs. He stated that he believes that the Association will be successful in its action, but every member is free to vote as they wish.
- 5.12. The meeting was then asked for a proposal for the approval of the minutes of the AGM of 2007.
- 5.13. Robert Haarburger then took issue with the minutes and accused Murray van Heerden of having a conflict of interest in that he has a financial interest in the litigation as he will get legal fees. Robert Haarburger was informed that Murray van Heerden was acting pro bono and that he would only get fees on the action being successful. Robert Haarburger then attempted to raise the issue of Murray van Heerden's case with the CEO of the Municipality amidst many interjections from the floor.
- 5.14. When order was restored Hannes van Zyl stated that if Robert Haarburger is convinced that Murray van Heerden should recuse himself because of a perceived conflict of interest, even when he was clearly acting for the Association pro bono and at a considerable expense to himself, then Robert Haarburger must surely concede that he and Mr Danford should also recuse themselves from the meeting, both have an interest to see that the legal action against Verreweide is stopped. Should they succeed to stop the legal action against Verreweide it will in effect mean that the Association will pay their legal costs. They will have enormous financial benefit also in other aspects of the matter. Surely, if Mr. Haarburger believes his own argument, he should recuse himself.
- 5.15. After extended applause from the floor Edwin Agnew said that he noticed two camps in the meeting, who are often interrupting speakers from the other side and that the correct procedures must be followed.
- 5.16. The two issues being debated were summarized, the one issue is the enquiry as to the legal obligations of the members of the Association, the other issue is the formal acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 5.17. Ms Ethel Botha introduced herself as a person who appeared in an article in Noseweek Magazine. She said that we all make mistakes in life and that she is not perfect, but Noseweek only took one part of the story according to her. She said that if she must pay back the money she received from the sale of the shares of Verreweide, she will do so. She explained the history of Verreweide and acquiring the property. She informed the meeting



that in 2008 Hannes van Zyl did not want to purchase the property when she offered it to him. Robert Haarburger then bought it. She stated that Robert Haarburger made a mistake to start building without plans, but the members should put that behind them. She stated that the members should use the money for the court case instead for a building in Kassiesbaai that Hannes van Zyl is looking to build for the community. She further stated that the piece of property "at the back", which "all of you" wanted to pay R6 million for (a reference to the property behind Harbour Street) should be given to the community for planting vegetables etc.

- 5.18. Keith Higgins wanted to know what the legal proceedings will cost the association, the Municipality and Robert Haarburger. He was informed that only the costs of the Association are known. He said that the reason for his question is because the Municipality's costs are indirectly paid by members of the Association.
- 5.19. Murray van Heerden informed him that in most cases where a Municipality was involved in cases like this, they usually abided the decision of the court. The role of the Municipality is merely to provide the relevant facts to the court, so that the court can decide the matter. For some unknown reason the Municipality, in this instance, decided to actively oppose the application - an action which is virtually unheard of.
- 5.20. Keith Higgins asked whether it is safe to assume that the legal fees of all the parties are close to R1 million at the moment of the meeting. He said these could increase as the parties will probably go on appeal and the matter could be delayed for a very long time. Murray van Heerden then said to Keith Higgins that people should abide by the law and if they do not it is the duty of everybody present to see that fairness and lawfulness is implemented. There were many interjections of "Hear Hear" and also extended applause.
- 5.21. Murray van Heerden was asked whether a settlement was possible and he informed the meeting that the committee have, through their lawyers and as well as having approached both the Municipality and Robert Haarburger's lawyers to discuss possible settlement. He informed the meeting that the committee had invited both Robert Haarburger and the Municipality to come to talk to them. Robert Haarburger disputed this and said that the first approach he had received was 12 December 2008, 3 weeks ago.
- 5.22. Murray van Heerden replied that very early in the proceedings he personally indicated to Robert Haarburger in the offices of Haarburger's counsel that the matter should be settled.
- 5.23. A discussion then ensued between Murray van Heerden and Robert Haarburger when Edwin Agnew interjected and stated: "*Die vergadering raak nou 'n tweegesprek. Ek stel nie daarin belang nie!*"

