

Stormwater Victoria Annual General Meeting Minutes

Via Zoom Meeting Thursday, 27th August 2020

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The 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Stormwater Victoria was held via Zoom Meetings from 12.05 pm until 12.19 pm.

1. MEETING CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

Jamie Tainton welcomed members and guests to the AGM and gave an Acknowledgement of Country.

2. ATTENDANCE

Aaron Dowling

Aditya Saxena

Alice Lisitsa

Bahman Esfandiar

Celine Marchenay

Charlotte Beresford

Chris Beardshaw

Colin McLeod

Ed Henty

Esther Kay

Jacqueline Woodlock

Jamie Tainton

Jenny Robertson

Jess Ward

Justin Hinch

Katie Prout

Kim Chung

Leigh Holmes

Lucas Buncle

Luke Ervine

Maria Matamala

Michael Mag

Mircea Stancu



Nausheen Obaid Rachelle Adamowicz Sarah Watkins Selveen Veerapen Stephen D'Agata Tania Struzina Tracey Pham Valerie Mag

APOLOGIES AND PROXIES

Name	Organisation	Proxy to
Anne Pugh	Urban Water Solutions	Celine Marchenay
Kate Berg	City of Melbourne	Celine Marchenay
Brad Clingin	Wannon Water	Celine Marchenay
Warwick Bishop	Water Technology	Kim Chung
Alex Barton	Melbourne Water	Celine Marchenay

3. MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 29th August 2019

Resolution: That the Minutes of AGM held on 30th August 2019 be confirmed.

MOVED: Rachelle Adamowicz SECONDED: Aaron Dowling

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes of the 2019 AGM.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence tabled at the Annual General Meeting.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the 2020 Annual General Meeting. This is my first Presidents Report and we have had a cracker of a year.

For those looking back at this Annual Report in the decades to come I think it's important to outline the changes we have faced in the second half of the 2019-2020 financial year (even though it feels like I'm covering old ground). For those living in the "now", we have seen our stormwater industry



pivot and move away from working in an office and face to face meetings. Our new norm is working from home and endless virtual meetings using platforms like Zoom and Microsoft Teams.

For Stormwater Victoria, that has meant postponing physical events and picking up new technology to support our members and the broader industry. Our strong partnership with GEMS Event Management has meant that our professionalism and accessibility hasn't dropped over this period, in fact I'm very happy to report our reach has widened and our regional members are feeling much more engaged. We are getting around three times more attendees in our new webinar format than we ever got to our physical seminars, which is a fantastic outcome and level of engagement. Together with GEMs, our events team have upskilled and dived into these webinars with enthusiasm and passion leading to great speakers, positive partnerships and a greater variety of topics than I ever expected.

There is no doubting that these changes have impacted the association financially. Whilst a "not-for-profit" organisation, we need funds to operate and undertake industry led projects. We have been so grateful for the support of the industry with companies like CityGreen, lota, and Wave Maintenance supporting our webinars with WaterTech locked in for the next October event too. Thank you very much to Melbourne Water for signing on as our Association sponsor for another 2 years. Melbourne Water and Stormwater Victoria have a long history of collaborative partnership and I'm so grateful to facilitate the continuation of that during my term as President.

We have been working hard this year to formalise the background business fundamental processes of a "not-for-profit" like us. Together with the rest of executive team, this has included:

- utilising the shared working environment at the NAB Village so we now have our own meeting rooms, conference room and open working spaces available to our entire committee as needed.
- re-established core key email addresses to provide more official lines of communication across the committee and industry.
- developed a centralised cloud-based document storage facility to house all our documentation.
- developed a committee "Induction" session to be held for the first time after this AGM.
- refreshed the Code of Conduct to ensure the committee and visitors/attendees and those who interact with our team understand the simple expectations of courtesy and justified influence.
- updated committee handbook.

I was very excited to be part of our recent planning session hosted by our Advocacy team to establish project priorities, assign resources and finalise a broad Stormwater Victoria strategic direction. The Advocacy team did a phenomenal job pulling this event together and utilised the Miro Board software to revolutionise discussion over the online session. I can't thank them enough for their time and effort pulling this together for us.

