FISH HOEK VALLEY RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE QGM OF THE FHVRRA (TO BE COMBINED WITH THE AGM OF THE COMMUNITY POLICE FORUM) WILL BE HELD IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, FISH HOEK ON THURSDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2008 AT 19h00 (7pm)

THE AGENDA FOR THIS COMBINED MEETING IS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. AGM OF THE CPF
- 2. GUEST SPEAKER ALDERMAN HELEN ZILLE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN
- 3. QGM OF THE FHVRRA
 - **3.1 MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 28.08.2008**The full minutes are available at Fish Hoek Library. Micro-minutes are enclosed herewith.
 - 3.2 MATTERS ARISING
 - 3.3 COUNCILLORS' REPORT
 - 3.4 TREASURER'S REPORT
 - 3.5 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT
 - 3.6 GENERAL

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NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2008

Quarterly General Meeting

The Community Police Forum (CPF) and the FHVRRA have combined to invite the Mayor to address the Quarterly General Meeting on 27 November 2008. We have asked the Mayor to address several relevant civic issues, as well as those posed by the CPF. The Mayor's talk will begin at 19h30, when she will be welcomed by the chairpersons of both organizations. After her address, we will continue with our QGM. This co-operative effort underlines the strong partnership between our association, the CPF and the Fish Hoek City Improvement District.

Cell masts

We await feedback from Enviro Africa regarding the cell mast at the Police Station, following their address to us at the last QGM. They have promised to come back to us soon and we hope to have more information at the forthcoming QGM. We have also asked for a site plan of a new Telkom mast proposed for a municipal reservoir off Peak Road, so we can locate the exact location. Members will be kept informed.

Service Delivery

May we remind you of the service delivery system at the Civic Centre? Forms (a copy of which is included herewith) are available and various complaints including roads, signage, lighting, etc. may be reported. These forms are to be handed in to Desiree Mentor at the Civic Centre. Regarding roads: Mr Andrew Taylor, who is responsible for roads in the South Peninsula, has asked that the public report (via the above process) specific roads where repairs are necessary. The idea is to report areas which need to be repaired (not isolated potholes) and these will be patched in sections or blocks. The call system for complaints is proving very effective. Tel no. for any complaint is 021 784 2009 and ask for Ricky.

Jager's Walk (catwalk)

We know the catwalk is very important to many residents and visitors. This association has been bringing to Council's attention the state of the catwalk for a long time and especially since the big storm and has repeatedly asked that something be done before the season. It seems there are not enough Council engineers to assess the damage and consultants have to be called in. All this takes time and we were told that someone would be looking at it in the last week of October. The report then has to go to the relevant department, be budgeted for, go to tender, etc. So we are sorry to say don't hold your breath for the catwalk to be open this season. We have asked that something be done temporarily but have had no reply to this idea. We will keep trying.

Radio Base Station for Neighbourhood Watches

The Community Police Forum is negotiating with the SA Police regarding a radio base station for neighbourhood watches, based at the Police Station.

Animal By-Law

Public participation regarding the new Animal By-Law began in June. Over 70 animal welfare organizations and several animal activists have been involved. There is no truth to the rumour that people will be required to put down their pets if they own more than two dogs and two cats. If pet owners meet the criteria (designed for the welfare of the animals concerned), they will be able to own more dogs and cats, after applying for a permit.

Bayside Bazaar

It seems that, finally, Bayside will be complete on 15th December 2008.

Planning Office

We are less than happy that the planning office has been moved to Plumstead and have said so. We are now able to report that it is proposed that a planning office be opened in Fish Hoek one or two days a week which will cater for "live" plans, i.e. plans which are currently being used. Also, you will be able to order old plans in storage at Plumstead.

The Muizenberg / Fish Hoek Main Road Upgrade

It seems that although the work has been delayed by all the winter rain, things are going well. The north bound side of the road which they are presently working on should be more or less complete by the start of the builders' holidays. Therefore both lanes of the road will be open and there will be no stop-go system over Christmas and New Year. Please note that the surface which will be put on the road will not be the final one. The real surface will be done once both sides of the road are rebuilt and then they can do a proper finishing job.

Fire Department

There has been some concern about the progressive withdrawal of facilities from the Fish Hoek Fire Station, resulting in their inability to respond timeously to fires and other disasters. However, things are looking up — Councillor Purchase reports that another vehicle has been allocated to Fish Hoek. This will mean the Fire Station will have one permanent fire engine, one bush fire tender and another reservist vehicle. There are 26 reservists in the Fish Hoek Fire Department. All other volunteers fall under Disaster Management.

Skateboard Park

Just in time for Christmas holidays, a new skateboard park will be opened behind the sportsfields – good news for mums looking to entertain the children.

Vagrants / Squatters

There has been an increase in vagrants around town again. There is also an increase in people sleeping on and next to the Clovelly dunes and the Silvermine River wetlands. Law Enforcement has done two operations and promise to do more.

Please bring to the Council's attention any squatting and related problems.

Driving Licence Centre

The planning for this facility is well advanced and there should be action by mid-November. The facility will be situated at the Fish Hoek Civic Centre and will include learners' licences, testing for drivers' licences and renewal of licences. It is expected to be open early in the new year and will be greatly welcomed by all residents in the Far South Peninsula.

Law Enforcement

The Far South Peninsula has been allocated nine law enforcement officers (casuals) for the season.

Festive Greetings

We are fast approaching year end and as this will be our final general meeting for the year, may we take this opportunity to wish you and yours a safe and happy festive season and all good wishes for the new year.

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