

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF BEAUMARIS CONSERVATION SOCIETY INC. HELD AT
BEAUMARIS COMMUNITY CENTRE, RESERVE ROAD, BEAUMARIS AT 2 P.M. ON 19 MAY 2013**

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The meeting was declared open by the Chair. Guests and members were welcomed.

Present – (40 members) Mr Ron Morris (Chair), Mrs Jenny Morris, Mr Leigh and Mrs Diana Dugan, Mrs Kathleen Abelnica, Mr Greg and Mrs Helena Mier, Mr Chris Sutton, Mr Paul Weir, Mr Edward Pearce, Mr Geoffrey and Mrs Margaret Goode, Mrs Patricia Glazier, Mr Garry Allan and Ms Justine Gorny, Mrs Ingrid Ashford, Mr Roy Hardcastle AO and Mrs June Hardcastle; Cr Heather Stewart, Southern Ward Bayside councillor; Mr Norm and Mrs Sally Stewart, Mrs Ethel Bridgford, Ms Teresa Murphy, Mrs Ruth Ewart, Mrs Sue Raverty, Mrs Joan Palmer, Mrs Val Currey, Mr Malcolm and Mrs Marjorie Cumming, Mr Kornel Koffsovitz, Mrs Joan Macrae, Mr Robert and Mrs Nena Brice, Mrs Nan Gye, Mr Ken Beadle, Mrs Joyce Gardiner, Mrs Joy Tate, Mrs Joan Proctor, Mr Ron and Mrs Kate Burnstein

(Guests) Cr Stephen Hartney, Mayor of Bayside; Cr Laurence Evans, Southern Ward Bayside councillor, and Mrs Jenny Evans; Cr James Long, Central Ward Bayside councillor, and Ms Cheryl Dorgan; Mr David Hosking and Dr Marian Hosking, son and daughter of the first President of Beaumaris Tree Preservation Society; Mr Rob Casamento, tenth President of BCS; Mr Michael Norris, [Bayside councillor](#) 2005-12; Mr Derek Wilson, [Bayside councillor](#) 2003-08; Mr Clifford Hayes, Bayside councillor 2005-12; Ms Pauline Reynolds, [Sandringham councillor](#) 1981-90; Mr Bob Whiteway OAM, Mr Richard Rozen OAM and Mrs Rysia Rozen OAM, Mrs Mary Rimington OAM, Ms Judy Fields, Dr Vicki Karalis, Mr Michael Coleman, Mr Barry and Mrs Margaret Sutton, Ms Barbara Jakob; Ms Rose Read, endorsed Greens candidate for Goldstein; Master Jesse Mier

Apologies – Ms Georgie Crozier MLC, Mrs Andrea Coote MLC, Mr John Lenders MLC; Cr Michael Heffernan, Northern Ward Bayside councillor; Mr Laurence Bottomley, [Sandringham councillor](#) 1974-94 and Mrs Therese Bottomley; Mr John Knight, [Bayside councillor](#) 2005-08, and BCS Inc. member; Mrs Patricia Sinclair, 3rd Treasurer 1955; Mr Ken Rendell, 8th President 1973, and Honorary Life Member, and Mrs Jill Rendell; Mrs Val Ross, 11th President 1997, and Honorary Life Member; Mr Ron Hayton, 12th President 1998, and Mrs Sybil Hayton; Mr Adrian Cerbasi, 14th President 2002, and Mrs Josie Cerbasi; Mrs Joy Taylor, BCS Inc. member; Mr David and Mrs Lynda Judkins, BCS Inc. members; Mr Len Warfe, President, [Port Phillip Conservation Council Inc](#); Mrs Janet Oliver, President, Mornington Environment Association Inc; Dr Elizabeth Flann, Secretary, Kingston Council Environment Coalition

Mr Murray Thompson, MLA for Sandringham, was delayed, and was not able to arrive until after the General Meeting ended, and the Society's 60th Anniversary Celebration began, at which he was the first of the two Guest Speakers, the other being the Mayor of Bayside, Cr Stephen Hartney.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved (Cr H Stewart/C Sutton) (2013G05A) that the [minutes of the 60th Annual General Meeting](#), held on 13 September 2012, be confirmed.

3. MOTION ON NOTICE

Resolved unanimously (G Goode/J Macrae) (2013G05B) that Mrs Patricia Sinclair, whose service to the Beaumaris Tree Preservation Society is described in the Citation below, be admitted as an [Honorary Life Member](#) of the Society in accordance with [Rule 3.1\(e\)](#) of the Constitution.

CITATION: "The Management Committee of Beaumaris Conservation Society Inc. proposes that Mrs Patricia Sinclair be admitted as an Honorary Life Member of the Society in recognition of her important role in the establishment and early success of the Society. Her name appears in the minutes of the General Meeting in June 1955 of the Beaumaris Tree Preservation Society - which was renamed Beaumaris Conservation Society in 1970 - regarding her work in developing and promoting the Society's timely and very influential [BEAU-MARIS or BARE-MARIS leaflet](#). At the Society's third Annual General Meeting, in [1955](#), Mrs Sinclair was elected as the Society's third Treasurer, and she was re-elected to that position in [1956](#). Mrs Sinclair followed her important role in the very early days of the Society by continuing as a member of the Society's Committee from 1958 to [1969](#), and warmly welcoming the new members and officers that joined the Society in that last year of the 14 years she was active in it."

4. ELECTION OF SECRETARY: Following the resignation of Kornel Koffsovitz as Secretary, nominations were called for the filling of the position of Secretary by this General Meeting, in accordance with [Rule 14.7](#) of the Constitution.

The Acting Secretary, Mrs Diana Dugan, was the only nomination, so the Chair declared her elected as Secretary.

5. CLOSE

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 2:25 p.m. Members and guests were thanked for their attendance and invited to join the Society’s 60th Anniversary Celebration at which the two Guest Speakers, Mr Murray Thompson, MLA for Sandringham, and Cr Stephen Hartney, Mayor of Bayside, each addressed those present about their views of the value the Society has contributed to Beaumaris, and its potential for the future.

After those speeches, a 60th Anniversary cake, which had kindly been made by Mrs Sally Stewart, was jointly cut by Dr Marian Hosking, daughter of the first President, the late Mrs Bea Hosking; and Mrs Joan Macrae, widow of the second President, Mr Colin Macrae, sister of the third President, the late Mrs Sheila Ridland, and sister-in-law of the sixth President, the late Mr William Ridland.

Members and guests enjoyed the cake, and the other refreshments provided, along with a screening of photographs from BCS records, arranged by Garry Allan. After members and guests had mingled for some time, Ms Pauline Reynolds kindly took group photographs of members and guests to record the 60th Anniversary Celebration.

Diana Dugan, Secretary

Confirming Chair

Date 2013