Our Special Projects team have been a very active group in our committee over the past year. As many of you have already seen we have introduced "The Outlet", a newsletter triggered by our strong relationship with our industry partners like DELWP. With the aim of sending out a newsletter



every two months, we have been really grateful for the positive response to the two newsletters that have been released. Our Special Projects team have also been looking at the National SQIDEP protocol. Whilst I have personally distanced myself due to personal conflicts of interest, I have been kept informed of basic progression and collaboration between our sub-committee and other organisations of which I'm really proud.

Finally, thank you to you the membership for your attendance at the events and passion for the industry. Thank you for your patience and feedback as we moved in this ever-changing world and adapted to new technology, family commitments, and the general fear of the unknown. We have still managed to achieve great things together despite the uncertainty and hardship we have all faced. We have found positives in the changes and grown in areas we never expected to. I'm truly amazed by what we can do, even when faced with adversity like we have.

From the words of Dory from the 2003 Disney Classic, Finding Nemo: Just Keep Swmming!

Resolution: That the President's Report be confirmed.

MOVED: Justin Hinch SECONDED: Colin McLeod

7. TREASURERS REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Treasurer's Report (including the Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet for 2019/2020) is contained within the Annual Report.

Resolution: That the Treasurer's Report be confirmed.

MOVED: Sarah Watkins SECONDED: Jamie Tainton

8. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE AND OFFICE BEARERS

The 2019/2020 Stormwater Victoria Management Committee were required to step down. As all no members of the Executive have been elected for two years, their term will end at the Annual General Meeting in August 2021 and therefore the executive were not required to step down.

The following members of the 2019/2020 Committee had advised they were stepping down from the committee or did not renominate:

Kate Matthews, Tract Elizabeth Smolinska, Jacobs Luke McLean, BECA Jenny Robertson, Cardinia Council Tony Barrett, AECOM Zoe O'Hara, Beveridge Williams Simon Robertson, GHD



Based on the Electronic Ballot, the following nominees were elected to positions on the Stormwater Victoria Committee for 2020/2021:

Name	Organisation	Position
Jamie Tainton	Afflux Consulting	Committee Member
Sarah Watkins	Melbourne Water	Committee Member
Colin McLeod	Moorandah Council	Committee Member
Rachelle Adamowicz	Melbourne Water	Committee Member
Aaron Dowling	E2Designlab	Committee Member
Bahman Esfandiar	WSP	Committee Member
Tracey Pham	Afflux Consulting	Committee Member
Justin Hinch	City of Greater Geelong	Committee Member
Nausheen Obaid	City of Casey	Committee Member
Jessica Ward	Spiire	Committee Member
Alice Lisitsa	Arup	Committee Member
Katie Prout	Engeny	Committee Member
Maria Matamala	Engeny	Committee Member
Charlotte Beresford	Melbourne Water	Committee Member
Michael Mag	Stormy Water Solutions	Committee Member
Jacqueline Woodlock	Beveridge Williams	Committee Member
Stephen D'Agata	Golder Associates	Committee Member
Celine Marchenay	Water Technology	Committee Member
Tania Struzina	Clearwater	Adjunct Committee Member

Resolution: That the nominations for the Stormwater Victoria Committee be accepted.

MOVED: Chris Beardshaw SECONDED: Esther Kay

9. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Resolution: That E H Tan be reappointed as auditors for the Stormwater Victoria for 2020/2021



MOVED: Rachelle Adamowicz SECONDED: Nausheen Obaid

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

Jamie Tainton thanked the members of the 2019/2020 Stormwater Victoria Committee and expressed her excitement for the year to come.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Annual General Meeting for Stormwater Victoria will be held in August 2021.

12. CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the President, Jamie Tainton closed the meeting at 12.19 pm

These minutes form a true record of the business of the Stormwater Victoria Annual General Meeting held on Thursday, 27th August 2020

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Date: Thursday, 27th August 2020.