- 5.24. Pierre du Preez reminded the meeting that a year ago the meeting mandated the committee to investigate the legal aspect of this issue and to proceed if necessary. He stated that they did complete the objective. There were some sideshows, such as the attempts to take over the Association and the entry of the Waenhuiskrans Action Group (WAG), which had also been opposed by Verreweide, but which Verreweide had lost in Court. He said the Association stood up for what they believed to be correct: *"The Association still believes it was and is correct. With all due respect: It is not incumbent on this Association to now talk about settlement when everything has been seen to be correct so far. I cannot see why we should be having this discussion. We have succeeded so far. Why should we step down now?"* He pointed out that the meeting should not discuss settlement, as it was not relevant. The settlement was part of the legal process.
- 5.25. Drew Danford proposed that the court case should be delegated to WAG in order to alleviate the Ratepayers Association's responsibility and time to debate this issue. He proposed that the Association should stand aside from the legal action and take a vote not to continue the debate. The Association can follow its rights when it decides not to oppose the application.
- 5.26. Colin Bird reminded him that the Ratepayers Association is totally separate from WAG. It cannot and does not follow any rights under any other association.
- 5.27. Drew Danford said that he would like to say, with great danger to his relationship with his partner, Robert Haarbarger, that the personalities involved in this issue are too extreme to be able to move forward. He would like to propose that a mediator be considered. He further proposed that a vote should be taken for the Association to leave this matter for WAG.
- 5.28. Drew Danford on a question from Murray van Heerden admitted that he has an interest in Verreweide through being a director.
- 5.29. Murray van Heerden then stated that the meeting had decided a year ago that the ship must sail, the ship should proceed and the court should decide who is right and who is wrong, that being the fairest way, otherwise this debate will carry on indefinitely.
- 5.30. Drew Danford then enquired about a loan agreement which the executive of the Association had entered into amongst themselves and members regarding the payment of legal fees. He was informed that there was no such an agreement and it was confirmed by Keith Higgins that such an agreement had not been signed. He requested that it be noted that he would that there appears to have been a proposal for a loan agreement in order that the executive will bind the organization. He stated that he believes personalities are the obstructions to this matter being resolved and he proposed a mediator be appointed to attempt to bring the litigation to an end.



- 5.31. Murray van Heerden stated that a letter has been written to Verreweide to see if this matter could be resolved, but Verreweide had not replied thereto. He stated that he didn't believe that a matter such as this could be mediated, but that further settlement discussion should be implemented and undertook to speak to Mr Haarburger's lawyer.
- 5.32. Pierre du Preez stated that he would like to direct the attention of the meeting to the fact already pointed out by Hannes van Zyl, that Robert Haarburger and Drew Danford have a conflict of interest. He hears that Drew Danford says the Association must terminate the legal action. However, as a director involved in litigation, Drew Danford, cannot come to this meeting with clean hands and say "*Let us settle this matter*". Drew Danford and Robert Haarburger should not have any say in any of these matters as they have a conflict of interest. There was extended applause and support for this contention.
- 5.33. Drew Danford then stated that the chairman should not have a vote.
- 5.34. Pierre du Preez replied that as the chairman represents the Association in the litigation, whereas Drew Danford and Robert Haarburger were parties in this litigation against the organization, they cannot come to the meeting with proposals that the Association should terminate the litigation, as in his view they did not have "clean hands" and that this should not be allowed to do so. Once again there was extended applause.
- 5.35. Robert Haarburger stated that the decision to institute legal proceedings was not an agenda item at the AGM 2007 but was a decision taken at an executive meeting in November 2007 when five people were present being Bird, Hofmeyr, Dommissie, Van Heerden, and Higgins. He stated that the decision of this committee as intentionally kept a secret. There were numerous interjections to this, amongst the order "We were informed!"; "We saw you building illegally!"; "Is it OK for you to break the law? etc.
- 5.36. Robert Haarburger stated that the decision to litigate was done under the counter and this is clear as the minutes do not mention how the matter would be funded. He stated further that had it been decided at the meeting then reference would have been made to the funding thereof.
- 5.37. Pierre du Preez asked Robert Haarburger why he builds illegally, to which Robert Haarburger stated, beating on his chest: "Ek is Mnr. Waenhuiskrans! Ek is Mnr. Waenhuiskrans!"
- 5.38. There was general extended laughter and much shouting from floor.
- 5.39. Denise Boers then asked "Mr. Waenhuiskrans" why he thinks he has the right to commence building and to build without permission or legal building plans.



