

MIDBRAK BELASTINGBETALERSVERENIGING

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 02 OCTOBER 2019 AT 13:00 IN THE REEBOK COMMUNITY HALL – NUMBER 7/2019

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

Greg Mitchell opened the meeting with a prayer. The Chairmain welcomed the attendees with a special welcome to the new members, Greg Mitchell, Johan Spies, Eric Marias, Johan Muller, Kobus Kotze and Marilyn Collins.

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

In attendance:

George Nezar (GN) (Chairman)
Mike Wray (MW)
Ann Pretorius (AP)
Cecil Barry (CB)
Sollie Grobler (SG)
Annatjie Janse van Rensburg (AJvR) (Councillor W4)
Anton Dellelijn (AD) (Councillor W5)
Charl Coetzer (CK)
Eric Marais (EM)
Jacques Radley (JR)
Kobus Kotze (KK)
Johan Spies (JS)
Jo-Ann Pieterse (JP) (MBM Building Inspector)
Hans Viljoen (HV) (MBM Building Inspector)
Marilyn Collins (MC) (Scribe)
Greg Mitchell (GM)

Apologies:

Andre Smit (AS)
Buks Pieterse (BP)
Frik Nel (FN)
Johan Muller (JM)

3. SOCIAL

MW advised that Flippie Bezuidenhout, who was very ill, is now better. GN requested that the well wishes of the committee be conveyed to him.

Congratulations were extended to AJvR, AP and JJ for their birthdays in September and to GN and MW who celebrate their birthdays in October.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 7 AUGUST 2019

The minutes were accepted and approved by MW and seconded by JR. after corrections of slurry seal in place of slash (8.4).

No minutes were taken at the September open meeting and it was decided to keep minutes in future.

5. REPORT: BUILDING INSPECTOR – Hans Viljoen / Jo-Ann Pieterse

HV advised that Andre Rayners has accepted a new post. HV introduced Jo-Ann Pieterse who will be taking over the position as Building Inspector.

- 5.1 12 Taaibos Street residence still not complete. Notice has been issued to the owner to complete the building operations within 12 months. It was noted that the property is on the market for sale.
- 5.2 The building rubble on the pavement is from point 5.1 above. Correspondence has been sent to the owner.
- 5.3 Concern re 82 Impala Road now allowing owner 84 Impala to exceed building boundary with the shade parking because owner of no 82 gets away with his fence on road reserve. JP.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- 6.1 Erf 271 and 264 – FaceBook. GN requested that the committee exercise caution about posts on FB and all electronic media as the public tends to take the subject matter out of context which causes consternation among residents due to mostly incorrect facts. Of particular note is the FB page Mossel Bay Online which is rife with negativity.
- 6.2 Stairs in Olckers Road – The stairs are built on private property and it is questioned whether it now pose a serious threat for injury to the public. The matter has been raised with the legal department at the MBM. AD to attend.
HV advised that any external and some internal alterations to a residence must be brought onto house plans and approved.
- 6.3 The street light at the corner of the R102 and Wildeperske Road is not in operation. This matter to be raised with the MBM **(SG)**

GN requested that all outstanding matters be given through to AD. All future issues can be SMS'd to **44802** and emails are to be sent to admin@mosselbay.gov.za and cc'd to GN.

7. NEW MATTERS

- 7.1 The turning circle at the east end of Kusweg in Reebok/Tergniet has not been favourably accepted as it is extremely sharp. GN called for suggestions for improvements be put in writing.
- 7.2 Stormwater: Take note: if excessive flow is caused by owner, he must install pipe to road over low lying stand to accommodate the flow.
- 7.2.1 AD advised that some of monies received by the MBM are ringfenced for bulk infrastructure at new developments and that the MBM long term development plan is updated regularly in order to ensure the supply of basic infrastructure such as water, electricity and sewerage. Concern was expressed that Mossel Bay is outgrowing itself which has highlighted the fact that the Midbrak Ratepayers' Association needs to be aware of long term supply arrangements**(AD)**.
- 7.2.2 CB commented that the storm damage to the western side at Kusweg from a year ago has now doubled and the road is on the verge of collapsing. It is vital, therefore, that adequate stormwater channels be built to lead the water to the beach. The matter is to be raised with Pieter Myburgh, head of Stormwater at MBM (JM).
- 7.2.3 MW commented that when houses are built or renovated, rubbish is left on the erf which is an eyesore and not aesthetically pleasing. HV advised that any objections should be taken up with the house owner – if there is no response this can be followed up by a complaint in writing to the municipality who will enter into correspondence with the owner. This will also apply to untidy gardens and garden rubbish.

JS commented that in some instances people transgress over the building line here and invades the neighbouring property thus has to be investigated by the municipality if no approval has been given.

. It was noted that a Land Surveyor's certificate should be handed in to the MBM and approved before any building across the building line may take place. Furthermore, neighbouring property owners must give written permission consenting to the relaxing of a building line.

