

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 October, 2008 commencing at 10.05am.

1. Present

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

In Attendance

Mr R Twentyman	-	Chief Executive
Mr R Taylor	-	Governance Manager
Mr C Veale	-	Community Assets Manager

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil

3. Personal Matters

3.1 Nil

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

4.1 Nil

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 ***That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 5 September, 2008 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Fraser-Davies/Death

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 ***Establishment of a Public Transport Coach Service From Masterton to Eketahuna*** (Item 5)

6.1.1 An informal survey will be included in the next Eketahuna community newsletter to ascertain possible support to establish a public transport service from Eketahuna to Masterton for shopping.

6.2 ***Mobile Recycling Bin*** (Item 7.1)

6.2.1 The area around the mobile recycling bin in Eketahuna is to be tidied, and a proposal is being considered to hot mix the surface.

6.2.2 The suggestion of relocating the recycling bin to the Community Centre car park is to be investigated, but this area may not be appropriate as the weight of the bin may rip the seal and make a mess.

6.3 **Rating Review** (Item 10.2)

6.3.1 It was clarified that the Board's resolution concerning the rating review conveyed its comments at this time in response to the information received from the Council.

6.3.2 The Board noted that it had not formed a final position on any specific proposals which may be determined in the future as rating options for formal consultation.

6.4 **Cullen Street Dump** (Item 12.1)

6.4.1 Dumping is still occurring in Cullen Street, and the Board requests the erection of a sign to reinforce that dumping is prohibited in this area.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 24 September, 2008 (as circulated) be received.***

Davidson/Fraser-Davies

Carried

7.2 Cr Davidson elaborated on the following matters for the Board's information arising from the Council meeting:-

- Waitahora Wind Farm resource consent application
- Funding granted to Jenny Champion from the International Representatives Scheme
- Smoke-free Environment policy
- Information on the Tararua websites concerning funding, grants and sponsorship

7.3 The Chief Executive outlined progress being made regarding the new water supply for Pahiatua.

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

8.1 ***Change of Consent Conditions For The Eketahuna Water Supply***

8.1.1 Cr Davidson spoke on the application notified by the Horizons Regional Council to change the consent conditions relating to the water permit for the Eketahuna Water Supply.

8.1.2 It was agreed to further discuss this matter at the end of the meeting.

9. Possible Site For Natural Body Burying

9.1 The Community Assets Manager tabled for the Board's information a plan of the cemetery area in Eketahuna which could be developed for natural body burying.

9.2 Board Member Fraser-Davies also circulated further background information on natural burials.

9.3 ***That the Board requests the Council to investigate the establishment of an appropriate area being provided in the Tararua District for natural burials.***

Fraser-Davies/Death

Carried

10. Reports From Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities – (Continued)

Rongomai Domain Incorporated

10.1.1 The Chairperson reported on the recent Annual General Meeting of the Rongomai Domain Incorporated, and this included reference to the following matters:-

- There were no changes to the membership of the committee
- The sale of some pine trees is being considered

11. Tribute to the Board and Vote of Thanks

11.1 The Chief Executive conveyed his appreciation to the Board for its commitment to working in the best interests of the Eketahuna Community, and wished board members every success in their future endeavours.

11.2 Board members extended their best wishes to the Chief Executive for his future plans, and thanked him for the service that he has given to the Tararua District and the Eketahuna Community.

12. Eketahuna Swimming Pool

12.1 The meeting adjourned at 11.05am to visit the Eketahuna Swimming Pool facilities, and to meet with Tony Loughnan and the Community Assets Manager to discuss the leakage problems being investigated.

12.2 The meeting resumed at 12noon.

13. Correspondence

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

(a) Pukaha Mount Bruce Board

Re: Letter of appreciation for renewing sponsorship

(b) Eketahuna Club Inc

Re: Letter of appreciation

22 September, 2008

(c) Alexander Turnbull Library

Re: Aubrey watercolours of Eketahuna

19 and 23 September, 2008

- (d) **Horizons Regional Council** **29 September, 2008**
Re: Update on One Plan hearings
- (e) **Tararua Community Youth Services Inc**
Re: Annual General Meeting
- (f) **Eketahuna Community Radio Society**
Re: Request for support from the community
- (g) **Tararua Outdoors** **1 October, 2008**
Re: Tararua Outdoors 2009
- (h) **Mrs Markey** **8 September, 2008**
Re: Letter of appreciation
- (i) **Tararua District Council** **25 September, 2008**
Re: Invitation to rating review meeting
- (j) **Eketahuna Our Town Committee**
Re: Invitation to the launching of the History and Wildlife Room

Death/Fraser-Davies

Carried

13.2 Eketahuna Community Radio Society

13.2.1 It was agreed that the Board would promote through its media report the need for community support to ensure the continued viability and operation of Radio Eketahuna, and notes the Radio Society's concerns regarding the present situation relating to the number of volunteers available to assist with broadcasts.

13.2.2 This matter will also be raised through the Eketahuna community newsletter.

13.3 Mrs Markey's 100th Birthday Celebrations

13.3.1 It was agreed that the Board will order from Tararua Television three copies of the DVD recording of Mrs Markey's 100th birthday celebrations.

13.4 Rating Review Meeting

13.4.1 Board members were invited to attend a Council rating review meeting to be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 8 October, 2008 in the Council Chamber.

13.5 Launching of the History and Wildlife Room

13.5.1 Board members were invited to attend the launching of the History and Wildlife Room to be held at 10.30am on Saturday 25 October, 2008 in the Eketahuna Kiwi Country Information Centre.

14. 2009 Community Boards Conference

14.1 The Board will consider at its next meeting whether to send a representative to attend the 2009 Community Boards Conference to be held in Christchurch from 19-21 March, 2009.

15. Possible Street Name or Facility Named in Honour of Mrs Markey

15.1 Board members expressed support for the possibility of naming a street or facility in Eketahuna to honour Mrs Markey.

15.2 It was agreed that this matter will be further discussed at the Board's next meeting.

16. Possible Date to Open the Eketahuna Community Centre Woodcarving Project

16.1 A tentative date of Monday 24 November, 2008 at 7.00pm was agreed to officially open the Eketahuna Community Centre woodcarving project.

16.2 Her Worship the Mayor is to be invited to the official opening.

16.3 It was noted that for insurance purposes the value of the carving is assessed at \$12,000.

16.4 The Board agreed to offer Jeff Bryan (the carver) and his partner accommodation in Eketahuna to stay on the night of the opening.

17. Change of Consent Conditions For The Eketahuna Water Supply (Continued)

17.1 *That Cr Davidson be authorised to prepare on the Board's behalf a draft submission regarding the proposed change to the consent conditions relating to the water permit for the Eketahuna Water Supply, and*

That a copy of the draft submission be sent to each board member for their comments and approval prior to the Chairperson confirming the final submission for forwarding to the Horizons Regional Council.

Harman/Fraser-Davies

Carried

18. Chairman's Remarks

18.1 Nil

19. Items Not On The Agenda

19.1 Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 1.05pm.

Chairperson