**Port Alfred Ratepayers and Residents AGM 23rd March 2023 5.30 pm**

1. Welcome: L. Luppnow welcomed everyone. Business Forum and Sunshine Coast Tourism were especially welcomed as PARRA work in conjunction with these organisations.
2. Apologies: L Guest, N & R Nell
3. Financial Statement: M Roesstorff reported on the PARRA’S Financials. (See attached.)
4. Chairperson’s Report: (See attached.)
5. Vice Chairperson’s Report: (See attached.)
6. Election of the Executive. The following members had been proposed and seconded according to PARRA’S constitution which required nominations to be sent to the Secretary 14 days in advance of the AGM. D van Wyk, L Luppnow, J van Wyk, B Rowlston, J Rice, R Mouton, M Hosty and M Roesstorff. It was proposed that representatives from Tourism and Business Forum attend Exco meeting so the 3 organisations do not overlap on projects.
7. General: Questions were asked about indigent grants which D van Wyk explained were problematic as residents did not want to register as indigents as they were then not able to loan money. The NLM were working on the problem. There is no way of controlling the overuse of the indigent water and electricity allocation. R 117 500 000 is the amount NLM receives in equitable share from the Government. Questions were asked about the RO plants. D van Wyk replied that QFS reneged on their contractual agreement and the 2ML RO plant was closed while the dispute was resolved in court. Water extraction from the behind the Weir is problematic as the pumps are not maintained properly and this leads to insufficient pumping to PA. PARRA requested and succeeded in getting a dedicated pipeline installed from behind the Weir to the Sarel Haywood Dam. Date and times of budget meeting are advertised in various forums. Stone work grant used or not? D van Wyk replied that the grant was used to repair the Kowie river bank walls. Quarterly water samples from the river are published by NLM. Water testing of boreholes does not comply with SANS requirements. Rhodes University also do water testing on the Kowie river water.
8. Closure.