- 5.40. Robert Haarburger said he has approved building plans, but did not state why he could commence building without plans.
- 5.41. Edwin Agnew said that time was being wasted. The division in the community would be worse after the meeting. A vote will not help the matter. He suggested that the Court must decide who is right or else the parties must settle.
- 5.42. Murray van Heerden agreed and suggested that the Association will try to come to a settlement before the matter is heard.
- 5.43. Keith Higgins stated that he is afraid that the members may not understand the full implications of where this issue is going. He further stated that he is concerned about the timeframe. The two main issues discussed here are the irregularities with the building plans and the transfer of the land. He said the Association has an obligation to act when building plans are not in order. The Association is also making efforts to transfer the land (Erf 599) back to the Municipality because the Association wants to obtain funds for the community to give some money back to the community. There was extended applause. He proposed that an outside mediating party with no interest in Arniston be appointed to facilitate the mediation between the involved parties.
- 5.44. Murray van Heerden said that mediation is not binding, but he will nevertheless make attempts to settle this matter.
- 5.45. Norman Murtz asked who paid the legal fees up to the point and whether the ratepayers must pay for the Municipality's mistakes if it is their mistakes. He stated: "*Robert moet sy sake gaan regmaak by die Munisipaliteit. Maar laat die man wat werk gee voortgaan om te bou.*"
- 5.46. The meeting was informed that the costs which have been incurred by the Association had been covered by members who gave money on the understanding that if the Association wins the case those members would be offered their money back.
- 5.47. Rovina Europa warned that the people from Kassiesbaai and adjacent areas must consider the issue carefully. She said that everyone must obey the law and that if they vote for Robert Haarburger that they vote for a development "*... vir 'n man van dié kant. Julle stem vir ontwikkeling alles net by dié kant. By ons kom niks nie!*"
- 5.48. Robert Haarburger stated "*Sit! Sit! Wie sit kos op jou tafel? Jy het nie eens werk nie!*"
- 5.49. Annie Marthinus agreed that development should continue and that if Robert Haarburger was not allowed to finish the development that the local people should take action. She also wanted development and money to be invested on "*the other side, Kassiesbaai*". Numerous



interjections amongst a group expressed support for Robert Haarburger, stating that he supplied work.

- 5.50. Murray van Heerden stated: *"Moet ons die wette van die land wegsit? Moet ons die wette van die land ignoreer?"*
- 5.51. Norman Murtz interjected: *"Ons soek vyftig persent van die komitee, anders is hierdie nie 'n wettige vergadering nie!"*
- 5.52. Juel Starke said it is all good and well to mediate. But someone should ask about the millions of rands that could have gone to the people of Kassiesbaai if the Municipality had supported the empowerment proposal for Erf 599: *"Waar is die miljoene rande wat Kassiesbaai verloor het? By die man met sy groot geld en sy groot Mercedes?"*
- 5.53. Eve Marthinus stated: *"Jy lieg. Dit was in die eerste plek nie eers hulle geld nie!"*
- 5.54. There were numerous calls from the floor to the effect that: *"Ons wil die geld hê!"*
- 5.55. Murray van Heerden closed the debate and called for a proposal to accept the Minutes of the AGM of the 27<sup>th</sup> December 2007. André Pieterse proposed and by Mike Pitt seconded. The proposal was overwhelmingly accepted by a show of hands.

## 6. Voting for a new committee

- 6.1. Colin Bird resumed the chair and introduced the voting for a new committee.
- 6.2. Chairman explained that the constitution provides that 50%, or a figure as close to 50% as the committee decides, should retire each year. He had originally received undertakings from three members and an indication from one more committee member that they would retire. The committee comprises eight members and those four would have made up the 50%. However, during the previous evening, he received an SMS from Keith Higgins saying that he had just spoken to Dawie Maritz stating that they had reconsidered their position and decided not to step down from the committee. The committee was therefore been left with no choice but to accept that only two vacancies exist on the committee.
- 6.3. Robert Haarburger stated that according to his knowledge from the minutes of the previous meeting Colin Bird was not voted on to the committee.
- 6.4. Murray van Heerden said that Robert Haarburger and his lawyers had raised the same argument previously and that this argument had been rejected by Court.
- 6.5. Robert Haarburger said that the meeting has never discussed Colin Bird's membership.

