MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE QUEEN MARY BOTANIC GARDENS COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2018

PRESENT:

Dorothy Baldwin (CWA)
Rosalind Small (Friends of QMG)
Lynne Box (Friends Of QMG)
Jason Abbott (Parks & Gardens)(Secretary)
Margaret Mc Cahon (CWA)
Joanne Hamilton (Chairperson)(Friends of QMG)
Dorothy Patton (Community)
John Hunt (Parks & Gardens Cordindinator)

1. **OPEN MEETING:** The Chair declared the meeting open.

2. **APOLOGIES:** Ella Ebery,lindee Parry

3. **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST & DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

   Nil

4. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES:**

   'That the minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 25th July as circulated be adopted.'

   Moved: J Abbott
   Seconded: L Box **Carried**

5.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

5.1 No further information from Rotary has been received regarding grant application.

5.2 LED lights have been purchased.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Two letters received from Maurie and Pat Wood objecting to the planting of new hedges and height of established hedge.

7. REPORTS:

7.1 Lyn reported that help is needed for seniors day, cakes and slices, on the 9th of October.

7.2 Jason reported that some mulching had been done around established trees to improve tree health.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS:

8.1 The inward correspondence was discussed and also the current and future hedge planting.

8.2 John Hunt spoke to the committee about their desires and what they would like to achieve in the restoration of the gradens. He also spoke on the difference between public open spaces and public gardens. If the committees desire is to retain and return the hedges to other areas that it would provide a visual amenity and back drop,improve safety along inkerman and millet street, soften the outlook and add scope for future plantings.

8.3 The committee voted to reduce the height of the hedge along Mc Mahon Millett street to 1.2 meters (four feet)

8.4 The committee also decided to proceed with the hedge of different species to the current hedge along the eastern corner and Inkerman street, wich is also to be maintained at 1.2 meters.

8.5 List of desired works for the next twelve months to be decided at an onsite meeting in the gardens on the 8th of October at 10 o,clock. The list of works will be forwarded onto John Hunt who will submit to council who will give clarity on what is physically and financially achievable.

8.6 Ros is going to submit a grant application to the wind farm on behalf of the friends for semi mature or established trees for the eastern corner.

8.7 John spoke about Bunya tree report from Arbor plan,the decling health of the Bunya and remidal works to improve it's health, stop bird browsing and also implement the same practices to other trees in the gardens.

9. NEXT MEETING: AGM 21.11.2018 at Jo Hamiltons residence.
5-30 SHARED TEA

10. CLOSE:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE QUEEN MARY BOTANIC GARDENS COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2018

PRESENT:

Dorothy Baldwin (CWA)
Rosalind Small (Friends of QMG)
Lynne Box (Friends Of QMG)
Jason Abbott (Parks & Gardens)(Secretary)
Margaret Mc Cahon (CWA)
Joanne Hamilton (Chairperson)(Friends of QMG)
Dorothy Patton (Community)
Len Reid (Friends of QMG)
Bev Reid (Historical Society)

1. **OPEN MEETING:** The Chair declared the meeting open.

2. **APOLOGIES:** Ella Ebery,lindee Parry,Flora Mc Rae

3. **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST & DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

   Nil

4. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES:**

   'That the minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 19th September as circulated be adopted.'

   Moved: J Abbott
   Seconded: L Box **Carried**

5.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

5.1 No further information from Rotary has been received regarding grant application.

5.2 LED lights have been purchased.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Two letters received from Maurie and Pat Wood objecting to the planting of new hedges and height of established hedge.

7. REPORTS: Nil

8. GENERAL BUSINESS:

8.1 Jason to speak to Mary Scully governance officer on how to proceed with the petition.

8.2 Find out about the funding for the eastern corner and what it is going to be used for. Speak to John hunt and Trenton Fithall.

