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Green Head Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
Meeting held on Wednesday 26th August 2009 at the GHVBFB Shed

MEETING OPENED: 5.07pm

ATTENDANCE: Julie Taylor, Geoff Angwin, Colleen Jeffery, Chris Duncan

APOLOGIES: Graham Grover

CORRESPONDENCE IN: Bill and Bev Kenworthy—donated funds
Debbi Barrett—Lottery West grant
Cheque for \$600 Shire Hazard prevention burns

CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Letter of congratulations to Warradarge FB
Western power Grant application
Lotterywest grant application

TREASURER'S REPORT: **Balance \$5491.03**

Minutes of previous meeting held on 29th July 2009 passed as true and correct

BUSINESS ARISING: GHVBFB were successful in obtaining grant from Leeman Telecentre. This will be used to purchase 4 x UHF hand held radios and battery charger. Send letter of thanks

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Some comments have been received from the community, re Kenworthy's donation of time and funds, that there are more needy causes than the GHVBFB and that funds should have been given elsewhere. Geoff will address this issue at the next GH Community Association meeting, giving community members a better understanding of why funds need to be sourced from community.

Thank you letter to be sent to the Kenworthy's for their hard work.

GHVBFB are donating the use of the BBQ to the organisers of the Mt Leuseur excursion.

Letter has been drafted to go with community showbag drop. Julie to get bags.

ESL—The shire have allocated the five brigades that are within the Coorow Shire \$8,400. Operating costs such as maintenance and fuel are to come out of each allocation. Total of ESL funds for the Shire is \$42,000. This is a reduction of \$3000 from last years allocation due to a reduction in government expenditure. GHVBFB will purchase compressor, vacuum cleaner and blower vac with ESL funds.

DGR application has been submitted to the Tax department.

There has been no fire activity. A hazard reduction burn will be done behind the ambulance shed in Leeman, GH has been asked to provide some resources for this.

Western Power grant has been lodged.

Lotterywest grant lodged asking for GPS units for vehicles. Units will be map programmable

Julie to get another newsletter in SIN

Start organising Xmas. GHVBFB have decided to have Santa on firetruck and drive around on Xmas morning throwing out lollies to the kids in town. A Santa photo day will be held on the 19th December at the fire shed. Kids can have their photo taken with Santa sitting on fire truck. These will be taken and printed on the day. Colleen will purchase postcard size photo paper. \$5 per photo.

World Shave for a Cure is to be held on 10th March 2010. This to be organized earlier next year.

Nominations for 'Community Awards' have been submitted before council.

Waiting on revised quote from Dave Hunt.

BFAC meeting was held at Coorow. Not very well attended. GH and Warradarge were the only two brigades in attendance. Budget allocations tabled and explained.

Date for prohibited and restricted burns to be set.

Ground Controllers course to be held on 14/09/09 at Green Head 1-5pm. Brigade to provide afternoon tea.

Structural Fire Fighting course to be held in Jurien on 12-13th Sept.

Hot fire course to be held in Perth on 19-20th September.

Chris Duncan asked to check through first aid equipment and see what extra items are needed. Chris said that hopefully next year there will be an ambulance shed in GH providing a quicker response time. Chris also voiced her disappointment that the GH brigade has never attended the Emergency Services Xmas Function. She hopes to see some members of the brigade there this year.

The Brigade has asked the Warradarge Brigade if they would allow a Battery collection point to be set-up behind the Warradarge fire shed. We are awaiting a response from the Warradarge Brigade. Thank you letter to be sent to Ken for all his hard work.

MEETING CLOSED: 6.03PM

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