



# Andamooka Progress and Opal Miners Association Inc.

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

## APOMA Annual General Meeting MINUTES

**DRAFT**

MINUTES:	27 November 2022 1410
	Andamooka Community Hall & Zoom
Minutes taken:	Gill Rowley

Item	Action
<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>Opening of Meeting</b> Independent Chair, Cecilia Woolford welcomed the members and others in attendance to the meeting, noting the pleasing attendance.</p> <p><b>1.1 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / PROXIES</b> Cecilia Woolford – Independent Chair Ian Thompson – APOMA Chair Alison Smoker – Secretary (via phone) Gill Rowley – Treasurer Richard Hawkins – APOMA Maint/Projects Mgr Tanya Simpson – APOMA Admin.</p> <p><b>1.2. Apologies:</b> Richard Webb, Rodney Mitchell, David Roe Simons, Rebecca Duggan, Richard Elliott, Colleen Pickering</p> <p><b>1.3. Lodgement of Proxies:</b> Richard Clifford – proxy Richard Hawkins Heather Gordon – proxy Ben Roberts Griff Smoker – proxy Alison Smoker James Rogers - Proxy Stefan Bilka Brenda Rogers - Proxy Stefan Bilka Dawn Ginn - Proxy Alison Smoker Maurice Ginn - Proxy Alison Smoker Richard Wilkin - Proxy Conan Fahey Rebecca Tayler - Proxy Conan Fahey Total of 9 proxies represented.</p>	
<p><b>2</b></p> <p><b>PRESENTATION OF MINUTES:</b></p> <p><b>2.1. Annual General Meeting, 2021</b> Minutes from the 2020-21 Annual General Meeting held 24th October 2021, presented for adoption. Call for business arising – nil.</p> <p>Motion: That the minutes of the APOMA Annual General Meeting for the 2020-21 financial year are adopted as presented.</p> <p>Moved K Wilby 2 nd L Rowley</p>	

	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Carried by show of hands</b></p> <p><b>2.2. General Meetings 2021-22</b>  2.2.1. Minutes presented for adoption.  CW – Advised the meeting that the draft minutes have been sequentially presented in total at member &amp; community meetings throughout 2021-22 to allow for corrections, reporting and for business arising.  No further business arising.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Member Meeting held 20 November 21</li> <li>• Open Member Meeting held 20 March 2022</li> <li>• Open Member Meeting held 14 June 2022</li> </ul> <p>Motion: that the minutes of APOMA General Meetings for the 2021-22 financial year are adopted as presented.</p> <p>Moved K Wilby 2 nd : L Rowley</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Carried by show of hands</b></p>	
3.1	<p><b>PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>3.1. Chair Report</b>  Ian Thompson referred to his written message published in the Annual Report and addressed the meeting on his retirement from the committee, thanking members and specific persons for their assistance and support during his term of office. Ian advised members that he would undertake a hand-over role working with the new committee for the next few months.</p> <p>C Woolford called for a vote of thanks for Ian, highlighting his excellent leadership, hard work and dedicated commitment for a term spanning over five years, taking APOMA and the town through a time of change, challenge, and great progress. Responded to with enthusiasm from the floor.</p> <p><b>3.2. Treasurers Report.</b>  G Rowley drew attention to her report and the audited balance sheet in the Annual Report and explained some of the changes made to expand headings within the chart of accounts to cater for new developments, programs and significant grants received, in order to make reporting and managing the finances clearer and more effective. The floor was opened to questions directed through the Chair. GR invited any members that would like clarification around financials to make a time with her at the office to discuss their query. Alternatively, request via email.</p> <p><b>3.3 Presentation of the Financial Statements</b>  There being no questions from the floor, the Audited Financial Statements were presented for adoption.</p> <p>Motion: That the audited financial statements for APOMA for the year commencing 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, are adopted as presented.  Moved: Kath Wilby 2 nd : Fiona Morris</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Carried by show of hands</b></p> <p><b>3.4 Projects and Maintenance Report.</b>  Richard Hawkins drew attention to the comprehensive projects and maintenance report in the Annual Report and opened the floor to any questions.</p>	

