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**Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
17 DECEMBER 2020 at 1700
VENUE: NGK Church Hall, St Georges Ave**

1. Welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting, confirmed that the agenda had been posted within the notice period of 7 days and declared the meeting duly constituted and welcomed those attending notwithstanding the impact of the covid pandemic on travel restrictions imposed on members during the holiday season.

Departing homeowners and new arrivals

There had been no departures in 2020. The Chairman welcomed a new arrival in Kate Reynolds (erf 46).

Recently Deceased

The following members and property owners had sadly passed away

- Robin Neisius (erf 55)
- Dr Van der Wat (erf 84)
- Alet Ellis (erf 219)
- Joyce de Bruin (erf 211)
- Con Roux (erf 387)
- Ina Williams (erf 275)
- Shirley Levy (erf 11)
- Barry Woode (erf 22)
- Morne du Plessis (ex NV Superintendent)
- Braam Deacon (erf 278)
- Rosie Dekker (erf 192)
- Molly Theron (erf 439)
- Bernard Marchand (erf 198)
- Pompe Bisset (erf 29)
- Mike Perry (erf 291)

The NVRA extended its condolences to relatives of the deceased.

2. Present and apologies.

Due to covid restrictions, no direct invitations to attend the meeting were issued. 35 People attended the meeting, and signed the meeting register.

3. Vote of thanks.

The following were thanked for the contributions to the NVRA throughout the year;

- Marco Barnardo(Superintendent) and his team in maintaining Natures Valley

- Municipal officials: Anje Taljaard and Franclyn Samuel
- To the NG Kerk's Dominee Chris Du Preez and Mara and Dries Kruger allowing the NVRA use of the hall.
- Sanparks as part of CNP, new Senior Section Ranger, Euginia Mkhathswa, and Section Ranger, Mthandazo Tshofela
- The Roux family once again for allowing Fidelity-ADT hut installation on their property
- To the full and co-opted members of the committee who have provided loyal support throughout the year.
- Annamarie Kovacik for managing the office and communicating with members and owners in a friendly and professional way.
- The NVT under Duncan Hay for its support throughout the year and for the important role they play in keeping us informed on environmental issues. A thanks particularly go to the NVT's help in organising the Covie kids Xmas party
- The Lifesavers under Jonny Prins of Bitou, who do an important job with limited resources.
- Fidelity-ADT for excellent service provided during year.
- To Dup venter for funding cleaners to remove waste from the R102 road verges, and
- To Francette Le Roux and Ina Faber for their contributions in funding dog litter bags during the holiday season

The Chairman apologized to those who he inadvertently omitted

4. **Approval of Minutes of 2019 AGM.**

The Chairman proposed acceptance of the 2019 AGM minutes which had been sent to all members.

Ms Erica Liebenberg proposed that the minutes be accepted.

5. **Matters arising from minutes of 2019 AGM.**

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

6. **Chairman's Report.**

The Chairman presented his Annual Report for 2020 which included activities and achievements in the preceding 12 months. The report can be found on the NVRA website <https://www.nvra.co.za/news/>

The following are the main points dealt with in the report;

a) **Municipal Matters and the IDP Budget**

Rising municipal debt levels from poor revenue collection is likely to deteriorate amidst a background of an increase in poverty levels and tightening fiscal management from national and provincial government. It was anticipated that this will result in delays in planned infrastructure upgrades

Items requiring attention within the next 3-year budget period are;

- Completion of the electrical ring main requiring a mini substation near Arum Street
- Repair of electrical metering boxes
- Maintenance of the paved section of lagoon drive
- Sewage management and the formalising of approval requirements for septic tanks/conservancy tanks
- Water reservoir – increased capacity

b) Bitou MoU

The MoU signed with the Municipality regulating the provision of a Municipal Superintendent to oversee the provision of certain services in Natures Valley requires renewal when the next Council is constituted (December 2021)

c) Water Supply

The IDP budget includes an amount of R8m for the period 20/21 – 22/23 however the planned start date has been continually delayed due to re-budgeting

d) Roads

Resurfacing of large section of all 4 main streets in Natures Valley was completed during the year however the responsibility for maintaining the paved section of Lagoon drive has still to be clarified with the Municipality

e) Erf 130

All parties have agreed on the wording of the settlement agreement which is to be signed by all parties and registered with the court.

f) Local Area Spatial Planning and Zoning Scheme

After a round of public participation reviews and comments, a further draft of the Municipal Spatial development Framework is expected in 2021.

