

**Rimstone Co-operative Ltd,
Minutes of the 2022 AGM**

**Friday 30 September, 8pm,
at 22 Prospect St, Mt Waverley Vic.
3149**

Note: these minutes draft until ratified at the 2023 AGM

1. **Meeting opened** by Chairman, Nicholas White, at 8.15 PM

Present: Nicholas White, Darryl Pierce, Gary Coleman, Miles Pierce, Nigel Cooke, Peter Robertson, Rhonwen Pierce, Susan White, Greg Leeder, Gerhard Noss, Mara Silins, Sandra Brooker, Paul Brooker, Glenn Baddeley (14 members).

Visitor: Margaret Robertson

Apologies: Daryl Carr, Margaret James, Rob Brian, Rudy Frank, Peter Stewart, Jim Whittington, Nadine Muresan, Ulysses de Vincente, John Webb.

2. **Minutes of AGM 2021**

These were available on the Rimstone web site (www.rimstone.org.au).

Motion to accept the Minutes of the 2021 AGM: Moved Miles Pierce; Seconded: Greg Leeder

No questions, the Motion was put and carried, no recorded votes against or abstentions.

3. **The 2022 Annual Report** was circulated prior to the meeting.

The Chairman of Directors', Nicholas White, gave a summary of the report, Several projects need to be completed, e.g. internal bath/toilet and bedroom projects but general progress occurred during the past year. The Website was migrated during the year with less problems. Brief discussion on the healthy state of bookings, renovations and painting, Shades of Death (M-3) and the Scrubby property regarding the residual post bushfire issues, and fences. The Scrubby Creek Property total boundary fence is now completed with the aid of a Bushfire Recovery Grant and conservation fencing of ~4ha from above the steep slope to the boundary, was completed with a DELWP conservation fencing grant.

A correction to the Annual Report: DELWP is responsible for the Slippery Pinch Rd at the property (not the Shire) but road repairs are being delayed due to problems with materials.

He thanked Sandra Brooker, Rudy Frank and Rob Brain in particular for their work and all who have helped during the year.

Motion to accept the Annual Report without the Treasurers Report was Moved Rhonwen Pierce Seconded Peter Robertson.

No discussion. The motion was put and carried with no recorded votes against or abstentions.

4. **Treasurer Report**

Nigel Cooke referred to the Annual Report and reported a small update from the published draft due to differences of accounting methods. There is an overall net profit of ~\$10,000 compared to last year's loss of about the same amount. He highlighted that we were in a good position.

Subscriptions have mostly been paid and many members have updated their details. There is an issue of people not paying accommodation fees promptly due to cashless payments. Accommodation was up by 70%. Donations to Shades of Death were \$2500 and we had bushfire relief and conservation grants for fencing. Income

was up 107% on last year.

Expenditure included a new mower, accountancy fees and accountancy package Xero. A significant cost increases have been utilities especially gas, insurances and repairs and renovations but overall these costs are comparable to last year.

We are well insured for \$2 million replacement costs. We have public liability from Elders and Infinity Leisure, this includes the use of caves.

There is a balance of \$58,000 of which \$15,000 is kept as a reserve, and no outstanding liabilities.

We have recovered and therefore no need to increase accommodation rates.

A motion of acceptance of the Treasurers Report was moved by Nigel Cooke, Seconded by Darryl Pierce.

A short discussion regarding payment of accommodation fees, EFTPOS and the problems with getting NBN installed occurred and the Directors are working on solving this problem.

The motion was put and carried with no recorded votes against or abstentions.

5. Elections

The retiring Directors were Nigel Cooke and Gary Coleman and Neil Wilson has resigned as a director since moving to Tasmania.

Nominations were received by the Secretary from Nigel Cooke, Paul Brooker and Nadine Muresan before the closing date for receiving them.

There being no election required they were all declared elected. Paul Brooker and Nadine Muresan were welcomed by Nicholas White, and this was acknowledged by a show of hands from members present.

6. There was a general discussion regarding the reports and an open day in November. No motions were received regarding this discussion

7. Miles Pierce thanked the Directors especially Nicholas White for their work for the year. Nicholas White thanked Gary Coleman for his 25 years of service on the board of directors and for hosting the AGM.

Meeting closed at 9.20 PM.