	<p>3.4.1. Greta Howard – Question re town water quality and testing referring to an issue she is experiencing that may be related to the water. RH responded that town water underwent regular water testing and that there have been no problems encountered in that regard to date.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> A test of her tank water will be carried out early 2023.</p>	<p>A test of her tank water will be carried out early 2023.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p><b>ADOPTION OF ANNUAL REPORTS</b></p> <p>There being no further questions from the floor, CW called for adoption of the annual reports by members.</p> <p>Motion: That the Annual Reports as presented are adopted.  Moved: K Wilby 2nd: Fiona Morris</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Carried</b> by show of hands.</p>	
<p>5</p>	<p><b>ELECTIONS</b></p> <p><b>5.1. Committee Members not due for retirement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rodney Mitchell</li> </ul> <p><b>5.2. Committee Members re-standing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Richard Clifford</li> <li>• Alison Smoker</li> <li>• Gill Rowley</li> </ul> <p>CW declared that there being no nominations received as at the close off date, that these committee members are duly appointed for a new term unopposed.</p> <p><b>5.3. Nominations</b></p> <p>CW drew the members attention to five nominations that had been lodged after the close off date, but which had eligible candidates and nominators. It was put to the members that as six open positions remained for committee, and if there is no objection, with the permission of the members, these nominations could be treated as nominations from the floor and duly voted on.</p> <p>With the members agreement the following nominees were put forward for appointment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Roe Simons nominated: Julie Christie Seconded: Peter Sach  Appointed by show of hands</li> <li>• Ben Roberts nominated: Julie Christie Seconded: Beverley Burge  Appointed by show of hands</li> <li>• Rose Williams nominated: Peter Sach Seconded: Julie Christie  Appointed by show of hands</li> <li>• John Smirnios nominated: Peter Sach Seconded: Julie Christie  Appointed by show of hands</li> <li>• Peter Sach nominated: Peter Taubers Seconded: Margot Duke  Appointed by show of hands</li> </ul>	

	<p>CW declared the five nominees as committee members duly appointed by member vote. This left one remaining position which she suggested that unless there were any further nominations put from the floor, this could be left for the new committee to fill at their discretion once they had settled the committee in the new year. CW opened the floor to nominations. Member Cal Prohasky declared his interest in taking a position on the committee. GW acting for Secretary, AS (in attendance by phone), advised that this new member was not eligible for nomination as at the date of the meeting.</p> <p>CW pointed out that once the three months as a new member was completed it would make the member eligible for a position on the committee should one be offered during 2023. There being no further nominations, CW declared the committee and welcomed the new members, saying that she looked forward to working with the new committee in the new year to assist and oversee due process.</p> <p><b>5.2. Appointment of Auditor</b>  CW put forward that SGK Accounts, auditors 2020-21 and 2021-22 have done an excellent job and have also made themselves available throughout the year for advice and assistance to the treasurer. Other suggestions were called from the floor. There being no suggestions or objections from the floor, the motion for appointment was put.</p> <p>Motion: That SGK Accountants are appointed as auditors for the APOMA 2022-23 financial year.</p> <p>Moved: A Smoker 2 nd : J Wilby</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Carried</b> by show of hands</p> <p><b>5.3. Appointment of Public Officer</b>  CW opened the floor for nominations for Public Officer advising that Katalin Wilby had done a good job in this position since her appointment in October 2021, and was willing to be nominated again in 2022. No further nominations were put from the floor. KW acknowledged her willingness to take up the position for a further term.</p> <p>Motion: That Katalin Wilby is appointed public officer for APOMA for the 2022/23 term.</p> <p>Moved: Lara Lukich 2 nd : Fiona Morris</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried by show of hands</p>	
6	General Business	
	<p><b>6.1. AES</b>  CW, acting on a request from Andamooka Emergency Services (AES), invited John West (CFS) to take the floor.</p> <p>John outlined the real danger of closure facing the AES – being combined SES and CFS, which would primarily be due to the waning numbers of volunteer</p>	

	<p>personnel, a situation further exacerbated by the pending retirement of long-standing senior members.</p> <p>There is now an urgent need for new volunteers to take up vital roles within the SES /CFS to ensure that there remain sufficient numbers to retain a viable unit in Andamooka.</p> <p>JW reminded those present that local presence ensures speedy attention to emergencies including fires in homes, or businesses and community facilities, and to urgent call outs after extreme weather events. Also, to respond to out of town rescues, often being inexperienced visitors and tourists who have become lost, or with broken down or bogged vehicles.</p> <p>He urged the members to either join the AES or to encourage others they know to do this, so that we can staff and retain local emergency services within the town.</p>	
	<p><b>6.2 Correspondence</b>  CW declared that member C Fahey had forwarded a list of items for committee attention, to which she had responded that this would be referred to the incoming committee for their attention. <b>Noted.</b></p>	
	<p><b>6.3 Old Church Community Centre</b>  K Wilby requested that the Old Church Community Centre, be itemised in general business for discussion at the next general meeting. <b>Noted.</b></p>	
7	<p><b>Meeting Closure</b>  There being no further business the meeting closed at 2.45pm.</p>	