Notes on RERA activities in run up to 5 March meeting

These are notes of actions and decisions taken in January and February that have not been covered in detail at the 5th March Meeting.

Handover – The equipment handed over by RERA is being stored by Kay Leresche except for the Hack and Garden equipment which is in a store with Mark Butler. The keys had been collected by Anuta and she will prepare a comprehensive inventory. It was noted that there had not yet been any handover of the RERA Exco Minutes from 2021. The other documentation box that had been handed over was given to Eldie Brink (as Secretary). Lesley Lundie reported that she had been meeting with Ivan Becker who was being very cooperative and had received the financial records available.

Ian Lewis advised that REC had the handover but is still in the process of getting handover of some of the equipment and materials

Babco - Achim has been approached by REC and has promised to send a draft finalized report from the Babco Indaba.

RECOZ – this has been sent to Mr Kuchar, OM, with a request to advise on the process. Follow up email will be sent as no reply received yet.

New committee and communication details sent to Overstrand Municipal Manager and Department Heads, Kleinmond office and to the Ward 10 Councillor as well as to the Exco Committees in neighbouring villages. It was decided that we will cooperate closely with the other two villages' organisations but would only start looking at formal co-ordination mechanisms when the Exco is more familiar with the situation.

Anemone paving, speed calming measures and stormwater drainage – volunteer input was received and this advice also discussed in a meeting with Mr. Denovan van Rhodie, the Kleinmond Operations Manager. He said that the OM are still going to pave Anemone within the current budget. However, he also indicated

that OM were under extreme pressure especially on the storm water drains. Houses in lower lying areas have come under increasing pressure with the good rainy seasons and because of all the intensive development altering underground water courses and the slow build up in the height of the roads.

Breeze - Dine van Zyl was approached personally and indicated she is not available to edit the Breeze and welcomed the appointment of a new editor. Willie du Plooy has kindly agreed to take on the task of compiling and editing the Breeze.

NPO status is held over to later in the year but in the meantime more feedback on the non-compliant status and the costs involved should be discussed with Mark Butler.

R44 and a traffic calming circle at Porter Drive entrance – the issue was discussed but will be held over. RERA may approach Tracy Cronje to join their committee and see if she would be interested in pursuing the issue. It was agreed that both RERA and REC should provide inputs and support to the R44 calming issue and this was to the advantage of both residents in Klein Rooiels as well as the wildlife crossing the road. Reference was made to the documentation that exists on the website, with the Link to be provided to the person taking this forward.

Treasurers Report

The ledgers and cash book have been set up. Reconciliation of the accounts has raised some anomalies which are being addressed with input from Ivan. There have been various accounts still to be paid from expenditures at the end of 2021 but these are primarily for REC. The membership lists are being set up and integrated into the Mailing lists.

Ward Committee: Anuta attended a meeting with the Mayor on water pipes and pipe replacement and water infrastructure and the Ward Committee meeting on 25th January. Kay Leresche, as alternate, attended the Ward Committee meeting on 15th February. RERA has sent out Mailchimps with information to all Rooiels residents on the address list with feedback on these meetings. They are also available on the website under RERA News. The official OM Minutes of the Ward Committee meeting on 25th January have been posted on the Rooiels website. The official minutes for the meeting of 15th February have not yet been received and will be posted when they are.

Communications: Assistance with establishing the Mailchimp lists and communication system has been put in place. In January the email addresses were handed over and a system for signing up to the Rooiels mailing lists established. This gives respondents an opportunity to indicate their interests so that they do not receive emails on topics they have no interest in. It also establishes a system that will allow for members of either RERA or REC to be contacted separately on their respective organization issues.

A Mailchimp was sent out requesting people to pay their membership subscriptions and update their profiles.

Comments on Policy Documents – as per Ward Feedback given

Hack and Gardens – Anuta has been convening the Hack and there has been a successful turn out with 20 attending in March. She will continue to support the Hack but it will now be taken over fully by REC from April. The Gardens will be handled by RERA as being part of the built area in Rooiels. Watering has been handed over by Fiona and weeding has been done. There will not be any planting to replace the destroyed portions until the rainy season. New planting will be with locally indigenous plants. As needed a gardener will be hired for more comprehensive weeding.

Follow up on building and development –RERA will not take any direct action but will advise authorities where there is suspected illegal activity and will continue to monitor the situation and of what the various authorities are doing.

On a number of occasions there have been problems with builders or contractors spilling over onto the roads or on the fynbos etc. Each time this is noticed, or brought to RERA attention, if the contractor is available on site, they are engaged. If they are not on site, the owner of the Erf is contacted.

Other –dunes, bins and maintenance, road reserves. Two baboon bins have had their locks replaced by a volunteer. The dunes are currently in reasonable condition and will continue to be monitored in winter.