

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
FERNKLOOF NATURE RESERVE (FNR) ADVISORY BOARD (FAB)
HELD AT ELECTRICAL BOARDROOM, HERMANUS
ON TUESDAY, 20 MAY 2014 at 09:00**

1. Welcome, Attendance and Apologies

Present: Duncan Heard (DH) [in the Chair], Estelle Spaarwater (ES), Glynis Van Rooyen (GvR), Heloise Fortune (HF) [PA-Onrus Office], David Beattie (DB), Grant Forbes (GF) [Cape Nature], Andrae Marais (AM) [Cape Nature], Muthama Muasya (MM), Antony van Hoogstraten (AvH), Liezl Bezuidenhout (LB) [Senior Manager- Overstrand Environmental], Neville Green (NG) [Biodiversity Manager – Overstrand Environmental], Lee Burman (L.Bn), Hanneen van der Stoep [Town Planning – Overstrand Municipality] (HvS)

Apologies: Linda Griffiths (LG)

Absent without Apology: Johan Du Toit (JD) [Law Enforcement], Cllr Kari Brice (KB)

Welcome: The Chairperson welcomed everyone present and informed all the members that today's meeting will focus more on discussing the Fernkloof Nature Reserve Integrated Management Plan.

2. Confirmation of Minutes for the Meeting of the FAB held on 22 November 2013.

2.1 Confirmation of Minutes and Public Availability

The previous minutes had been circulated per e-mail to all members.

Proposed: Mr David Beattie

Seconded: Mr Muthama Muasya

HF confirmed that the minutes were placed on the official Overstrand Municipal website as well as the intranet for public access. Minutes are also placed in a library file for public scrutiny.

H. Fortune

2.2 Comments from Council on FAB Minutes dated 22 November 2013

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Workshop to market Fernkloof Internationally

DH informed everyone that a workshop will be held to market Fernkloof and to attract possible funding. Dr. Denis Worrall (Omega Investment Research) was appointed as Hermanus Marketing - facilitator. Fernkloof Nature Reserve is part of that campaign. Proposed dates are 25/26&27 September 2014. DH noted that if anyone wants to discuss the matter further they can contact him. LB thanked DH for driving this workshop and suggested that if it cannot be linked with the Flower Show that it can link in with the Hope Spot initiative but she will give feedback once she has more info. MM suggested that a few members should be selected to drive the workshop. DH suggested DB, LBn, CapeNature and Dianne from Botsoc. They can schedule a few meetings to discuss further.

3.2 Amendment of By-laws relating to FNR and FAB

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

3.3 Provincial By-Pass Road & Stanford Trunk Road Upgrade

DH: No concerns at the moment.

D. Beattie/ N. Green

4 Administration

4.1 FNR Integrated Management Plan (IMP) Progress

FAB spent the rest of the day with the 4th review of the FNR IMP.

4.1.1 Hermanus Astronomy Centre

LB noted that she wants to put a proposal on the table for the astronomy centre to be situated below Water Works at Preekstoel offices she will forward information to DH.

N Green

4.2 FNR 2012/13 Budget

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

4.3 FNR Management Reports

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

5 Standing Items

5.1 Enforcement

Will be discussed at the next meeting

Andrae Marais / Johan du Toit

5.2 Hoy's Koppie

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N.Green / D. Heard

5.3 Ecological Issues

5.3.1 Baboon Electric Fencing

Will be discussed at the next meeting

L. Bezuidenhout / N Green

5.3.2 Burning of Coastal Corridors

Will be discussed at the next meeting

L. Bezuidenhout

5.3.3 Event Applications

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N Green

5.3.4 Leucospermum cordifolium

Will be discussed at the next meeting

L. Burman

5.4 Research

5.4.1 Research Applications

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

5.5 Land and Infrastructure

5.5.1 Fernkloof Village Drainage Report

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

5.5.2. Scout Camp Lease

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

5.5.3 Replacement of Signboards

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

5.6 Klein River Estuary Management

Will be discussed at the next meeting

L. Bezuidenhout

5.7 Report from Hermanus Botanical Society

Will be discussed at the next meeting

L. Griffiths

5.7.1 MoA with Overstrand Municipality i.t.o. FNR

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

5.7.2 Accuracy of Signboard in FNR Gardens.

Will be discussed at the next meeting

M. Muasya / L. Griffiths

5.7.3 Nursery

5.7.3.1 Indigenous plants for Municipal use for Rehabilitation Purposes.

Will be discussed at the next meeting

N. Green

5.8 Report from Cliff Path Management Group

Will be discussed at the next meeting

D Beattie

5.8.1 Upgrade of Piet se Bos Area-Progress

DH referred to Mr Stephen Muller's letter stating that no amphitheatre will be developed and that the area will be developed as a braai and picnic area. HvS noted that a 2nd design will be sent around for comments.

N. Green

6. General

6.1 Grotto Parking Embankment (BAR)

DH noted that the comments for the Grotto East parking proposal have to be submitted by 30 May. LB noted that the EMS team will sit on 26 May to discuss their comments and she will forward it to DH.

D. Heard

7. Date of Next Meeting:

19 September 2014