

MINUTES GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 20th JUNE 2011
PORT DOUGLAS COMMUNITY HALL, 6.30pm

Apologies

Julia Hazel

Attendance

Jill Bickford
Sally Sutherland
Janet McBain
Neil McBain
Julie Norman
Richard Koser
Bella Baxter
John Scotese?
Tiffany Lynn

Incoming/Outgoing Correspondence

1. Jill has written to Julia Leu asking for help to find a place to store LIPS documents. Richard Koser said there might be space in the gazette storage facility but there would be a fee for access.
2. Jill wrote to Julia Hazel, who would like funds for her turtle research at Low Isles (\$992 + \$2000 odd for turtle monitors), saying LIPS funding was really for the island maintenance. Members were asked to spread the word to corporate bodies.
3. Ray Legg (PD Masterplan Advisory Committee) wrote wanting LIPS details.

Expenditure/Financial matters

Tax Invoice for LMAC & GBRMPA for \$2000 contribution to the cost of the Inlet Water Monitoring Project.

Current a/c	Cheque account	\$7,193
	Old account	9.30
	Term deposit	\$11,000
	2 nd Term deposit	\$5,670

Jill noted \$90 in Carnivale Film night donations.

There was discussion about the need for five new mattresses, and some linen for the volunteer's cottage on Low isles. Jan McBain to research prices.

New members June/July

Individual memberships

Tiffany Lynn, Ana Giraldo, Janet McBain, Neil McBain, Sandra Shaw, Jim Shaw.

Family membership

Nicole Burnat & family

New postal Address

New postal address as P.O. Box 557 Port Douglas noted.

General business

Seachange project

Julie Norman reported on Noel Weares proposal for the sugar Wharf. Jill reported on the phone call with Noel, committing LIPS to the project. She requested a professional curator.

Patrick Lightharts resignation as secretary

Patrick has a new job in Weipa and Tanja will be joining him in August. LIPS urgently need a secretary for August/September. Richard said one of his colleagues had written to LIPS offering to be secretary on a casual basis (Lisa Dowling).

Douglas Shire Sustainability Group

This group sent a proposal for LIPS to join in applying for a grant for the revegetation on the Dixon Inlet. Unfortunately, they applied on their own, but are looking for LIPS volunteers to help with the mangrove replanting.

Barge to Low isles

Rick & Alex are waiting for suitable weather for the barge to go to Low isles. We want to send the new mattresses etc over on it. A new fridge is also required. Jill will make enquiries re the fridge.

Island Signs

The new signs for Low isles have been done by GBRMPA. We don't know how much of our input they have heeded. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Coastcare Signs

GBRMPA have also redone our Coastcare signs and Cairns Council has agreed to erect them for us.

LIPS BBQ

We need someone to store the BBQ for us. Preferably someone in Port Douglas where it is easily accessible for LIPS BBQ's. Tanja & Patrick have been storing it but obviously can't do so any more.

Carnivale Film Festival

Jill noted very successful showings at the Sugar Wharf.

LIPS AGM will be 19 September. Please put the date in your diary.

Meeting closed at 7.50pm