

MUIZENBERG IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NPC
Minutes of the Board Meeting held on Tuesday 16 February 2016
at 16:00 at the All Saints Church Hall, Muizenberg

Present:

Name	Position	Abbrev
Steven Frankal	Director (Chair)	SF
George Hill	Director	GH
Kerime Sinclair	Director	KS
Marion Wagner	Director	MW
Peter Wright	Director	PW
Chevone Petersen	Manager	CP

Members Present:

- Quinton Carelse – City of Cape Town Buildings Inspector
- Machteld van Lennep
- Sandra Crossley
- Tessa Moore
- Errol King
- Lynn Streit
- Nicki Smit

No	Agenda Item	Action (Who?)	When
1.	Welcome	SF welcomed all present at the meeting.	
2.	Community Issues/Matters for the Board's consideration	<p><u>Problem Buildings Presentation:</u></p> <p>Quinton Carelse, Building Inspector, gave a detailed and information presentation on the regulations in terms of when a building can be deemed a problem. His focus is on structural compliance whereas Problem Buildings Unit focusses on all elements including problem activities in buildings.</p> <p>MID will draft an information article and steps that the public can take to alert the City to problem buildings or buildings who may potentially be a risk to the environment.</p> <p>Lynn Streit asked MID to please publish information on problem</p>	

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		<p>buildings on how the public can report concerns to the City.</p> <p>SF thanked Quinton for taking the time to present to the MID board and members.</p> <p><u>Members Security Concerns:</u></p> <p>Machteld raised concerns regarding crime epidemic in the area and the ineffectiveness of MID patrollers to prevent crime. She confirmed that she recently had a home invasion due to tenants forgetting to secure the property. Fortunately the tenants were able to scare the assailants off. Believes that effective patrolling could have prevented this incident as criminals enter properties from the street.</p> <p>Machteld requested that the MID Board consider contracting to Mountain Men who are very proactive in dealing with criminals in the area through their informants, detective work and stake-outs. She said that she had spoken to Mountain Men who are now willing to tender for the SRA.</p> <p>Machteld also confirmed that she liaised with the City's ISL and they confirmed that MID patrollers may do a citizen's arrest. CP confirmed that Patrollers have effected citizen's arrests where warranted.</p> <p>Sandy Crossley and Nicki shared Machteld's sentiment.</p> <p>Lynn Streit shared concerns regarding the increase in criminal activity in the area.</p>		
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		<p>Tessa Moore expressed her concern that Patrollers don't always know how to handle incidents of drunkenness in public or by-law offences. SF confirmed that this was addressed with the service provider.</p> <p>SF explained that the MID is mandated by the City to top-up public safety and security measures in public space, not private property. It is everyone's responsibility to take reasonable measures to ensure their own safety and to secure their private property.</p> <p>MW confirmed that out of the thousands of people who live in the area, only approximately 30 people are prepared to join the local neighborhood watch patrols and that several community meetings have been set up to address safety. These are always poorly attended with sometimes only 10 people turning up.</p> <p>SF confirmed that the MID is contracted to Securitas and there is no factual reason at present for the MID to consider an alternative service provider. The biggest challenge in the community is the apathy.</p> <p>SF thanked the members for addressing their concerns with the board.</p>		
3.	Apologies	Lesley Schroeder (LS)		
4.	Minutes of Previous Meeting & Matters Arising.	The board approved the board meeting minutes of 19 January 2016. Proposed by SF and seconded by KS.		
5.	Financial Report & Surplus Funds.	The board approved the financial report for January 2016. Proposed by SF and seconded by GH.		

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6.	Boundary Extension	SF went through LS' planning for public participation process. Board proposed that the public meeting for Wherry Road triangle property owners be moved to end April 2016, allowing for more time to manage the administration process.	LS	On-going.
7.	Media Policy & Communications	SF made the board aware of the media policy and how MID engages with the media, membership, stakeholders and the community. Stressed that MID board must ensure communications are in line with the value system and should refrain from engaging on social media discussions around issues relating to the MID mandate. SF asked that if ever in doubt, to liaise with himself, LS or CP.	All	
8.	Strategic Planning/Portfolio Review	GH, MW, LS and CP submitted portfolio reports for review before the board meeting. The following portfolios gave additional feedback. <u>Chair & Beachfront (SF):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SF and KS met with Mayoral Committee Member for Tourism and Economic Development, Gareth Bloor, to discuss the concerns on the beachfront. Subsequently received an invitation to attend stakeholders meeting on 16th March. The first big achievement for MID in terms of decision making and moving forward with decisive action to ensure issues of safety and 	SF & KS	16 March 2016

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		<p>security as well as maintenance is addressed on the beachfront. The board thanked KS for initiating this interaction.</p> <p><u>Cleaning (KS):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Met with the Navy and keen to include Ellis Rd and the Park in their security patrol. Also giving consideration to possible collaboration with overall safety and security strategy in the area. Met with False Bay College regarding littering – planning a more educational workshop/talk with students. 	<p>KS</p> <p>KS</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>On-going</p>
9.	General.	<p><u>Membership Application:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The board approved the membership application for 12 Royal Road. Proposed by SF and seconded by MW. <p><u>Liquor License:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The board withdrew the objection to the liquor license application received for African Soul Surfer Backpackers. This is based on strict criteria being adhered to i.e. on premise consumption license for sales on the 1st floor only, sales to registered guests only and not the general public. 		

Meeting Closed at: 18:40