

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 2 October 2009 commencing at 10.00 am.

1. Present

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

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

2.1 ***That the apologies be sustained from Board Members E Fraser-Davies and K A M Dimock for non-attendance at the meeting.***

Davidson/Death

Carried

2.2 It was also noted that Board Member Dimock has conveyed her apology for non-attendance at the Board's November meeting due to another commitment.

3. Personal Matters

3.1 Nil

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

4.1 The Chairperson consented to a request from John Haar (a resident of Eketahuna) to address the Board.

4.2 John Haar thanked the Board for the letter he had received acknowledging his commitment and endeavours to maintaining and improving the Cliff Walk.

4.3 John Haar then spoke on the importance of encouraging the development of a strong and growing community that provides opportunities for youth.

4.4 The following matters were notified as items of general business not on the agenda for discussion at today's meeting.

- Parkville Road bridge
- Alternative heavy traffic route
- Town Centre security camera monitoring system

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 ***That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 4 September 2009 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Davidson/Death

Carried

6. Matters Arising From The Minutes

6.1 Horizons Regional Council (Item 6.1)

6.1.1 It is intended that subject to confirmation, the Horizons Regional Council's Chief Executive is to attend the Board's November meeting to discuss issues regarding the Eketahuna Water Supply.

6.2 Pahiatua Marae (Item 6.2)

6.2.1 A representative of the Marae is still to make contact regarding obtaining some Totara for the development of their facilities.

6.3 Review of Representation Arrangements (Item 7.2)

6.3.1 It was noted that the Council had received one submission concerning its proposal to retain the district's existing representation arrangements.

6.4 Dumping On Cullen Street (Item 11)

6.4.1 Staff from Engineering Services are monitoring the use of Cullen Street as a dumping area.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 *That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 September 2009 (as tabled) be received.*

Davidson/Death

Carried

7.2 **Congratulations to Cr Matthews**

7.2.1 *That the Board's congratulations be conveyed to Cr Claire Matthews on her appointment as the Chair of the Eastern and Central Community Trust.*

Davidson/Death

Carried

7.3 **Request for Totara**

7.3.1 It was noted that the Wairarapa College is interested in obtaining some Totara.

7.4 **Funding for the District's Roding Programme**

7.4.1 The reduced funding from the New Zealand Transport Agency for the district's roading programme was noted.

7.4.2 It also appears that little progress is being made to secure financial assistance for the upgrading of the Pahiatua Route.

7.5 **Targa Rally**

7.5.1 The roads to be closed in Eketahuna on Friday 30 October 2009 for the Targa Rally event were noted.

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

8.1 Newman Reserve Board

8.1.1 The Chairperson read to the meeting a written report from Board Member Dimock concerning the Annual General Meeting of the Newman Reserve Board held on Tuesday 29 September 2009.

8.2 Eketahuna Baths Management Committee

8.2.1 The Chairperson reported that work is to be undertaken by a contractor commencing this month to repair the Eketahuna Swimming Pool.

8.2.2 The contract between the Council and the Eketahuna Baths Management Committee has been renewed to 30 June 2012 with a right of renewal for a further three years.

8.3 MidCentral District Health Board

8.3.1 It was noted that a meeting of the MidCentral District Health Board will be held at the Eketahuna Golf Club on Tuesday 20 October 2009 commencing at 10.00 am.

8.4 Civil Defence

8.4.1 Cr Davidson spoke on the need to publicise the arrangements for Civil Defence in Eketahuna, and the recent changes to the district's emergency management structure and appointments.

8.4.2 It was agreed that a request be made to provide this information through a future Council page in the Bush Telegraph.

9. Correspondence

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

***(a) Horizons Regional Council 17 September 2009
Re: Proposed One Plan – Notice of Water Hearing***

Davidson/Death Carried

9.2 Horizons Regional Council

9.2.1 The Horizons Regional Council will be advised that the Board shall send two representatives to attend the One Plan hearing relating to water allocation.

9.2.2 The Board's preference is to attend the hearing scheduled for the morning of Thursday 11 March 2010. Twenty minutes of speaking time will be requested.

10. Chairman's Remarks

10.1 Nil

11. Items Not On The Agenda

11.1 Parkville Road Bridge

11.1.1 It was requested that the give way priority on this bridge (near Cullen Street) be reviewed through reversing the hierarchy to the west side of the bridge (presently it is on the east side).

11.1.2 This is necessary to improve road safety in the vicinity.

11.2 Alternative Heavy Traffic Route

11.2.1 It was requested that clarification be provided regarding the roading authority that controls the alternative heavy traffic route by the railway overbridge at the northern entrance to Eketahuna.

11.3 Town Centre Security Camera Monitoring System

11.3.1 Board members conveyed their support in principle to consider contributing financial assistance towards the cost of this project.

11.3.2 It was agreed that the Eketahuna Our Town Committee should forward a detailed proposal to the Board setting out the plan and budget for establishing the security camera monitoring system.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 12.07pm.

Chairperson