

TARARUA DISTRICT COUNCIL
Eketahuna Community Board

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Eketahuna Community Board held in the Eketahuna Service Centre Meeting Room on Friday 10 September, 2004 commencing at 10.00am.

1. Present

Messrs H M Cooper (Chairman), J M Harman (Deputy Chairman), P J Best, C C Death, Mrs F Ramsay and Elizabeth Fraser-Davies.

In Attendance

Mrs M E Reynolds	-	Her Worship the Mayor
Cr W H Davidson	-	Eketahuna Ward District Councillor
Mr R Twentyman	-	Chief Executive
Mr R Taylor	-	Administration Officer

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil.

3. Personal Matters

3.1 ***That the Board convey its congratulations to the Eketahuna Bowling Club on their outstanding success as the winner of seven centre titles in the 2004 season.***

Harman/Fraser-Davies

Carried

3.2 The Chairman expressed his thanks and appreciation to Board Member Ramsay for her service and contribution to the Board during its term of office.

4. Notification Of Any Extraordinary Business Not on The Agenda

4.1 The following matters were notified as items of extraordinary general business for discussion at today's meeting:-

- Newman Domain Board Annual General Meeting
- Meet the candidates public meeting

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 ***That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 6 August, 2004 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Harman/Death

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 Totara Logs (Item 6.2.1)

6.1.1 Eketahuna Mainstreet have agreed to provide seating at the soldiers cemetery as a community project.

6.2 Joy Boyles – Complaint Concerning Raw Sewerage (Item 6.4)

6.2.1 The Chairman thanked the Chief Executive for his assistance in arranging the prompt repair of the large hole in the footpath containing raw sewerage.

6.2.2 It was noted that this complaint had been reported as a service request, but this did not provide a satisfactory outcome.

6.3 Town Gardens (Item 6.5)

6.3.1 The contractor is to provide some background information to assist in the preparation of a before and after story to outline the improvements achieved to the town gardens.

6.4 Organising of Sporting Events For Youth In The Town (Item 6.7)

6.4.1 There has still been nothing heard from the committee set up to discuss this matter.

6.5 Pukaha – Mount Bruce (Item 8.2)

6.5.1 A certificate was tabled acknowledging the Board's support in helping to restore the forest by sponsoring one hectare of pest control at Pukaha/Mount Bruce for a period of one year.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 August, 2004 (as circulated) be received.***

Death/Fraser-Davies

Carried

7.2 TrustPower Tararua District Community Awards 2004

7.2.1 Board members were encouraged to attend the TrustPower Tararua District Community Awards presentation ceremony to be held on Monday 13 September, 2004 at 7.30pm in the Woodville School Hall.

7.3 Roading – Storm Damage

7.3.1 It was noted that subcontractors are being used by Tararua Roothing Limited to assist in progressing the repair of roads damaged by the February storm.

7.4 Eketahuna Water Supply

7.4.1 It was noted that the Eketahuna Water Supply resource consent is likely to have restrictions imposed on the volume of water able to be taken from the Makakahi River.

7.4.2 The Board supports the actions being taken by the Council to monitor and control the draw off of water from this supply to service rural properties.

7.4.3 Concern was expressed that the acidity level of the water appears to be rising again.

8. Reports

8.1 Roading

- 8.1.1 ***That the report from the Roding Manager dated 17 August, 2004 concerning various roading matters raised at the Board's previous meeting (as circulated) be received.***

Ramsay/Fraser-Davies

Carried

- 8.1.2 It was noted that the work requested at the North Road intersection with State Highway 2 will not proceed this year.

However the Roding Manager will continue to promote the desirability of undertaking this work with Transit New Zealand.

- 8.1.3 The signs to warn of flood damage work on the Alfredton Road between town and the Rongomai turnoff are still considered to be inadequate.

8.2 Delegation of Functions To Community Boards

- 8.2.1 ***That the report from the Community Outcomes Manager dated 30 August, 2004 concerning the delegation of functions to community boards (as circulated) be received.***

Death/Harman

Carried

- 8.2.2 ***That the Board endorses the proposed delegations of powers to community boards, subject to the following being included:-***

- ***To appoint a Board representative to the Road Safety Group.***
- ***To appoint a Board representative to the Tararua Safer Community Council.***
- ***To authorise the Community Board Chairperson or their nominee to be the spokesperson for the Community Board in all matters where the Community Board has authority or a particular interest.***
- ***To receive and determine applications submitted by the local Mainstreet Committee(s) for funding from the budget provided for Mainstreet projects.***

Cooper/Harman

Carried

8.3 Newman Domain Board Annual General Meeting

- 8.3.1 Board Member Best represented the Board at the Annual General Meeting of this Domain Board, and reported that discussions included reference to the following:-

- The existing Domain Board's office-holders were confirmed for a further three year term of appointment.
- The Domain Board's financial position is good.
- Safety issues were raised concerning the baths at the Domain, with some fencing being required.

