

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 3 March, 2006 commencing at 10.00 a.m.

1. Present

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

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager
Mr T Bennett - District Roding Manager

2. Apologies

2.1 *That an apology be sustained from the Chairperson – Mr J M Harman for non-attendance at the meeting.*

Death/Fraser-Davies

Carried

3. Personal Matters

3.1 The Board's congratulations were conveyed to Trevor Bennett on celebrating the occasion of reaching 40 years of local government service.

4. Notification of Any Extraordinary Business Not on the Agenda

4.1 Nil.

5. Strengthening Families

5.1 The Deputy Chairperson welcomed Wendy Lansdown (Tararua REAP Coordinator) to the meeting, and invited her to address the Board.

5.2 Wendy Lansdown spoke on the Strengthening Families service and how this operates within the Tararua District.

5.3 There was discussion on possible support which may be available to families in Eketahuna, and setting up programmes for youth in the community.

5.4 The Deputy Chairperson thanked Wendy Lansdown for attending the meeting to speak on the Strengthening Families service and to consider opportunities to provide appropriate programmes in Eketahuna.

6. Proposed Alterations to the State Highway/Alfredton Road Junction

6.1 The Deputy Chairperson welcomed Trevor Bennett (District Roothing Manager) to the meeting, and invited him to address the Board.

6.2 The District Roothing Manager presented the Transit New Zealand plans for the proposed alterations to the State Highway/Alfredton Road junction.

6.3 The meeting was briefly adjourned to carry out an inspection of the site to consider the options proposed.

6.4 It was agreed that the District Roothing Manager be requested to arrange an on site meeting with representatives from Transit New Zealand to discuss the proposed alterations to this junction.

6.5 The Board agrees in principle with Transit New Zealand's plans as an interim measure, but considers that there are long term issues regarding the junction which need to be discussed.

6.6 Issues regarding the North Road safety concerns also need to be discussed with Transit New Zealand.

6.7 The opportunity was then provided for board members to raise any general roading matters with the District Roothing Manager.

These included reference to South Road Number 2 and Putara Road seal extension.

6.8 The Deputy Chairperson thanked the District Roothing Manager for his attendance at the meeting, and it awaits to receive details of the arrangements to meet with Transit New Zealand.

7. Confirmation of Minutes

7.1 ***That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 3 February, 2006 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Davidson/Death

Carried

8. Matters Arising from the Minutes

8.1 ***Eketahuna Water Supply* (Item 6.1)**

8.1.1 Water restrictions have been imposed on the use of the Eketahuna Water Supply effective from 1 March, 2006.

8.2 ***Removal of Trees From The Eketahuna Camping Ground* (Item 6.3)**

8.2.1 ***That the Board's thanks be conveyed to Ross Rowden for the work which he promptly carried out to restore the area of the Camping Ground following the removal of the trees.***

Best/Fraser-Davies

Carried

- 8.3 **Eketahuna Our Town/Main Street Committee** (Item 6.4)
- 8.3.1 The support for the Great Eketahuna Kiwi Tour was disappointing, and the funding which the Committee had hoped to raise from this event for their proposed stand alone Information Centre did not eventuate.
- 8.4 **Anzac Bridge Project** (Item 6.6)
- 8.4.1 The Board's application to the Heritage Protection Reserve for funding towards the cost of the Anzac Bridge restoration project will be considered at a meeting of the Heritage Advisory Group on 12 April, 2006.
- 8.4.2 A celebration weekend has been arranged by the Friends of the Anzac Memorial Bridge Kaiparoro to be held from 7 to 9 April, 2006.
- 8.5 **Cullen Street** (Item 7.2)
- 8.5.1 A fence has been erected to resolve the problem of dumping in Cullen Street.
- 8.6 **Installation of an Accessible Toilet In The Eketahuna Community Centre** (Item 8.2)
- 8.6.1 The work is under way to install an accessible toilet in the Eketahuna Community Centre, with this being based on the proposal made by the Board.
- 8.7 **Tararua Sports Awards** (Item 9.1)
- 8.7.1 Board members were encouraged to attend the Tararua Sports Awards to be held at the Eketahuna Community Centre on Friday 31 March, 2006.
- 8.7.2 Tickets will be available for sale from Monday of next week at a cost of \$35.00 each.
- 9. Tararua District Council Report**
- 9.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 22 February, 2006 (as circulated) be received.***
- Death/Davidson*** ***Carried***
- 9.2 **Compulsory Micro Chipping of Dogs** (Item 10.1.5)
- 9.2.1 ***That the Board supports the Council in its concerns regarding the compulsory micro chip provision, and the request made to Central Government seeking the exemption of farms dogs from this statutory requirement.***
- Best/Death*** ***Carried***
- 10. Reports From Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities**
- 10.1 **Tararua District Road Safety Group Meeting**
- 10.1.1 Board Member Death tabled some information concerning new school bus signs to emphasise the 20km speed limit for passing a bus which has stopped.

10.2 **Tararua Safer Community Council**

10.2.1 Board Member Fraser-Davies will report next month on this matter.

11. **Correspondence**

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

***(a) Pahiatua 125 Years Steering Committee
Re: Pahiatua celebrates 125 years – 18 March, 2006***

***(b) John Walker, Business Manager, Tararua District Council
3 February, 2006
Re: Early submission to the Draft Long Term Council Community
Plan***

Fraser-Davies/Davidson ***Carried***

11.2 **Pahiatua 125 Years Steering Committee**

11.2.1 ***That the Board thank the Pahiatua 125 Years Steering Committee for the invitation to their celebrations, and wishing them every success for this event.***

Best/Fraser-Davies ***Carried***

12. **Community Board Members Remuneration**

12.1 ***That the Board agrees to the recommendation proposed by the Council of the following remuneration for Community Boards within the Tararua District:-***

<i>Community Board Chairperson</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Annual Salary</i>	<i>\$6,500</i>
<i>Community Board Member</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Annual Salary</i>	<i>\$3,600</i>

Death/Fraser-Davies ***Carried***

13. **Vandalism**

13.1 Constable Dave Gallagher was not available to attend the Board's meeting.

13.2 It was noted that action is being taken to resolve the problem of property vandalism which has recently occurred.

13.3 Appreciation was expressed for the good standard of maintenance work being undertaken in the town and its general very satisfactory appearance.

14. **Chairman's Remarks**

14.1 Nil.

15. Extraordinary Business Not on the Agenda

15.1 Nil.

There being no further business the Deputy Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 12 noon

Chairperson