**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held**

DATE: Wednesday the 7th of September 2022

TIME: 6:30 pm

VENUE: Development House, 76 Esplanade, Darwin NT

CHAIR: Tony Hillier

**Welcome and Apologies**

President Tony Hillier welcomed all present and accepted apologies as per below table.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Member Organisation** | **Attendee Name** | **Apologies Name** |
| Earthbuilt Pty Ltd | Tony Hillier |  |
| Halkitis Bros | Nick Halkitis |  |
| Constructability NT |  | Brad Pearce |
| Hasting Deering | Brad Read & John Kambouris |  |
| KSI Land & Water Planning |  | Ian Lancaster |
| JN Mousellis Civil Contractors | Peter Mousellis |  |
| Capricorn |  | Ben Johnson |
| Aldebaran Quarries | Bill Skews |  |
| Alice Springs Sand Supplies |  | John Bilato |
| Remote Industries Aust | Jared Baldwin |  |
| Sage Contracting | Sam Sage |  |
| Ostojic |  | Geoff Hill |
| EcOz |  | Ray Hall |
| Komatsu | Damien Loller |  |
| Territory Sands | Nigel Doyle |  |

**Attendance & Apologies**

**Minutes of the previous AGM held 10th August 2021**

A motion to accept the previous AGM’s minutes was:

Moved: Bill Skews.

Seconded: Peter Mousellis and approved unanimously.

**Presidents Report 2021 – 2022 – Tony Hillier**

It is my privilege to have been, President of the Extractive Industries Association of NT (EIA) since April 2019 and to now Chair this our annual meeting and my fourth report as President.

EIA has made further progress this last twelve months towards realizing its goal of

**“Being the voice of its Members to all Stakeholders, towards a more balanced and efficient operating environment.”**

To achieve this goal, we have a strategy of providing representation to all levels of government, reviewing relevant legislation, regulation and submitting suggestions that improve our operating environment, as well as providing forums for our members and their guests from time to time to learn at and/or simply socialise with colleagues.

I’d like to take this opportunity to outline our accomplishments on your behalf. Firstly, we divide our efforts, particularly our CEO along the following lines.

Now to achievements over the last year or three!

**Membership**. Over the past three years, membership has increased. The increase in Associate Memberships shows interest in being associated with the sector.

Membership revenue is at its highest ever level.

**Corporate**. Over the last four years we have stabilized revenue and expenses as our Treasurer will point out in more detail shortly. During this same period, we have become compliant with the ATO, Attorney General’s Department, Insurance requirements and re- secured long-term low-cost office accommodation.

**Influencing.**

* Good Relationships established with all levels of government, in readiness for adverse event management.
* Reduced the size of Mining Management Plans by approximately half.
* Argued against the Environmental Legislation & Regulation, this challenge is ongoing.
* Argued against Extractives being included in the Mining Remediation Fund, this challenge is ongoing.
* Argued for the same Rehabilitation Requirements for Mining Lease holders and Borrow Pit users successfully.
* Argued that Mining Leases that are no longer useable due to changes outside the lease holder’s control e.g., recently declared threatened species should be compensated, this challenge is ongoing.
* Argued for approval to recycle concrete on EMP’s and EML’s continue to be an approved activity, this challenging is ongoing.
* Presented the case for export of sand be encouraged to the Mineral Development Taskforce, this opportunity is ongoing.

**Going Forward.**

* Lobby to minimize impact of shift of Mining Site Regulation from DITT to DEPWS, to reduce and at a minimum have no increase in regulatory requirements.
* Continue to argue that Mining Leases that are no longer useable due to changes outside the lease holder’s control e.g., recently declared threatened species should be compensated
* Continue to argue for Extractive Industries to be removed from the Mining Remediation Fund and if not successful, that Extractive’s contributions be used for Extractive Mine Site Rehabilitation, not other mining types.
* Dramatically increase the communities understanding and appreciation for the essential nature of the Extractive Industry, its products, and services.
* Lobby to ensure material access is on a level playing field for all parties. E.g., mining on indigenous lands for commercial gain requires an EMP regardless of who you are.

**Conclusion.**

As we all know, it is not one person that makes an association or even a few at any one time, rather the sum of its members, are greater than the individuals and this is, the case for us. I follow a long list of capable Presidents. As is always the case the Presidents and Executive Committee’s highest priority is to ensure they have the best possible CEO in place to lead the organisation. This year we continue to enjoy the services of CEO Tim Burrow to ensure our association keeps pace with our ever-changing environment and we look forward to him building on the base he has formed. I will let Tim speak to that for himself in a moment.

Before we hear from Tim and our Treasurer, Nick Halkitis, l wish, to clearly thank the Executive Committee for their diligent and hard work over the past year. Bill Skews as Vice President, Nick Halkitis as Treasurer, Sandra Johnson as Secretary (retiring) and Committee Members, Peter Mousellis, Ian Lancaster, (retiring) Bill Skewes, Jared Baldwin, John Bilato, Sam Sage, and Geoff Hill (retiring). Without these people’s extensive efforts our goals would be unachievable.

We will continue, and I wish the incoming committee great success, as the territory knows it can build on us!

**Treasurer’s Report 2021 – 2022 - Nick Halkitis**

This past financial year 202/22 has been another year of fiscal consolidation for the association. Our revenue was up significantly on the previous year due to new memberships, whilst expenses were up marginally year on year and in line with budget. This resulted in a loss of $12k dollars. Our bank balance at the end of the financial year was $51k.

Next year our budget indicates a further increase in revenue predominantly form the increase in membership fees already instigated and expenses are flat to slightly down. Subsequently our budget is a breakeven budget. In mine and the Executive Committees opinion, this is appropriate for our peak industry association. We will look for further sponsorship and or grants as opportunity and or need arises to implement industry improvement.

It’s mine and your Executive Committee’s opinion we can pay our bills as and when they become due.

As your Treasurer I move that the Audited Financial Report, having been made available 3 weeks ago and now before you be accepted and agreed.

Seconded: Tony Hillier and approved unanimously.

**Election of Executive Committee 2021-2022**

Nominations were received from eight members, seconded and they are financial members, as per the below table:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Position** | **Nominee** |
| Committee Person | Anastasi Kambourakis |
| Committee Person | Nigel Doyle |
| Committee Person | Nick Halkitis |
| Committee Person | Peter Mousellis |
| Committee Person | Sam Sage |
| Committee Person | Jared Baldwin |
| Committee Person | Bill Skews |
| Committee Person | John Bilato |

There being less candidates nominated than available positions no election was necessary, and

the candidates were duly appointed by acclamation.

**Election of Executive Committee Office Bearers 2021-2022**

There was only one nomination for each of the positions of Vice President – Bill Skews and Treasurer – Nick Halkitis, so they were duly elected, however there were no nominations for the positions of President and Secretary. It was agreed to leave the selection of President and Secretary to the Executive Committee at its next meeting.

The current Public Officer – CEO Tim Burrow, was re-appointed.

**Appointment of Auditor 2021-202**2

A Motion to appoint Betta Business Consultant’s as the auditor for 2021-2022

Moved: Sam Sage

Seconded: Nigel Doyle and agree unanimously.

**General Business**

There was no General Business. A general discussion around the need for the NT Mines Branch to continue to approve recycling of concrete on extractive leases & permits ensued.

**Meeting Closed at 7:45pm and was followed by dinner at Char**