- Clarification was given that insurance cover for public liability is provided through the Council.
- The access bridge issue is still with Transit New Zealand to consider.

9. Correspondence

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

- (a) ***Murray Smith MP – United Future*** ***2 August, 2004***
Re: Local Government (Use of Community Boards) Amendment Bill
- (b) ***Local Government New Zealand*** ***4 September, 2004***
Re: New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee Elections: Call for Nominations
- (c) ***Russell Gaskin***
Re: Totara Logs
- (d) ***R S Bob Morgan*** ***3 September, 2004***
Re: Appearance of the Camellias at the northern approach to Eketahuna

Best/Fraser-Davies

Carried

9.2 Murray Smith MP – United Future

9.2.1 ***That the Board supports the draft Member's Bill proposed by Murray Smith to amend the Local Government Act 2002 through including a provision which reinforces the purpose of community boards, and***

That the intent of this amendment to prohibit community boards from being replaced by such committees or other decision-making bodies to provide the structure for community representation be endorsed.

Harman/Best

Carried

9.3 Local Government New Zealand

9.3.1 The memorandum received from Local Government New Zealand inviting nominations for the representatives and deputies on the New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee will be referred to the incoming Board for its consideration.

9.4 RS Bob Morgan

9.4.1 ***That the Board convey its thanks to Mr Morgan for his comments concerning the appearance of the Camellias at the northern approach to Eketahuna, and***

That the Board invite Mr Morgan to meet with members on site to discuss and determine arrangements for the maintenance of these plants.

Cooper/Harman

Carried

10. Notified Items of General Business

10.1 Cemetery Area For Stillborn Babies

10.1.1 It was noted that presently there is no specific area provided at the Eketahuna Cemetery for stillborn babies.

10.1.2 As there has been no requests from the community to establish such an area it is considered that no further action is required at this time.

10.2 Vandalism of Signs

10.2.1 Instances of road signs being vandalised or defaced with graffiti should be reported to the Service Centre through the service request system.

10.3 Sale of Totara Logs

10.3.1 ***That the Board consents to some totara logs being made available for a carving at the Masterton Police Station, and***

That these logs be offered in exchange for a carving being made and placed at the Eketahuna Community Centre.

Harman/Death

Carried

10.3.2 ***That Board Member Death be authorised to undertake discussions and conclude an agreement with the Masterton Police to give them some totara logs in exchange for the proposed carving.***

Harman/Cooper

Carried

10.3.3 The Chairman gave Board Member Death the contact details of Robert Rutene, Iwi Liaison Officer Wairarapa – Masterton Police Station.

10.3.4 It was noted that the carver intended to undertake this work is Taka Paniora.

10.3.5 ***That the Board consent to the request of Russell Gaskin to purchase totara log 7 for the purpose of making a carving to adorn the front of their family meeting house, and***

That the cost of purchasing this log be \$100.00.

Harman/Death

Carried

11. Extraordinary Business Not On The Agenda

11.1 Meet the Candidates Public Meeting

11.1.1 It was agreed that a meet the candidates public meeting should be held in Eketahuna.

11.1.2 The Chairman and Deputy Chairman were requested to proceed with the arrangements for this meeting.

12. Chairman's Remarks

12.1 Vote of Thanks

- 12.1.1 The Chairman thanked board members for their contributions and service throughout the Board's term of office, and congratulated those re-elected for a further three years.
- 12.1.2 The Chairman thanked Cr Davidson for his support, and wished him a successful outcome at the forthcoming elections.
- 12.1.3 Her Worship presented to Board Member Ramsay and the Chairman a certificate to recognise their contribution to local government as a member of the Eketahuna Community Board.
- 12.1.4 The Chairman thanked the Council for its support and the good working relationship which has been established with the Board, and conveyed his appreciation to the Mayor for the work which she has done.
- 12.1.5 The Chief Executive and the Administration Officer were thanked for their advice and assistance provided to the Board.
- 12.1.6 The Deputy Chairman paid tribute to the Chairman's leadership and guidance to the Board, and acknowledged his significant contribution and service to the community.
- 12.1.7 The Chairman was wished a long and happy retirement from his involvement with local government community service.

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

Chairman