A draft of the Zoning Scheme bylaw was issued to, and commented on by, the NVRA. While the NVRA has requested that Bitou Municipality consider an application for an overlay zone for Natures Valley, further re-zoning drafts are expected in 2021

g) Security

Month	Break in	Break in & theft	Trespassing	Loitering/ Nuisance	Lockdown infringement	Drone	Illegal fires
January	1	2	1	1			
February			1				
March	1	4		1			
April				1		1	
May					3		
June	1		6				3
July	1	2		1			1
August		1		3			
September	1	3	3				
October		2					
November							4
December			1				1
Total	5	14	12	7	3	1	9

Many of the incidents of trespassing, loitering and illegal fires were attributed to one individual. FADT and SANParks have been requested to carry out regular monitoring of the individual in the dunes and township

h) Baboon Management

Raiding with signs of aggression from baboons have increased and a number of discussions have been held with Bitou Municipality and with baboon management service providers in the Overstrand and Cape Peninsula. The recommendation is that efforts should be directed towards effective waste management (baboon proofing bins at beach entrances and the WTS and the education of short-term visitors

i) Contractual National parks (CNP) and Estuary Steering Committee (ESC)

2 meetings for each of these two aspects of the management of the dunes, lagoon shore and the estuary were held in 2020 and will be ongoing throughout 2021 which will also include breaching monitoring and the monitoring of lagoon pollution levels.

j) Fire Prevention

No fires were reported in or near to Natures Valley in 2020.

7. Finances.

The Treasurer and Vice Chairman James Martin was asked to present a summary of the NVRA's finances which is attached.

It was proposed that the voluntary contribution be maintained at R 1 000 for the year ending June 2021. This was unanimously supported.

Below is a summary of the finances to June 2020:

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the 12 Months to 30 June 2020.

	R	R
INCOME		220 264
CONTRIBUTIONS/ DONATIONS	215 669	
BANK INTEREST	4 595	
EXPENSES		149 836
CONTRACTS (Salaries)	90 326	
OFFICE EXPENSES	36 028	
COMMUNICATIONS NEWSLETTERS	4 115	
COVIE CHRISTMAS PARTY	3 379	
LEGAL FEES	-	
REPAIRS and MAINTENANCE	4 441	
SOUTHERN CAPE FIRE PROTECTION SUBS	3 666	
SDF Plan Practice	3 483	
WAGES SUPERINTENDENT STAFF	2 400	
WEBSITE	2 000	
SURPLUS of INCOME OVER EXPENSES		70 427
FUNDS ON HAND at 30 JUNE 2020.		176 628

8. Election of NVRA Office bearers for 2021.

Messrs. Owen, Blaine, Martin and Muller indicated that they were willing to stand for re-election.

Paul Erens, Peter Harpur, Francois Kruger and Conrad Wiehahn advised that they will not be available for re-election. Libby Spies had resigned from the committee. Paul Erens kindly agreed to be co-opted to assist with security and building plan approvals and Conrad Wiehahn offered to continue assisting with municipal planning matters when required as a co-opted member. The NVRA thank them all for their service and contribution over the years

New Nominations:

Nominations for committee members were requested as set out in the AGM Notice. No nominations were received from the floor

9. Questions and Discussion.

a) Jill McIlleron (erf 103)

(Q) There was no mention of an integrated sewage scheme for Natures Valley – has it dropped off the agenda?

(A) An integrated waste sewage feasibility study was developed by a consulting company for the municipality but was impractical as it required pumping waste top the Kurland plant. No further proposals have been received from the Municipality

b) George Cilliers

(Q) Do we have a recycling project in natures Valley?

(A) We have recycling bins located at the WTS for glass and cardboard. The recyclables are collected by 3rd party contractor. Property owners are required to deposit their recyclables at the bins in the WTS

c) Jan Vermaak (erf 200)

(Q) Can lagoon water be checked more frequently, and the results made available?

(A) Yes, the Municipality is required to take monthly samples from the lagoon and to provide reports which are submitted to the NVRA and SANParks. NVRA will make the results available to residents through newsletters and/or the NVRA website

d) Dup venter (erf 374)

(Q) Can dogs be restricted from swimming in the lagoon during peak holiday season?

(A) There are no restrictions on dogs swimming in the lagoon in the green zone shown on the dog zone boards.

10. **Closing.**

The Chairman thanked those attending for their support and wished them a pleasant holiday.