

**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 4 February, 2005 commencing at 10.05am.

1. Present

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

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor	-	Governance Manager
Mr S Taylor	-	Manager District Assets

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil.

3. Personal Matters

3.1 It was noted that Mr Bob Morgan has been appointed to the position of Eketahuna Main Street Committee Chairperson.

4. Notification Of Any Extraordinary Business Not on The Agenda

4.1 Nil.

5. Eketahuna Water Treatment Upgrade Options

5.1 The Chairperson welcomed the Manager of District Assets to the meeting, and invited him to address the Board.

5.2 The Manager of District Assets introduced the report prepared by Opus Consultants concerning options to upgrade the treatment of the Eketahuna Water Supply, and responded to questions raised by board members.

5.3 It was noted that at the present time data is being obtained to ascertain the turbidity of the Eketahuna Water Supply.

Also the changes to legislation relating to drinking water standards are being awaited, as this will influence what option is preferred to upgrade the water quality.

5.4 The Manager of District Assets circulated to board members for their information a copy of the consent conditions relating to the Eketahuna Water Supply.

Consent was recently granted to abstract water from the Makakahi River for a term expiring on 19 November, 2019 subject to various conditions.

5.5 The Chairperson thanked the Manager of District Assets for attending the meeting to update the Board on what is occurring concerning the Eketahuna Water Supply.

It is important to the community that progress is made to upgrade the water supply within a reasonable timetable at an affordable cost.

5.6 The following matters were also raised with the Manager of District Assets:-

- Logs in the river at the Eketahuna Camping Ground. This will be referred to the Community Assets Manager for follow up.
- Areas within Eketahuna as noted in the previous minutes are experiencing problems with surplus water when it rains heavily. The Manager of District Assets will follow up on this matter.
- The standard of routine maintenance, and the need to ensure that this work is done to prevent greater problems from occurring at a later date.
- Access is not possible to the Marima Domain at present due to the poor condition of the tracks.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 ***That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 3 December, 2004 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

***Death/Best***

***Carried***

7. Matters Arising from the Minutes

7.1 Delivery of Manawatu Standard to Eketahuna (Item 6.5)

7.1.1 The Board's letter to the editor of the Manawatu Standard expressing its disappointment at their actions to provide a reduced delivery service to Eketahuna has been published.

7.2 Location of Speed Signs (Item 8.2.2)

7.2.1 Discussions have taken place regarding the arrangements for the location of the speed restriction sign on Stanley Street.

7.3 Eketahuna Swimming Baths (Item 8.5)

7.3.1 The learners pool at the swimming baths has not been available for use due to repairs being required.

7.4 South Road Number 2 (Item 8.2.4)

7.4.1 It is disappointing to note that the sealing work required to permanently repair the pot hole on South Road Number 2 has still not been done.

7.5 Draft Management Plan for Akitio Beach Reserves South of the Boating Club (Item 9.2)

7.5.1 The recent tsunami event overseas may raise issues which need to be considered in relation to this matter.

7.6 Waitangi Day 2005 (Item 11.3)

7.6.1 The Waitangi Day picnic event has been cancelled as there was insufficient time and assistance available to make the necessary arrangements.

7.7 Community Contact (Item 6.3)

7.7.1 An invitation is to be extended to representatives from Tiraumea and Alfredton to attend the Board's next meeting.

8. Tararua District Council Report

8.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 December, 2004 (as circulated) be received.***

***Davidson/Fraser-Davies***

***Carried***

9. Reports From Board Representatives Appointed To Organisations And Assigned Responsibilities

9.1 Nireaha Domain Board

9.1.1 The Nireaha Domain Board intend to re-roof their community hall and war memorial.

9.2 Rescue Helicopter Service

9.2.1 ***That the Board convey its thanks to Her Worship the Mayor for her successful efforts to ensure the district's rescue helicopter service is retained.***

***Fraser-Davies/Best***

***Carried***

9.3 Tararua Safer Community Council

9.3.1 The Tararua Safer Community Council will be meeting this month, and Board Member Fraser-Davies is to attend and shall present a report at the Board's next meeting.

9.4 Properties In Eketahuna of Historic Heritage Significance

9.4.1 Board Member Best presented for the Board's information a list of properties in Eketahuna of historic heritage significance.

9.5 Town Gardens

9.5.1 There has been an increase of weeds growing in the town's gardens.

9.6 Invitation To Eketahuna's Police Constable

9.6.1 An open invitation is extended to Constable Darryl Rose to speak at the Board's meetings on police matters concerning the Eketahuna Community.

10. Reports

10.1 Eketahuna Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme

10.1.1 ***That the report from the Governance Manager dated 12 January, 2005 concerning the Eketahuna Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme (as circulated) be received.***

***Davidson/Death***

***Carried***

10.1.2 The guidelines for applicants are to be amended by deleting from item 5 reference to the remission of rates as the first priority for assistance.

10.1.3 ***That applications now be called for funding from the Eketahuna Community Board's 2004/2005 General Assistance Grants Scheme, and***

***That the closing date for applications be Friday 18 March, 2005 at 6.00pm.***

***Davidson/Death***

***Carried***

11. Correspondence

11.1 ***That the correspondence as listed be received:***

(a) ***Local Government New Zealand*** ***24 December, 2004***  
***Re: Zone 3 appointments to New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee***

(b) ***Gaye Watson*** ***5 December, 2004***  
***Re: Free hall hire for Party in the Park***

(c) ***Janice Percy, Eketahuna Community Librarian*** ***31 January, 2005***  
***Re: Letter of appreciation to thank the Board for funding the balloon sculpture for the library's holiday programme.***

***Best/Death***

***Carried***

11.2 Party In The Park

11.2.1 ***That the Board notes the concerns raised by Gaye Watson regarding the organisation of the Park Party community events held in Eketahuna, and***

***That the Board advise it will review its commitment to support this event in the future should any further applications for assistance be received.***

***Davidson/Fraser-Davies***

***Carried***

12. 2005 New Zealand Community Boards Conference

12.1 ***That the registration of Mr P J A Best as the Board's representative at the 2005 New Zealand Community Boards Conference be confirmed.***

***Fraser-Davies/Davidson***

***Carried***

13. Date of The Board's March Meeting

13.1 ***That to avoid a conflict of dates with the 2005 New Zealand Community Boards Conference the Board's next meeting be held on Friday 11 March, 2005 (one week later than the normal scheduled date).***

***Death/Fraser-Davies***

***Carried***

14. Chairman's Remarks

14.1 Nil

15. Extraordinary Business Not On The Agenda

15.1 Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 12.45pm.

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Chairperson