

ROOIELS RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT PRINGLE BAY COMMUNITY HALL

ON 30 DECEMBER 2022

The minutes are reported in the order in which the matters were discussed.

1. ATTENDEES

The AGM was attended in person and on Zoom by 56 people. All the documentation presented are available on the [RERA AGM webpage](#).

There were apologies from Ian and Stephanie Milne, Andries and Madeleine Brink, Mary-Anne Simpson and Pierre and Eneth Kruger.

A minute's silence was held in memory of those we lost during the year: Dick Lockley, Warno Steenkamp, Hettie Claassens, Michael Harrison and Duncan Hiles.

2. WARD COUNCILLOR

Ms. Theresa Els addresses the meeting.

She promises to see the acceptance of the Hangklip Villages Lighting Overlay Zone through.

The Councillor noted that the in-migration to Wards 9 and 10 has meant that that the Kleinmond administration could not keep up with the number of building plans approved. Approval of plans has risen as follows:

2020 65;

2021 100;

2022 162.

She also draws the attention that the composition of Ward 10, consisting of 9 900 people from Rooiels, Pringle Bay, Betty's Bay, Mooiuitsig and Overhills results in diverse and differing needs that need to be addressed at the same ward meetings.

Councillor Els requests that the areas around water meters be cleared sufficiently to allow all meters to be read. A material number of meters are not read regularly due to inaccessibility.

She also recognizes that the provision of services has not kept pace for our area due to the in-migration numbers.

3. MINUTES OF THE 2021 AGM Held on 23 November 2021 were circulated and are adopted.



4. FINANCIAL REPORT was presented and questions, especially on the new layout, were responded to by the Treasurer. It is noted that the new presentation is excellent.

5. IMPROVING THE OF MEMBERS NUMBER. (2022 =105; 2021 = 85)

The number of members as for the Rooiels Security Association of 165 should be taken as the lead for RERA to strive to. RERA members are requested to urge their neighbours and newcomers to become members.

The new committee is requested to review the 2023 membership fee and to see which steps can be taken to increase our very important membership number.

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR

The report was published in the Breeze. It is amplified at the AGM with a number of slides, which will also be published on the RE website. Due to the impending loadshedding during the RE Conservancy AGM, the chairperson's presentation is of necessity brief.

Approaches to the OM about service delivery problems were, and should continue to be done by property owners directly. This facilitates record-keeping and follow-up by the OM.

The proposed Rooiels Conservation Overlay Zone (RECOZ) was an important topic in 2022 and feedback will be provided to the the RE community.

A number of issues with the Municipal Planning Tribunal and as well as other important issues have been brought under the attention of the mayor and other key persons at a special joint meeting on 2 November 2022 together with the Pringle Bay Ratepayers' Association. The mayor has yet to respond to the detailed memorandum which was submitted. The agenda for the meeting is included in the slides which are presented.

A number of engagements (in conjunction with Pringle Bay and 9 civic associations of the area) with the OM have taken place and will continue in the new year about the new plot clearing policy and the need to have a special conservation-based policy formulated for the Hangklip Villages.

There were 109 responses to a RERA survey administered in December 2022 about the continued conservation of fynbos in the town and street reserves. An overwhelming number of responses were in favour of conserving the fynbos in RE. Only a very small number of people were in favour of cutting down fynbos to 500mm as per the new OM policy document.

RE owners are again encouraged to maintain their street reserves in a natural condition.

On a privately submitted draft new constitution for RERA, there was an enormous number of responses. Time did not allow for the proposal to be brought forward this year.

RERA has been particularly careful in the past year with the required regular report back to all available RE email addresses and with a mid-year ward report-back meeting, irrespective of membership of RERA, about matters discussed at the Ward 10 Committee meetings.

The many unnamed volunteers that have served RE during the past year are especially thanked.



7. EXCO FOR 2023 Elected

The new exco is:

Tom Baigrie

Eldie Brink

Tracy Cronje

Achim Halpaap

Lesley Lundie

Andre Roothman

Piet van Rensburg

8. MATTERS SUBMITTED FOR DISCUSSION AND MOTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

A private motivation for the need of a baboon management plan for RE with an early reporting system so as to prevent problematic baboon interaction, was presented.

The meeting appreciated the superb Breeze and commended the editor and the outgoing committee for their service.

The AGM reaffirmed the importance of retaining Rooiels as natural as possible and called on the new committee to continue to protect Rooiels and to be open and inclusive.

Anuta Scholtz and Kay Leresche, who are retiring from the Committee, are sincerely thanked.

9. THE MEETING ADJOURNS

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Signed as Accepted by 

on 26/01/2023 at the RERA AGM held in the Pringle Bay Community Hall.