

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
ARTESIAN BORE WATER USERS ASSOCIATION OF NSW INC.
HELD AT THE CROSSING THEATRE, NARRABRI ON 28th May 2015

COMMENCING AT 11:AM

PRESENT: Kevin Duncan, Anne Kennedy, Sonya Marshall, Karen Nicholson, Geoff Nicholson, Tony Pickard, Brian Hanigan, Janet Baylis, Bill Moore, Brian McMullen, Bill Yates, Brian & Sue Lees Bill & Shona McCumstie. Steve Cheal – Office of Water, Joan McNaughton and Karen Thurston.

APOLOGIES: Neil Kennedy, Mick Marshall, Brian Hanigan, Jim Matchett.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Secretary, Joan McNaughton, read the Minutes of the previous meeting. Moved Tony Pickard, seconded by Sonya Marshall, that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. **CARRIED**

PRESIDENT: Anne Kennedy welcomed all present and thanked them for attending the meeting and welcomed our guest speakers. Anne asked those present if they would accept Kevin Duncan to act as Chairman for the meeting and this was accepted.

CHAIRMAN: Kevin Duncan addressed the meeting and thanked those present for attending.

MOTION:- Moved by Bill Yates that expenditure for Soil Futures Consulting P/L of \$15,000.00 be accepted. This was seconded by Sonya Marshall.

CARRIED

PRESIDENTS

REPORT: Anne Kennedy spoke widely on work she has done throughout the year.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report for the past year was read by the Secretary, Joan McNaughton. Income for the year ending 31st December 2014 was \$22,140.23 and the expenditure was \$41,442.58. Balance all accounts \$37,566.59.

MOTION: Moved by Janet Baylis, seconded by Anne Kennedy, that the finance report for the year ending 31st December 2014 be accepted. **CARRIED**

AUDITOR'S REPORT: The Auditor's report was read by the secretary.

MOTION: Moved by Joan McNaughton, seconded by Anne Kennedy, that the Auditor be retained for the next financial year. **CARRIED**

CORRESPONDENCE: On agreement all correspondence was tabled for all those to read at their leisure.

MOTION: Moved by Geoff Nicholson, seconded by Anne Kennedy that the correspondence be accepted. **CARRIED**

CHAIRMAN: It was declared by the Chairman, Kevin Duncan that all positions were now vacant and called for the election of a President and Executive Committee.

PRESIDENT/CHAIRMAN

MOTION: Moved by Geoff Nicholson, seconded by Bill McCumstie that Anne Kennedy continue with the role of president/Chairman - Anne Kennedy accepted the position. **UNANIMOUS**

VICE PRESIDENT:

Moved by Anne Kennedy, seconded by Sonya Marshall that Geoff Nicolson continue with the position as Vice President. Geoff Nicolson accepted the position.

UNANIMOUS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVES:

MOTION:

It was moved by Brian Lees, and seconded by Anne Kennedy that the executive committee and representatives remain the same as last year
North: David Officer and John Oats.

South: Geoff Nicholson and Neil Kennedy.

East: Brian McMullan, and Sonya Marshall.

West: Bill McCumstie, and Brian Lees.

Private Bores: Representatives – Anne Kennedy and Tony Pickard.

CARRIED

SECRETARY/TREASURER/PUBLIC OFFICER

MOTION:

It was moved by Sonya Marshall, and seconded by Geoff Nicholson that J & K McNaughton, continue to act in these positions and a fee of \$25 per hour to remain.

CARRIED

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

MOTION:

It was moved by Anne Kennedy, seconded by Geoff Nicholson that membership fees for each Trust remain at \$100.00 and the fees for Private Bores be \$50.00. GST to be added to each.

CARRIED

ADVISERS:

Moved by Brian McMullin seconded by Janet Baylis that Kevin Duncan and Tony Hall remain appointed as advisers for the ABWUA.

CARRIED

Anne Kennedy:- Anne talked about baseline testing and provided some estimates of cost per test.

It was suggested that Geoff obtain water test results from Walgett Council and Anne obtain water test results from Coonamble Council.

Anne to approach government bodies to have questions answered that have been presented before.

This was moved by Sonya and seconded by Janet Baylis.

Anne to get written report from Steve so that this information can be put forward when she goes to Sydney. Anne to thank Steve personally for his hard work and all that he has done.

Steve Cheal: report attached

VENUE FOR NEXT YEARS AGM: Secretary asked those present for suggestions on a venue for next year's AGM. It was agreed by all those present that the Crossing Theatre was a great place to hold meetings and wished it to be there again next year.

CARRIED

MEETING CLOSED AT 3.00pm.

President/Chairman..... Secretary