

MONARO ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD AT BIDGEE LODGE, 6 FEBRUARY 2021

1.0 Meeting opened at 1.20

2.0 Attendance

S Samuels, R Whiteway, N Buckland, D Collier, J Bray, J Killip, K Pfeiffer, N Watson, P Bourne, P Smith, F Smith, P Batho, B Batho, J Miller, D Flinn, B Blair, D Harkin, G Barlin.

3.0 Apologies.

M Sawa, M Ogilvie.

4.0 Previous Minutes.

That the minutes as circulated be adopted, Bray/Barlin.

5.0 Business Arising from Minutes.

6.0 Correspondence out

6.1 Objection to closure of Old Kosciuszko Road.

6.2 Submission to Council on Reserves that have been passed to Council for management outlining reserves with angling values that we think should be retained for public benefit.

7.0 Correspondence in

7.1 An Invoice from Peter Gibson to continue the fish Lake Wallace website at a cost of \$49.18. Meeting agreed to continue the website and recompense the President. Samuels/Collier

7.2 Letter from Crown Lands informing us that a decision on the Kosciuszko road closure has been put off because of the consideration of the Strategic Area Plan (SAP) process.

8.0 Reports

Treasurers Report

As per the AGM.

9.0 General Business

9.1 The President is still considering holding a workshop, probably at Bidgee Lodge, to explain to a wider audience of community leaders the plans for the grow-out facility and MAS's role in this.

9.2 Local information has been circulating of possible unapproved waterworks in the Upper Bobundara catchment that may be contributing to the failure of Bobundara creek to recover fully from the drought. Bobundarra creek is a blue ribbon Monaro trout stream and part of the Snowy Endangered Ecological community. The meeting agreed that we should write to NSW Water asking them to investigate. Samuels/Whiteway. Since the meeting we have learnt that NSW Fisheries environmental area is going to "door knock" the property to investigate.

9.3 The President texted the Hatchery Manager Mitch Elkins and his wife Taylor to congratulate them on the birth of a baby daughter.

9.4 The President texted Allistair McBirney from Fisheries, to offer condolences on behalf of the MAS membership, on the death of his son Hunter.

9.5 The meeting supported Peter Batho's offer to investigate the design and production of an MAS card to be used in circumstances such as those above.

9.6 The President informed the meeting that the Monaro was currently without any Fishing Inspectors.

Closed 2.39 pm

Next Meeting, Bidgee Lodge Cooma, 1pm Saturday, May 1, 2021