

ORDINARY MINUTES

MATAMATA COMMUNITY BOARD

DATE: Monday, 11 May 2009

TIME: 7.00 pm

VENUE: Walton Community Hall
Main Road
WALTON

MEMBERSHIP – Quorum (2)

Members:

Mr D J W Anderson
Mrs R L Burr
Ms J K I Thompson
Mr B W van Heuven

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MATAMATA-PIAKO DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of an Ordinary Meeting of the Matamata Community Board held in the Walton Community Hall, Main Road, Walton on 11 May 2009 commencing at 7:07 pm

1 MEETING OPENING

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and declared the meeting open.

2 PRESENT

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr D J W Anderson
Mrs R L Burr
Ms J K I Thompson
Mr B W van Heuven

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mrs A Charters-Leahy Minute Secretary

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr B Marlow Principal, Walton School
Mrs S Marlow
Mr R Jones Caretaker, Walton Hall
Mrs A Wilcock

3 APOLOGIES

MEMBERS APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

4 NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS

Pursuant to clause 3.7.5 and 3.7.6 of the Standing Orders NZS 9202:2003 and Section 46A (7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the Chairman enquired from members whether there were any additional items for consideration which qualify as extraordinary or urgent additional business.

There were no items of urgent additional business.

5 PUBLIC FORUM

We had four members of the Walton community present for the Public Forum. Mr Bob Marlow raised several issues which are listed below.

All members are concerned regarding the way traffic speeds through the Walton village considering there is a primary school. Mr Marlow and Mrs Wilcock have asked if Council are able to rectify this problem as they believe that it is only a matter of time before there is an accident. Board Member Burr mentioned that around school zones it is now law vehicles must do 40 km thirty minutes before school begins and thirty minutes after school finishes. All members agreed they would like to see the current 70 km sign replaced with at least a 50 km sign. The Board recommended that Mr Marlow quetzal his request to Council.

Another concern was the sign that is currently on the corner of Landsdowne Road and Walton Road showing the route to Matamata. It is too small and three or four cars per day shoot past the sign and have to turn around and go back. Board Member Thompson suggested a big metal sign showing Landsdowne Road was another route to Matamata placed before the turnoff instead of the little one that is underneath the Landsdowne Road sign. The Board recommends Mr Marlow quetzal his concern to Council.

There is a drainage issue with the runoff water at the Walton Combined Community Church Car Park and because of the poor drainage system all the water ends up in a farmer's paddock. On several occasions Mr Marlow and his team have laid metal in the car park only to have it washed into the farmer's paddock. The Board recommend that Mr Marlow quetzal this complaint to Council.

The trees on either side of the road in the Walton Village are causing concern as some are touching power lines and others are dead. All members of the public forum would like this matter attended too. The Board recommend a quetzal be submitted on this item.

Vacant buildings on Council property – Mrs Wilcock discussed the two buildings and mentioned they were the old plunket rooms and the old bowling club. The Board said they will follow this up and see what can be done about the removal of these buildings.

Mrs Wilcock and Mrs Marlow mentioned the intersection at Gunn, Scherer and Landsdowne Road and wondered what it would take to have compulsory stop signs at the intersection instead of give way signs. They believe it is a safety issue and there have been several accidents at the intersection over the years. The Board recommends that Mrs Marlow or Mrs Wilcock quetzal this issue as they believe it is of high priority.

In summing up the members of the public forum were very appreciative of Councils co-operation over the years especially regarding the updating of the Walton hall.

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes, as circulated, of the Ordinary Meeting of the Matamata Community Board, held on 14 April 2009.

[Minutes April 14 2009 Matamata Community Board.doc](#)

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Matamata Community Board held on 14 April 2009 be confirmed and signed as true and correct.

MOVED BY: Mrs R L Burr

SECONDED BY: Mr D J W Anderson

CARRIED

7 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**Item 10.1.1 – Matamata Public Relations Association and Matamata Business Association Survey 2008**

The Chairman has spoken to Mr George Ridley regarding the upgrading of lighting in Tainui Street and the Tainui Street car park and Mr Ridley said there was no funding for any upgrade.

There is also no funding for the “No skateboarding and bicycle” stencilling on the pavements and the P60 signs.

The shrubs are due to be cut back in the Tainui car park for clearer visibility.

The Chairman is going to submit a quetzal to Council regarding the ongoing problem of rectifying the crooked bollard on Arawa Street as after several requests this still has not been rectified.

Item 10.1.3 – Youth Forum

The Chairman and Board will follow up and make contact with members of the student council to access when their meeting will be in June. Board Members will attend to see if they are interested in a Youth Forum.

