

Tararua District Council

Eketahuna Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Eketahuna Community Board held in the Eketahuna Service Centre Meeting Room, 31 Main Street, Eketahuna on Friday 5 August, 2005 commencing at 10.05 a.m.

1. Present

Messrs J M Harman (Chairperson), P J A Best (Deputy Chairperson),
C C Death, W H Davidson and Elizabeth Fraser-Davies.

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil.

3. Personal Matters

3.1 A welcome was conveyed to Mr Davidson on his return home from travelling overseas.

3.2 The Board's congratulations are to be conveyed to the Eketahuna Rugby Club to acknowledge the following achievements:-

- The senior team winning the Wairarapa Bush Championship for the third year in a row.
- The colts team making the final.

4. Notification of Any Extraordinary Business Not on the Agenda

4.1 Nil.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 ***That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 1 July, 2005 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Best/Fraser-Davies

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 **Tararua Outdoors 2005** (Item 8)
6.1.1 Two gardens within the Eketahuna area are to be open to the public as part of the Tararua Outdoors programme.

6.2 **Eketahuna Gardens Maintenance Contract** (Item 10.3)

6.2.1 It was noted that no tenders were received for the Eketahuna Gardens Maintenance Contract.

6.2.2 Board Member Best is to follow up on this matter to ascertain if there is any local interest in being considered to undertake this work.

6.3 **Alfredton Road Stormwater Drains** (Item 10.1)

6.3.1 ***That with regard to the Alfredton Road stormwater project the Board:-***

- ***Notes the work programmed has been completed at a considerably lower cost than budgeted, ie. \$60,000 budget / \$25,600 spent.***
- ***Acknowledges the work carried out has improved part of Alfredton Road, but there is a further area similar in length that also needs to be done.***
- ***Recommends to the Council it undertakes additional work to complete the Alfredton Road stormwater improvements on the remaining area, and funds this cost from the balance of the budget allocation (\$34,400) still available for this project.***

Davidson/Fraser-Davies

Carried

6.4 **Tararua Safer Community Council** (Item 10.5)

6.4.1 Board Member Fraser-Davies will report next month on the forthcoming meeting of the Tararua Safer Community Council.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 3 August, 2005 (as tabled) be received.***

Fraser-Davies/Death

Carried

8. Reports

8.1 **Proposed Alteration to the Name of Mangahao South Road**

8.1.1 ***That the report from the Governance Manager dated 27 July, 2005 concerning a proposal to alter the name of Mangahao South Road (as circulated) be received, and***

That the Board supports the recommendation to rename this road to become part of Kopikopiko Road (which it adjoins and follows on from the end of).

Fraser-Davies/Best

Carried

9. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities

9.1 Nireaha Domain Board

9.1.1 The Nireaha Domain Board have recently held their Annual General Meeting, and they elected Ewen Drysdale as Chairperson and Delia Carrington as Secretary/Treasurer.

9.2 Board Tour of Inspection

9.2.1 A report concerning the Board's tour of inspection of various areas in Eketahuna held on 1 August, 2005 was tabled by Board Member Best.

9.2.2 The Board expressed general satisfaction with the appearance of the town and the facilities and community services it inspected.

9.2.3 The Board identified some matters which require attention, and these will be referred to the appropriate Council staff for follow up.

9.2.4 Board Member Best will arrange to submit a service request setting out the details of the items to be raised.

9.2.5 ***That the Board convey its appreciation to John Haar for the work which he has undertaken to enhance and tidy the Cliff Walk, and***

That the Board advise the matter of access to the walk requires careful consideration before any decisions are made.

Harman/Best

Carried

9.3 Anzac Bridge Restoration Project

9.3.1 The Board will await the return from overseas of Dr Kay Flavell (New Pacific Studio) to discuss options to progress this project.

9.4 MidCentral District Health Board Meeting

9.4.1 Board Member Best reported on the MidCentral District Health Board meeting held recently in Eketahuna. This report included reference to the following:-

- The meeting was well attended by members of the community, and they appreciated the Board being in Eketahuna.
- The reduction of G.P's in rural communities is of concern.
- The provision of transport services from the southern end of the district is an issue.

- There is no resident midwife within the Tararua District.
- Assistance is available to provide insulation in homes.
- The provision of G.P beds at Waireka Home is an issue.
- The release of patients from hospital and the availability of support to assist their recovery is an issue.

10. Correspondence

10.1 *That the correspondence as listed be received:*

- (a) *Hon Chris Carter MP – Minister of Local Government* **7 July, 2005**
Re: Additional costs being faced by rural communities and the upgrading of water treatment systems.
- (b) *Senior Sergeant ASR Johnstone, Pahiatua Police* **8 July, 2005**
Re: Law enforcement in Eketahuna
- (c) *Local Government Commission* **14 July, 2005**
Re: Acknowledgement of the Board's submission on the proposal to transfer part of the Tararua District to Palmerston North City.
- (d) *John Haar* **1 August, 2005**
Re: Cliff Walk

Davidson/Death

Carried

11. Chairman's Remarks

11.1 Nil.

12. Extraordinary Business Not on the Agenda

12.1 Nil.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 11.50am.

Chairperson