

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 July, 2008 commencing at 10.05am.

1. Present

Board Members J M Harman (Chairperson), C C Death (Deputy Chairperson), Elizabeth Fraser-Davies and Cr W H Davidson (Council appointed community board member).

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

- 2.1 *That an apology be sustained from Board Member K A M Dimock for non-attendance at the meeting.*

Death/Davidson

Carried

3. Personal Matters

- 3.1 Nil.

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

- 4.1 The Chairperson advised that the following matters would be discussed as reports from board representatives under item 9 of the agenda.

- Eketahuna Swimming Pool
- Eketahuna Community Centre Woodcarvings project
- 100th birthday celebrations of Mrs Markey

5. Confirmation of Minutes

- 5.1 *That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 6 June, 2008 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.*

Death/Fraser-Davies

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- 6.1 ***Morgans Road*** (Item 7.4.2)

- 6.1.1 The pot holes on Morgans Road have still not been fixed.

- 6.1.2 It was noted that the Morgans Road direction sign is also broken.

6.2 ***Meeting With Representatives of Transit New Zealand*** (Item 10.1.1)

6.2.1 A very constructive meeting was held with representatives of Transit New Zealand and the District Roding Manager to discuss various roading issues within the Board's area.

6.3 ***Alexander Turnbull Library*** (Item 11.2)

6.3.1 A response has not as yet been received from the Alexander Turnbull Library regarding the Board's request for copies of the Aubrey watercolours of Eketahuna which are on loan to them.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meetings held on 11 and 25 June, 2008 (as circulated) be received.***

Davidson/Death

Carried

8. Review of Bylaws

8.1 The Governance Manager briefed the Board on the Council's consultation proposal relating to the review of its bylaws.

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

9.1 ***Eketahuna Swimming Pool***

9.1.1 ***That the Board notes with grave concern the serious issues relating to the structural integrity of the Eketahuna Swimming Pool and the appalling possibility of the facility not opening next summer, and***

That this matter be raised with the Council to express the Board's apprehension regarding this totally unacceptable situation, and emphasising that urgency is needed to ensure the pools are operating for the new season, and

That the following recommendations be made to the Council setting out the Board's request for the actions it considers are required to resolve this problem:

- ***That a joint working party be established forthwith to consider options for making the Eketahuna Swimming Pool operational this summer and in the future.***
- ***That the membership of the joint working party comprise representatives of the Council's management staff and members of the Eketahuna Community Board.***

- ***That a detailed engineering assessment of the pool be commissioned without delay, including a full report on the costs of any options recommended for consideration.***
- ***That the work required to complete the assessment and to determine options for the pool be presented to a meeting of the working party by the end of August, 2008.***

Harman/Fraser-Davies

Carried

9.2 *Eketahuna Community Centre Woodcarvings Project*

9.2.1 Jeff Bryan will present his design for the woodcarvings to a meeting of the project committee on 8 July, 2008 in Eketahuna.

9.2.2 The Board agreed to make an application to the Council's Heritage Protection Reserve requesting funding towards the cost of the work being undertaken by the carver.

9.3 *100th Birthday Celebrations of Mrs Markey*

9.3.1 Due to the large numbers attending this function the venue has been changed to the Eketahuna Community Centre, and arrangements have been made for the catering.

9.3.2 It was noted that the existing stove in the Community Centre kitchen is very old and needs to be replaced.

9.3.3 The Community Assets Manager will be requested to purchase a second-hand stove for this purpose.

9.4 *Mobile Recycling Bin*

9.4.1 The area around the mobile recycling bin in Eketahuna is untidy, particularly as a result of bottle tops being dropped on the ground within the immediate vicinity.

9.4.2 The Waste Manager will be requested to follow up this matter.

10. *Correspondence*

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

(a) Horizons Regional Council ***5 June, 2008***
Re: One Plan hearings

(b) Hukanui/Hamua Women's Institute ***13 June, 2008***
Re: Letter of appreciation

(c) New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee ***June 2008***
Re: 2009 Community Boards Conference and Best Practice Awards

(d) Tararua District Council **23 June, 2008**
Re: Response to the Board's submission on the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009

(e) Eketahuna Our Town Inc **10 June, 2008**
Re: Request for reimbursement of Eketahuna Information Centre costs

Davidson/Death **Carried**

10.2 **Eketahuna Information Centre**

10.2.1 **That the request from Eketahuna Our Town Inc for the funding of costs incurred in relation to the Eketahuna Information Centre totalling \$2,961.10 be approved.**

Death/Fraser-Davies **Carried**

11. Chairman's Remarks

11.1 Nil.

12. Items 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 12.00 noon.

Chairperson