- 6.6. Ferdi Spamer pointed out that the constitution stipulates that the outgoing chairperson must be a member of the new committee and wanted to know what Robert Haarburger's point was?
- 6.7. Colin Bird confirmed that his membership has been validated by the Cape High Court, as a result of previous objections of Robert Haarburger.
- 6.8. André Marthinus wanted to know what the criteria are to choose those co-opted to the committee from Kassiesbaai and the Selfbou areas. He was concerned that those presently in that position on the committee were not providing feedback to the community.
- 6.9. Colin Bird stated that last year two such members were elected to the committee. They were not co-opted.
- 6.10. Hannes van Zyl suggested that André Marthinus submit a written proposal on how co-opted members should be Chosed. André Marthinus indicated that he would do so.
- 6.11. Robert Haarburger said that members should retire after two years on the committee and that the constitution should be read to the meeting before voting. He said that a member must retire after two years so the entire committee should retire.
- 6.12. Colin Bird explained that the interpretation of the constitution had been taken from the history of the Association, going back more than 20 years and that the two year period commenced from the last time a committee member was elected. This is common practice and made sense as it ensured continuity and that is the way elections would proceed.
- 6.13. Robert Haarburger again interjected, shouting that all of the committee should retire and this should be minuted.
- 6.14. There were no objections to the procedures as proposed by Colin Bird, other than those recorded from Robert Haarburger. and the voting proceeded, with the following nominations having been received:
- 6.14.1 Greg Swiel (C Bird-proposed, M van Heerden -seconded); Vivian Lourens (C Bird-proposed, M van Heerden -seconded); Berdine Daniells (A Danford -proposed, L Haarburger -seconded); André Marthinus (A Danford -proposed, L Haarburger -seconded); Robert Haarburger (A Danford -proposed, L Haarburger -seconded); Andrew Danford (R Haarburger -proposed, L Haarburger -seconded); Cobus Maritz (R Haarburger -proposed, L Haarburger -seconded); Riaan Griessel (R Haarburger -proposed, D Danford -seconded); Fredy Marthinus (R Haarburger -proposed, L Haarburger -seconded)

- 6.15. Colin Bird stated that it had been brought to his attention that nominee Riaan Griessel was not a member.
- 6.16. Voting took place.
- 6.17. At this stage a number of people, including Robert Haarburger, left the meeting.

## 7. General

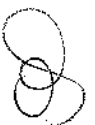
- 7.1. The chairman informed the meeting that he had received complaints about the sewerage system, which system has been planned in three phases, the first phase has been completed.
- 7.2. There were several complaints about a bad smell emanating from the Arniston Hotel, a smell of raw sewerage.
- 7.3. Ferdi Spamer wanted to know whether the system was working, as planned, as there was frequent pumping to clear sewage from the hotel.
- 7.4. Christa Joubert said there is a constant smell. She believes the campsite and hotel tanks are full.
- 7.5. Gert Aggenbach said that it is not a matter of pumping once every number of years. The hotel pumps every day and during the night as well. In front of the hotel there is frequently sewerage in the road in front of beach.
- 7.6. Gavin Hau said the hotel site is over bulk. The hotel used to have 37 rooms – now they have almost 70 rooms, and obviously they need extra sewerage facilities. Strangely during the construction phase nothing was done about sewage. Once again “*Mr. Waenhuiskrans*” is using his influence to get away with this.
- 7.7. Gert Aggenbach said that noise at the new generator room that Robert Haarburger built over the building line at the hotel is very loud. He has written to the Municipality about it, but has not yet received an answer.
- 7.8. Colin Bird said that the generator room was built without plans. He has asked the Municipality for information pertaining to this. He will propose to the Municipality that we should measure the noise level of the generator.
- 7.9. Dennis Toens said that he noticed a large pipe running through Kassiesbaai onto the beach and into the sea. He asked whether sewage flowed through the pipe.