HV advised that occupational certificates are only issued once properties are habitable which includes the removal of builders' rubble.

7.3 Noise from R102. The surface of the R102 is chip and spray and will unfortunately be more noisy than the N2 which surface is premix.

7.4 Speed control:

7.4.1 Rooibok Ave # 18 & 20, 22 & 24, 28 & 30. AJvR to follow up progress with Elize Nel of the MBM.

7.4.2 Dura Bumps or other speed humps are to be requested at the junction of Robertson and Hartenbos Roads (AJvR).

7.5 Roads and road signage: The following signage is still outstanding and must be addressed prior to the holiday season **(CB/JM)**.

- Corner Bredell and Olckers
- Corner of 2nd Avenue and Harris
- Corner of 2nd Avenue and Swart
- Corner of van Rensburg and 1st Avenue

The request for street lines in Impala Road is to be followed up **(SG)**. CB queried whether cats eyes would not be a more viable option. **CB** to submit request in writing to GN.

KK advised that the R102 is closed for 2 years for upgrading. The business owners are suffering huge losses. GN suggested KK to apply for a relaxation of rates and taxes due to the road works (stop/go) and loss of income and also the resulting of fewer tourists to the area – this request to be put in writing to MBM with copy to GN **(KK)**.

7.6 Older Persons Forum: GM advised that the MBM has started with projects and citizens are welcome to join in. GM has been appointed the Chairman of the Reebok branch.

7.7 PowerTown: AJvR advised that there is only one light still to be addressed at the entrance to PowerTown. A further light has been requested at the corner of the Klein Brak River hall and PowerTown.

7.8 Planning/Management Meeting 15 October 2019: GN to be accompanied by CB. Any matters to be raised to be communicated in writing to GN before Friday 11 October 2019.

7.9 JR to follow up on the cleaning of the green belt from Wildeperske Road towards Klein Brak River as this is a fire hazard.

8. FINANCES

Hire of hall: MW to follow up on the yearly payment for the hire of the hall **(MW)**.

9. WEBSITE

The Midbrak Belastingbetalersvereniging's website is: www.midbrakratepayers.co.za.

10. FEEDBACK FROM MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING

10.1 Water restrictions will be implemented effective 1 November 2019. MBM will send out notices to all account holders. It was noted that once the dams reach below 50%, water tariffs will be increased.

11. **WARD MEETINGS:** Ward 5 Thursday 3rd October 2019 at 18:00

Ward 4 - Brandwacht – Wednesday 10 October 2019 at 18:00.

12. CONSERVANCY

The Conservancy remains active in the area.

Robin Fick will take over from Matthew Thorpe who has relocated to East London.

13. PROJECTS

Nothing further to report except that corrective action after the flash flooding is being carried out at the Trim Park.

14. POLICING/NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

JR advised that 4 break-ins and 8 attempted break-ins occurred over the last period, primarily in the Tergniet area. It would appear that the perpetrators drive a green Fiat Palio and that any sightings of this vehicle should be reported to SAPS immediately.

The AGM of the Neighbourhood Watch will be held in the Reebok Community Hall on Monday 7th October 2019.

The meeting was advised that all cameras and satellite surveying material will eventually be linked to the centralised emergency centre in Mossel Bay. KK expressed concern at the shortage of radios available to the Neighbourhood Watch team.

GN asked JR to convey our appreciation for the good work being done by them.

15. **CORRESPONDENCE** – None – Business cards to be ordered GN
Contact details of directors at MBM to be sent to us by AD.

16. LOCAL MATTERS: AGM TEUSDAY 17 DECEMBER 2019 @ 10:00

16.1	De Lange Extention	Ann Pretorius	None
16.2	Toekoms		
16.3	Reebok Village/Groenkloof	Andre Smit Charl Coetzer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The stop street at Rheeboek Vilage/Groenkloof serves no purpose and needs to be addressed(AJvR).• The road surface of the entrance into Seester, Seeperdjie and Skulp needs to be addressed
16.4	Fraaiuitsig	Frik Nel Charl Coetzer	
16.5	Tergniet	Johan Spies Johan Muller	
16.6	Terniet Heights	MikeWray George Nezar	
16.7	Reebok Heights	Jacques Radley	

16.8	Reebok Ridge	Eric Marais Buks Pieterse	
16.9	Reebok: • North of railway line • South of railway line	Sollie Grobler Cecil Barry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grysbok Road speed bumps – boards/markers outstanding • The cleaning of dead bushes and cut branches is to be taken up with MBM and Transnet
16.10	Klein Brak River	Pieter le Roux Marilyn Collins	Stairs at Heyns Street
16.11	Riverside	Kobus Kotze	The manhole and water tap outside Outeniqua and Klein Brak Caravan Resorts must receive urgent attention as the current situation could lead to large water losses in the event of a leak. The pipe has been buried underground with no manhole cover and the water tap is being paved closed. AJvR to meet with KK to assess the matter (AJvR).

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday 1 November 2019

Time: 13:00

Vanue: Reebok Community Hall