



ORANJEKLOOF CID – AGM MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 29 November 2023
TIME: 12:00
VENUE: Fire & Ice Hotel, New Church Street, Tamboerskloof, Cape Town

ATTENDANCE:

- In Attendance: Marc Truss (MT), Marius Swanepoel (MS), Simon Wood (SW), Leon Fortes (LF), Frances Fortes (FF), Andy Paterson (AP), Brett Shaw (BS2), Chris Fick (CF), Patrick Ricketts (PR), Dolph Venter (DV), Martins Swanepoel (MS), Francine Higham (FH), Patrick Ricketts(PR), Candice JVR (CJ), David-John (DJ)
- Apologies: Ian McMahon (IM), Bernd Schulz (BS1), Andrew Grimanis
- Membership: 1 new member - Mr Klingelhoefter
- Full quorum.

ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- Accepted.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- MT reads Chris Fick chairman's report.

FEEDBACK ON OPERATIONS:

- A lot of enquiries about CID's within the area around us.
- CIDs are top of mind now, the Mayor Geordin Hill Lewis supports the CIDs and is very pro CIDs.
- For the past year we had a total of 989 incidents covering a large spectrum of activities.
- Our general crime is more towards opportunistic criminal behaviour we do not have serious crime (murders, rape etc)., majority would be theft out of vehicles, common robbery, i.e. snatch and grab, leaving items of value in full view etc.
- Stealing of bags while sitting at a restaurant.
- Laptops and cell phones stolen at workplaces, with people just walking in and taking while at the toilet or whilst shopping.
- Pretending to be city officials, and then taking wallets, phones etc.
- Theft of, vehicles, not too big in our area, although it does take place on certain type of vehicles, VW / Toyota – certain models.
- ATM fraud, there is a 24/7 team, but they still find tourists and guide them to access points to tap the credit cards. We must warn the tourists to not fall into these traps of having to pay to walk the streets, KFC, etc.

- Curb side management – dopped into paying for parking, which is not legitimate, thousands of euros scammed.
- We speak to the hospitality and tourism companies to help educate and avoid the tourists from being scammed.
- Common robbery, not with a firearm but a weapon. These days you can go buy a copy of a gun that shoots blanks and makes a noise like a real firearm. No licence is required.
- Incidents on the mountain, a couple was help up with a knife, took backpack and phones, the bag had a Glock firearm, fortunately they tracked it down with sniffer dogs, firearm & person was found and arrested.
- Another challenge is that the SAPS member decides if they will open a case or not for you, they really don't try to encourage you to open a case, so a lot of incidents are not being reported as they are being spoken out of reporting them by these saps members.
- A challenge that we have is that our staff do everything in their power to catch the thieves and then they don't end up opening a case and the thief is left to go free, which is so unfortunate.
- Maintenance trailer - we have modified it now for almost any type of disaster, like floods, winds, power outages as we have recently experienced.
- Homeless – we are slowly chipping away at it, as they can't live anywhere, so we are hoping for the relocation and safe spaces to provide relief.
- Looking at controlling and managing of uber eats, Checkers 60 60, parked in a row as they are filling up sidewalks and blocking business entrances.
- Over 2million in revenue for parking fines was generated
- LPR – a certain portion of the budget goes to this initiative, within 1 month, the stats covering our entire region, reflects that we have had 90 arrests, 17 stolen vehicles & 5 firearms recovered on a collective basis, very positive outcome.
- Our dogs – patrolling, brother & sister German shepherds, 2 years, old its going well and is working exceptionally well.

NOTING OF AUDITED FINANCIALS, BUDGET, AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

- The surplus for the year was R347k
- Budgets are set for 5 years in advance; we are currently in our 3rd term.
- Public Safety – introduced additional security officers, environmental upgrades and landscaping to come out of the surplus that we have accrued over the period.
- FH: is there a specific project that will be used for the landscaping budget as there is an increase compared to previous financial years?
- MT: all the paving upgrades, additional lighting, planting of trees etc, fall within this additional spend.
- Implementation plan: Approved
- Business plan: Approved
- Proposed budget: Accepted
- Surplus utilization: Accepted.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS:

- We are in our third year. An auditor can only be with us for 5 years. LPH
- We would like to continue with the services of LPH: Approved.

COMPANY SECRETARY:

- Confirmation of SW as secretary: Accepted.

CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS/ RESIGNATIONS:

- Two board members/directors stepped down: Andy Patterson and Frances Fortes. They are up for re-election.
- Approved.

MEMORANDUM OF INCORPORATION:

- MT gives feedback
- 2014 MOI came into effect, since then there have been changes.
- 2023 MOI amended MOI
- All CIDs must comply.
- Show of hands: Accepted by the majority, no objections.

GENERAL:

- FH: did you receive any comments from members like if the meetings were held early evenings if there would be more attendance?
- MT: Not one
- FH: Considering that people are working during this time.
- CF: As long as we do our job, they are happy, and the website helps a lot.
- MT: I got one thank you but won't be attending and one email from a disgruntled property owner, as he believes his R150 should go towards a beer and pizza, and he should not have to pay more as the City should be doing it.
- The more the merrier but at the same time the doors are open, we welcome people in, and we want them to understand what good we are doing.
- We can look at different times for the AGM meeting.
- Blossom, street sweeper, forced to retire as she turned 60 as they want to make way for the younger generation, she's been with us since day dot. She did not want to go, I managed to keep her on till end of Dec, that's all the shop stewards allowed her to do. The residents are trying to raise a few goodies to put a farewell together for her. Hopefully we can squeeze her in with the maintenance team or somewhere else to keep her going for a couple of years. As I do believe that age should not be a restriction, if you are capable then you should be able to carry on working.
- No further questions.
- AGM adjourned.