



**Friends of the Escarpment Park  
(Toowoomba) Inc.**  
Community Rooms, Toowoomba Library

# Minutes

General Meeting  
Saturday, 19th September, 1.00pm. 2020

## **1 Declare a Quorum, Welcome and Open Meeting, Apologies**

Present:

Bev Yates, Ray Addison, Eunice Addison, Greg Lukes, Hugh Krenske, Kay Krenske

Rob Brodribb, Kaye Wood-Riley

## **2 Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting held June 2, 2020**

Accepted as true record.

Moved: Hugh Krenske

Seconded: Bev Yates

## **3 Business Arising from Previous General Meeting.**

3.1 No group working in Stenner St Park. A Rocher unable to pursue

3.2 Leopard Ash Bushland Park...No date set for signage as yet

3.3 Rotational Park idea morphed into Highfields Park Group

## **4 Correspondence received since the previous General Meeting – inward and outward**

*Attachment 1.*

Correspondence Inward and outward accepted

Moved: Kaye Wood Riley

Seconded: Rob Brodribb

## **5 Business arising from the Correspondence**

5.1 Land for Wildlife... Important to follow this and support. Veronica Newberry was the last council sponsored Land for Wildlife employee.

5.2 Trial Privet...

\*Trial for tree Pear in Echo Valley, 10<sup>th</sup> October

\*Plenty of areas in Redwood. Contact K Coulter.

5.3 Land Care Week awards...

\*Do we have a project?

Park Coordinators to think about it

### **Treasurer's Report and business arising from Treasurer's report**

Treasurers report accepted

Moved: Ray Addison

Seconded: Hugh Krenske

### **Membership**

It was decided that Ray will send out letters and phone members who are behind in their membership payments.

If letters and phoning does not receive a response they will be removed from the register

## **7 President's Report.**

President's report FEP 19/9/20

July

Meeting in Redwood Park with invited conservation groups to share information on the potential impacts of the Toowoomba and Lockyer valley Escarpment Mountainbike Plan.

Petition proposed to TRC to exclude Redwood from the plan and encourage council to purchase land north of Jubilee Pk for inclusion in the plan.

Invitation to join Bridge Street Quarry Development Advisory Committee.

TRC has asked us to engage with Ken Goulter

Bioherbicides Australia Pty Ltd from UQ Gatton campus to look at their injection technique for dealing with tree pest species. A trial on privet is proposed. Exact locations not yet fully developed.

The Australian Government has provided Volunteering Queensland with funding to administer a Supplementary Grants program. FEP has applied for a grasses identification workshop. Closing date Dec 2020. Need to spend the money before 28 Feb 2021.

Highfields Park now has a regular working group that needs formal support and leadership clarified.

We have sent off a letter to TRC supporting the reestablishment of a Land for Wildlife officer in TRC.

Toowoomba Christian College has contacted FEP with offers of students to work in the parks. We will try and get them involved in Redwood and Highfield Falls pks.

Rob Brodribb

## **8 General Business**

8.1 DDEC. Hugh went to meeting. Their main focus is Acland Mine and Gas Extraction. Rob suggested that 'DDEC should be the driver in Redwood and we should be supporting them. Not likely for this to happen.

8.2 Coordinators to let ray know what gloves, secateurs, loppers etc that parks need.

8.3 Rob will follow up the Toowoomba Christian Collage offer of students to work.

**10 Next meeting**

Christmas meeting...Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup>, 10.00am, Picnic Point Tobruk Ave near the rain forest.

All members invited. Share plate

**11 Close meeting**

2.30pm

**FEP Secretary**

Kaye Wood-Riley

**FEP President**

Rob Brodribb