**CONSTANTIA KLOOF NORTH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

**(“CKN“)**

**MINUTES OF THE CKN MEETING HELD AT 23 BOOMGOM STREET**

**ON 20 JULY 2016 AT 19H30**

**PRESENT** : As per Attendance register

**APOLOGIES** : As per attendance register

**IN ATTENDANCE** : Anne Brown (Secretary)

**WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting. The apologies were noted.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

The Chairman opened the meeting with a discussion for the improvement, if so required, of the CKN operating model. There then followed a spirited debate on the pros and cons of the model. Whilst a number of small problems were identified it was found that these were operational in nature and were not the fault of the model. It was pointed out that CKN’s model is working, if the crime stats for our Association are compared to elsewhere in the Honeydew CPF. Not only are our crime stats lower but our financial and membership contributions are significantly lower than anywhere else. It was also pointed out that many Associations are trying to use the CKN model as a basis for themselves, some with success and some without. The consensus of the discussion was that our model works but as with everything it needs to be continuously ‘tweaked’ to counteract the constant changes in criminal patterns and if possible we must endeavor to be one step ahead.

The Chairman reported on the CKN crime stats for the past four months, which showed a spike in April / May with burglaries, armed robberies and hi-jacking having taken place. June / July have shown a decrease in burglaries but culminated in the hijacking on 13 July in Boomgom Street, which was the subject of a flyer distributed to every home in CKN.

**DOWRY / SECURITY**

Our security provider continues with its services. There was however a complaint about one incident of the patrol car been absent from the area for an extended period, this was reported to the Chairman who had immediately contact Dowry and had the situation corrected. The Chairman asked that all residents report any suspicious activities to Dowry immediately. A phone call directly to the patrolling cars rather than the “Whatsap”.

Dowry are known to escort residents home when and if needed.

**FINANCES**

In the absence of the Treasurer, the Chairman reported that the financial balances of the Associations which are sufficient to meet current expenditure.

A request was made that all the members who pay lump sums as opposed to monthly contributions advise as to what month the payment will be made, to facilitate financial planning and to prevent the members been shown as delinquent.

**CAMERAS**

There is a need to reposition a camera due to building developments in the area. This will be given priority. Boards are to be arranged to state the presence of CCTV cameras in the area.

All residents are to be encouraged to go the online survey with regards to the “Fibre Optics” cable installation as the provider requires an interest level of 30% whilst currently we stand at 5%. This would benefit and speed up the downloading of the CCTV camera information.

It was pointed out that this survey is a show of interest only and not a commitment.

**AREA MAINTENANCE**

Frik reported that the Kroton fence needs to be repainted. A contact is to be made in order to obtain the required materials at cost.

**WEBSITE**

Jenny is constantly updating the website with current news and views. People are to be encouraged to visit and comment with views, updates etc.

**GENERAL**

The Chairman suggested that CKN hold a social event in the near future. This could be in the form of a “Spring Celebration” in the park and also “Halloween”, which proved to be very successfully last year.

It was mentioned that one of the empty properties had been sold and is in the process of renovations.

The Chairman said that there is a diagram of the expansion of the Jim Fouche / Constantia Drive intersection on the website. It is understood that the contract for this work is out on tender at the present time.

Vagrants are constantly been removed and unfortunately reappear. The dustbin scavengers appear to have made a return and Dowry is to be requested to encourage them to go elsewhere.

There being no further issues to discuss, the Chairman thanked the attendees and declared the meeting closed.

The date and venue of the next meeting will be advised.

**CHAIRMAN**