**CONSTANTIA KLOOF NORTH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

**(“CKN“)**

**MINUTES OF THE CKN AGM HELD AT CALENDULA ON 29 MAY 2018 AT 19H00**

**PRESENT** : As per Attendance register

**APOLOGIES** : As per attendance register

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

**WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and the apologies were noted. A special welcome was given to Amelia Bester CKN ward Counselor and to Harm Botha – MD of Dowry.

The Chairman commenced the meeting by thanking Klein Constantia for their Hospitality in hosting the meeting.

The Minutes for the 2017 AGM were reviewed and accepted.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

In the last year CKN had 19 crime incidents which was a drop from the previous year. With the only exception been burglaries that increased by on. It was pointed out that there is a pattern of increase in violence during robberies nationally and therefore it is imperative to have an efficient and proactive security partner which CKN has in Dowry. CKN was founded 21 years ago and has progressed well with the current lifestyle. Many of the local Associations on the West Rand are envious of our success and assistance is given to them by the Chairman, John Baisley, who has been associated with CKN for the last 19 years. Whilst one cannot guarantee a crime free neighbourhood CKN will continue to do its outmost to keep all families safe.

We have a blue print that works but it will not be taken for granted and it will be improved where ever possible. One matter that is off immediate concern is the student lodging establishment in Bamboes St. This matter is been investigated by the local authorities as we are led to believe no rezoning / licenses / permission was granted for this business. It was stated by the Chairman that whilst genuine businesses that have the correct authority are welcome. However CKN does accept that businesses maybe run from home it does not accept, unless approved by the authorities, homes turned into businesses.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Membership remains high and shows a small but steady increase. This could be dramatically improved taking into account that there are some 90 houses that are not registered as members. It is also apparent that some existing members are struggling to pay the monthly subscription in this current financial situation. CKN would like to reiterate that it has a policy of not turning away any resident who is battling and request that affected members contact the Chairman.

**FINANCE**

CKN is financial solvent and is currently able to meet its monthly financial commitments Approximately 90% of the subscription received go to our security partner Dowry with the balance been for admin, cctv , maintenance and miscellaneous repairs to the fence etc. finance. However, CKN did report a loss for 2017 of R60 000. This loss was caused by the addition of the day time bicycle patrol.

The bicycle patrol was originally to be a short tern reaction however it has been welcomed by the residents and is to be retained for the foreseeable future. The 2018 membership subscription has not been increased and remain at R300 per month per household.

CKN strives to provide the maximum security for the minimum cost. This does mean, however that a very tight grip has to be held on the finances and all members are requested to ensure that payments to CKN are kept up to date whenever possible.

**DOWRY**

The Chairman then once again detailed the process whereby Dowry was selected as the current security service provider. He assured the meeting that there was a very close liaison with Dowry management at all times. Regular spot checks were carried out on the patrol vehicles, if any resident is unhappy with the service provided they must please contact him to that the matter can be resolved at the highest level in Dowry.

It was also pointed out that Dowry provide many unseen extras, such as unmarked cars, additional vehicles at peak times and random sweeps of the area.

Dowry agreed not to raise their membership fees.

At this point the floor was handed to Harm MD of Dowry, who explained the process undertaken by his company. It was acknowledged that within the boundaries of CKN signal strength varied this is been investigated and signal boosters have been install to correct this situation. He also stated that should a situation develop with CKN that requires additional help this is available as Dowry vehicles from neighbouring areas are always on emergency back-up.

Dowry have also made available a new security app that allows the member to initiate their residential panic button remotely.

Also on display was an electric gate motor security box, designed by Harm in conjunction an engineering company it is of very robust construction and will retail for approx R850. Enquiries directly to Harm. In closing Harm reiterated his commitment to the protection and well being of the residents of CKN.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Amilia Bester, CKN ward’s Counselor addressed the meeting with an update of current council matters and procedures.

**COMMITTEE ELECTION**

The Chairman thanked the outgoing Committee for their past service. The Committee stood down and they were duly re-elected by the attendees.

**GENERAL**

The chairman and Dowry requested that people do not post crime scence photos on social media without the permission of the SAP as this causes problems during the prosecution of individuals in the courts.

A car boot sale will be organized for the 16 June in the Calendula Park. A cake sale, raffle and other stalls with items for sale. Money collected from the car boot sale and raffle will be donated to CKN.

**CHAIRMAN’S CLOSING STATEMENT**

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**