8.3 Ruth Dalton has asked for the fountains lights to be repaired. Shane Birthisle has been contacted to do the job.

8.4 Find out about installation of security cameras. Viability,costs,legal requirements.

9. NEXT MEETING: 20-3-2019 St Arnaud Town Hall

10. CLOSE:

The Meeting closed at 10.20PM

Confirmed .....

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE QUEEN MARY GARDENS COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 29th NOVEMBER, 2018, AT 9.30 AM AT DABBLING DUCK CAFE NAPIER ST

PRESENT: J.Hamilton,D.Patton, R.Small,L.Reid,B.Ried,L.Box,J.Hamilton,M Mc Cahon ,D.Baldwin,J.Abbott.

1. OPEN MEETING:

J Hamilton welcomed everyone, and declared the meeting open.

APOLOGIES: Flora Mc Rae,Ella Ebery,Lindee Parry

CARRIED

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Moved J Abbott
Seconded L Box

"That the minutes of the Meeting held on 15th November 2017 as circulated be confirmed.

CARRIED

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES: Nil

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jo Hamilton read her report to the meeting.

6. NOMINATION OF OFFICE BEARERS:

All positions were declared vacant nominations as follows:

L Box nominated Jo Hamilton as President. The Committee was unanimously in favour, and she was elected.

Jo Hamilton nominated Len Ried. as Vice President. The Committee was unanimously in favour, and she was elected.

Margaret Mc Cahon nominated Jason Abbott. as Secretary. The Committee was unanimously in favour, and he was re-elected.

7. CLOSE:

The Annual General Meeting was declared closed at 9.50AM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE QUEEN MARY BOTANIC GARDENS COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20th MARCH 2019

PRESENT:

Dorothy Baldwin (CWA)
Rosalind Small (Friends of QMG)
Lynne Box (Friends Of QMG)
Jason Abbott (Parks & Gardens)(Secretary)
Margaret Mc Cahon (CWA)
Joanne Hamilton (Chairperson)(Friends of QMG)
Dorothy Patton (Community)
Cr Tony Driscoll

1. OPEN MEETING: The Chair declared the meeting open.

2. APOLOGIES: Ella Ebery,lindee Parry,Flora Mc Rae

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST & DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES:

'That the minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 19th September as circulated be adopted.'

Moved: J Abbott
Seconded: D Patton **Carried**

5.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

5.1 Shane Birthisel has contracted to repair fountain lights.

5.2 The committee has to acknowledged and tabled the petition received from Maurie and Pat Wood. Jo has responded by letter and Jason,Jo and Ros have met with them personally in regards to the petition.

5.3 Funding has been allocated to the Eastern corner which will be acquitted by September. Friends maybe able to help financially to ensure completion of the project.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Nil

7. **REPORTS:** Nil

8. **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

8.1 Jason,Jo and Ros met with Maurie and Pat Wood in the gardens to address their correspondence and petition about the planting of hedges in the gardens. All points of view were put forward by both parties as to the pros and cons of the hedge. This was relayed to the committee who have decided to stay with their original decision as voted for in general business at the September meeting 2018. GB item 8.3 The committee voted to reduce the height of the hedge along Mc Mahon and Millet street to 1.2 meters (four feet). GB item 8.4 The committee also decided to proceed with the hedge along the eastern corner and Inkerman street which is also to be maintained at 1.2 meters.

8.2 Flora Mc Rae has resigned from the committee due to ill health. The committee will send a card thanking her for her years of service.

8.3 Two new members needed to replace Eric Walker and Flora Mc rae.

8.4 Wind farm grant of $3050 dollars for trees on eastern corner.

8.5 No gala day this year, Steps at rear of Mechanics hall have been installed. Unable to contact mechanics president re: steps.

8.6 Young farmers asked if the info board in the QMG was being moved. It is staying for the foreseeable future may be moved if a better site can be found.

8.7 Info board at pioneer park needs maintenance on lettering.

9. **NEXT MEETING: 15-2019 St Arnaud Town Hall**

10. **CLOSE:**

The Meeting closed at 6.40PM

Confirmed .....