



CLAREMONT YACHT CLUB INC.

HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

7.30PM THURSDAY 16 MARCH 2017

BAYVIEW ROOM

MINUTES



1. REGISTRATION OF FINANCIAL VOTING MEMBERS

Members completed the attendance register prior to the opening of the meeting

2. MEETING OPENED

The Commodore welcomed Members and checked that sufficient Members were present, and advised that a quorum had been achieved and the meeting was opened at 7.35 pm.

The Commodore acknowledged the Life Members, Committee and Past Flag Officers.

3. ATTENDANCE

Chair

David Bovell

Commodore

Committee Members

Bill MacLeod

Vice Commodore

Rob Boykett

Rear Commodore Sail

Peter Wilkinson

Rear Commodore Power

Walter Reeves

Rear Commodore Dinghy

John Olsen

Treasurer

Peter Stanley

General Committee

Justin Congdon

General Committee

Darren Chatfield

General Committee

CYC Members

Steve Scott

Clive Annear

Arthur Poland

Peter Boykett

Michael Della-Posta

Ann Caddick

Mark Thomas

Paul Murphy

Wally Giles

Phil Judge

Ian McLernon

Kevin Kiddey

Jim Thorogood

Arthur Dixon

Ed Ryan

Bruce McElhinney

Geoff Shute

Ric Bartlett

Cam Mardardy

John Vlahos

Kingsley Porter

Geoff Congdon

Paul Hodgson

4. APOLOGIES

Hugh Cook

Ron Congdon

Sandy Moyle

Bob Grieve

Bill Harding

Tony Bovell

Kim Colero

Paul Dowding

Chas Milner

Craig Stewart

Peter Webb

Gray Marshall

Peter Browne

Matthew Pearce

5. APPOINTEMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

- 5.1** The Commodore sought Members to act as scrutineers for the meeting, to count votes. Arthur Poland and Paul Murphy agreed to act as scrutineers and manage any absentee votes if required during the meeting

6. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 15 SEPTEMBER 2016

- 6.1** The Commodore asked Members if there were any comments or amendments to these Minutes. No comments or amendments were raised.

MOTION: That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 15 September 2017 be accepted as a true and correct record.

MOVED: M Saunders

SECONDED: P Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

7. COMMODORE'S REPORT

- 7.1** The Commodore spoke to his report and highlighted that the club continued the program of improvements, as well as tackling the debt reduction, and these were continuing with energy and enthusiasm with help from the Committee members and the many volunteers

The Commodore also re affirmed that hospitality remained a priority at the club

The Commodore provided further information on the proposed appointment of a general manager and also explained in more detail the actions to rectify the damage to the H jetty piles as a result of broken welds, and assured members that there had a contingency had been included in the financial statements to cover this, if needed.

The Commodore also spoke to the loan and the recent loan repayment and the plans for further repayments in the future. Finally he reminded members of recent community activities undertaken by the club

The Commodore then asked for a member to move and second the motion to accept the Commodore's report.

MOVED: A Caddick

SECONDED: G Congdon

MOTION CARRIED

8. TREASURER'S REPORT & FINANCIAL REPORT

- 8.1** The Treasurer then spoke to his report, highlighting that general trading for the Bar and restaurant was improving, with only a small deficit year to date, and the balance sheet had improved over the period.

The Treasurer also pointed out a discrepancy in the report, the Term loan stands at \$1.754 Million, not \$1.54 Million as indicated in the report.

Finally the Treasurer advised that as the Financial Statements had not been distributed in sufficient time before the meeting, they could not be officially accepted at the meeting. After discussion, the Commodore asked the member to move that the Treasurer's report be noted and the Financials noted rather than be accepted at this time

The Commodore asked if the Treasurer's report could be noted.

MOVED: P Boycott

SECONDED: K Kiddy

MOTION CARRIED

9. CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS A, B and C

9.1 Motion to Replace the Constitution with the Model Rules

Prior to asking Steve Scott to speak to his motion, the Commodore reminded members that this matter needed a vote of 75% to pass

The Commodore then asked Steve Scott to propose this motion and to speak to it. Steve Scott did so and reminded the Club that there was a legislative and legal requirement to adopt the new constitution, and it was a complex task, but it was a requirement and he asked the members to move more quickly on the matter and approve this motion so the work could be started

There was general discussion on the motion, and the Commodore asked for other members to speak to or against the motion.

Clive Annear then asked to address the meeting on this matter with a presentation. Clive Annear spoke to his presentation thanking the members involved, especially Steve Scott for his detailed work on the matter, but also asking for some further time to allow the General Committee to consider this important matter. He advised his view was to vote against the motion

Peter Boycott asked if the motion was not passed at this meeting would there be sufficient time to adopt the new constitution. The Commodore advised that there was sufficient time.

Kingsley Porter then spoke to the motion, re affirming what Steve Scott had said, but also urging the club to move as soon as it can. Kingsley Porter advised he still had concerns about the new Model Rules / Constitution and the complexity, but if the club adopted the new constitution now, and perhaps arranged a working party to then commence work on amendments, this would speed up the process

The Commodore then advised members that the General Committee needed more time to consider the new constitution matter and asked the members to allow more time for this process. The Commodore also advised that the General Committee would schedule a Special meeting to address the matter of the Constitution in the future.

Geoff Congdon then spoke to the meeting, recommending the members support the Commodore's and the General Committee's views and not agree to / not support this motion at this time.

Steve Scott then asked to again speak to the motion, advising that the proposed new constitution complies with the act and that if adopted, could be further clarified and made more specific to the Club by using other mechanisms, such as by laws and rules

The Commodore then thanked all members for their contributions and advised that the Motion would be put to the meeting and voting would be called for. There were 7 votes for and 20 against

Motion Defeated

9.2 Motion to Remove Membership Discount and Loyalty Bonus Schemes and replace them with different arrangements

The Commodore asked Steve Scott to speak to this motion

Steve Scott spoke to the motion, explaining his reasons for the motion and other background to the motion and urged members to consider these matters and vote for the motion

There was some discussion following and various clarifications on the details of the motion

The Commodore then thanked all members for their contributions and advised that the Motion would be put to the meeting and voting would be called for.

Steve Scott then advised he meeting that he would withdraw his motion, and that voting would not be needed

Motion Withdrawn

9.3 Motion to Replace the existing Car Park Control and Issuance on Membership card Arrangements and replace them with different arrangements

The Commodore asked Steve Scott to speak to this motion

Steve Scott spoke to the motion, explaining his reasons for the motion and other background to the motion and urged members to consider these matters and vote for the motion

The Commodore then explained that the new car park arrangements had been put in place 12 months ago and they were working, but there was the need to refine the system, and adjustments would be made to refine the system over time

There was some further discussion following and various clarifications on the details of the motion

The Commodore then thanked all members for their contributions and advised that the Motion would be put to the meeting and voting would be called for. There were 2 votes for and 25 votes against the motion

Motion Defeated

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 The Commodore then asked if there was any General Business

A Member recommended the General Committee reconsider the bar tab option, as having a tab open for the evening was better than having to open and close every transaction. The Commodore said that the General Committee would consider that matter and implement if possible

Geoff Congdon then thanked the Commodore and the General Committee for all their work for the club over the last six months

11. MEETING CLOSED

The Commodore then thanked all members for their attendance at the meeting and closed the Meeting at 8.40pm