- 7.10. Lesley Richardson said that she had enquired from the municipality about the pipe and was informed that it was part of the storm water system. She also said that in a newsletter the Municipality indicated that Bredasdorp and therefore Arniston/Waenhuiskrans will not be getting water from the Theewaterskloof system anymore. She thinks it would be in the interest of residents to know how this will impact on the town, as it could be very difficult to get access to the Theewaterskloof water once that right has been ceded.
- 7.11. Colin Bird said that he would write to the Municipality on the matter.
- 7.12. Colin Bird said that he has had requests for security and crime to be discussed as part of the agenda. He mentioned that the database of Brent (Smiley) Hill on crime in the town was extremely valuable, both to help people and to understand patterns of crime.
- 7.13. Brent Hill suggested that the committee should readdress the possibility of having a police station in Arniston/Waenhuiskrans.
- 7.14. Colin Bird said that the Association had approached the Municipality to have a police station in the town three years ago. Land has been allocated for a police station. The agreement was that the Association offered to mount a campaign to raise funds for the building if the municipality made the land available, but that the police would need to lease and maintain it. Dawie Maritz was in charge of the project and according to him the police have rejected the proposal.
- 7.15. Gavin Hau said he would like to congratulate Brent Hill on a job well done. This was proposed, seconded and carried.
- 7.16. Peter Gird said that members should report anything that is crime related, no matter how petty, to the police. If residents do not report crimes, as happens quite often, the police will not have any statistics on the matter. He suggested that residents should work with the police rather than accuse the police of neglecting matters. He himself once saw that Marine and Coastal Management acted on an incident within five minutes. It is perhaps a good idea to have "crime contact numbers" on signs in the town for people to see. He undertook to get the correct contact details so that it can be included in the next newsletter.
- 7.17. Dennis Toens said that there was an ongoing problem of rubble not being removed at Cliff Street beach. He will write to the Municipality about it.
- 7.18. Colin Bird said Robert Haarburger had submitted items for discussion at the meeting, but he (Colin Bird) did not understand them. He would have liked Robert Haarburger to elaborate, but it appeared that Robert Haarburger had already left the meeting some time earlier. He read the items forwarded by Robert Haarburger: What about membership? Van Heerden letter to Keith Jordaan apology; WACA – similar common objective; WARA – war chest.



- 7.19. There were no further questions or comments on these items
- 7.20. Colin Bird said he wanted to get back to an earlier point about the costs for litigation. So far the costs to the Association are R320 000. The Association had received contributions to date that leave the Association with a small shortfall, which he was confident would be made up by further contributions. *"The way forward to the final hearing comprises one final affidavit and two or more days in court. That will be costly, but what we have ahead is substantially less than we have behind. Accounting for legal costs to date has been separated entirely from general Association funds. Contributions have been made and accepted on the understanding that if the Association wins the case the Association will refund the money pro rata. If the Association loses the case, members will get nothing back. The money that has come in is anonymous. Support for the litigation has been extraordinary. Forty percent of the members of 2007/2008 have made contributions towards the legal costs."*
- 7.21. Gavin Hau reminded the meeting that Andrew Danford, a director of Verreweide, the developer of Erf 599, had reportedly said that *"you better have deep pockets"* if you want to litigate against us (Danford and Robert Haarburger). That statement of Drew Danford is a true reflection and members should be prepared to provide further funds to run with this case for the next round.
- 7.22. Pierre du Preez proposed a vote of thanks to Colin Bird and the committee members. It has been a tough job, but he has confidence in the committee, as they have the interests of the town at heart.
- 7.23. The proposal was accepted by an overwhelming show of hands.
- 7.24. Colin Bird thanked everyone. He also mentioned that the Waenhuiskrans/Arniston Community Development Trust is doing well. Annual general reports are available from Hannes van Zyl, who is the chairperson.
- 7.25. Gavin Hau commented on rubble and refuse on sidewalks which gathers periodically.
- 7.26. Colin Bird said he has received complaints and he had been in contact with the Municipality, who promised to follow it up. He said it is also possible to buy stickers at the campsite at R10 a sticker. The Municipality will take additional garden refuse away provided it carries a sticker
- 7.27. Denise Boers said that there is a proliferation of memorial benches along the coastline. These benches are not always sensitively designed and the places are not always. She would like the Association to get more information on the matter. Who authorizes a new bench? Does it cost money for the right to build a bench? Where does the money go to?



7.28. Bruce Handley said there is a lot of speeding in Syndicate Street. He proposed that the Association asked the Municipality to investigate speed bumps for the street.

7.29. Mike Pitt seconded the proposal.


7.30. Zanny Moore asked that speed bumps should be investigated for First Avenue as well. There were also comments that the speed bump in front of the hotel is not constructed correctly.

7.31. The results of the voting were announced. The results were:

7.31.1 Fredy Marthinus (1); Andrew Danford (1); André Marthinus (2); Cobus Maritz (3); Robert Haarburger (4); Greg Swiel (108) and Vivian Lourens (111)

7.32. The committee for 2009 therefore is: Vivian Lourens, Greg Swiel, Dawie Maritz, Keith Higgins, Peter Hofmeyr, Murray van Heerden, Ebbe Dommissie and Colin Bird.

8. The Meeting ended at 12.45PM

  
CHAIRMAN

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