Item 10.3.1 – Community Garden

The Chairman will assist Krystal and Nick Lee in their presentations and he will also approach Council as to whether there is any nearby land available.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That:

- 1. the Board request a copy of the quote and the breakdown that Council have considered regarding the P60 signs and the footpath stencilling.**
- 2. a quetzal be submitted by the Chairman regarding the crooked bollard on Arawa Street.**

Moved by: Ms J K I Thompson

Seconded by: Mrs R L Burr

CARRIED

8 OFFICER REPORTS

8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE

8.1.1 MAYORAL DIARY FOR MARCH 2009

File No: DEM021606
Attachments: [Mayoral Diary March 2009](#)
Responsible Officer: D McLeod
Chief Executive Officer
Author: G W H Vercoe QSM, ED, JP
Mayor

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A copy of the Mayoral Diary for the period 1 March to 30 March 2009 is attached.

POLICY AND BYLAW ISSUES

There are no other Policy or Bylaw issues in relation to this matter.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That the information in the Mayoral Diary for the period 1 March to 30 March 2009 be received.

Moved by: Mr D J W Anderson

Seconded by: Mrs R L Burr

CARRIED

8.1.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT FOR MARCH 2009

File No: SUP164601
Attachments: [CEO Report March 2009](#)
Responsible Officer: D McLeod
Chief Executive Officer
Author: D McLeod
Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A copy of the Chief Executive Officer's report for the period March 2009 is attached.

POLICY AND BYLAW ISSUES

There are no other Policy or Bylaw issues in relation to this matter.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That the Chief Executive Officer's report for March 2009 be received.

Moved by: Mr D J W Anderson

Seconded by: Mrs R L Burr

CARRIED

8.1.3 BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS FOR APRIL 2009

File No: DEM021201
Responsible Officer: D McLeod
Chief Executive Officer
Author: R Ellison
Community Boards/CAPS Administrator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Board Members reported on the activities of organisations where they were appointed to represent the Board.

The Chairman and Board Member van Heuven attended the Grand Opening of Starfish Social Services which was a great event and there was a good representation from the community.

The Chairman commented that the Matamata Health Board Shuttle is still looking for a permanent park for its vehicle.

Board Member Burr did not attend the Matamata Public Relations Association meeting. A copy of the minutes is attached.

Board Member Burr reported on the Keep Matamata Beautiful meeting. A copy of the minutes is attached.

Board Member van Heuven reported on the memorial for Don Locke. Council in conjunction with the Lions Club have now decided to erect several seats along Tom Grant Drive but the Board have requested that a plaque be made to be put on one of the seats in memory of Don Locke.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

That the Board Members' Reports for April 2009 be received.

Moved by: Mr D J W Anderson

Seconded by: Mrs R L Burr

CARRIED

Matamata Public Relations Association

Minutes of the meeting: 8.00am Tuesday 21st April 2009

Held at the MPDC Boardroom

Members Present Denise William, E Fraser, G Guilford, Joanne Morgan,
Dave Harris, Jan Barnes, Di Romley, Bob McGrail, F Healey

Apologies E Jackson, Shirley Macleod, R Burr

Elaine Fraser/D Romley

Matters Arising

Western Entrance Welcome Sign.

Sue Whiting discussed the outcomes from the meeting with Leister Drake. Leister had provided an aerial photo of the area which showed the line of site requirements by Ontrack. According to LD this meant that the proposed sign would need to be positioned some metres further down Firth Street. The committee felt that this was too far from the corner and anyone thinking of turning into the CBD would have missed the turn by that stage.

A thought was to change the 'sign' to a much lower design which could curve a little way around the corner and perhaps position another low sign on the other side of the railway in JC Park. SW to discuss with LD.

The MPDC have also asked that a submission be presented to the LTCCP even though we had suggested that we would be paying for the sign.

Firth Tower Museum.

SW outlined the results from the meeting. From the meeting a vision statement had been created and the plan is to be presented to the MPDC LTCCP. Four points were raised, free entry, open 7 days, upgrade of the Heritage room for small meetings and conferences and a proposed playground. The PRA committee members who attended the Firth Tower meeting felt that the meeting was valuable and the plan should go ahead without too much difficulty.

Million Dollar Promotion

SW and Dave Harris discussed their meeting with Brett Watson who is the new owner of Watersons Carpet Court regarding a promotion that offers a chance to win \$1 Million Dollars. The PRA has offered to pay \$350 for the motivational speakers travelling costs and to fax out the flyer for the meeting. Although Sue had some hesitations about working with a promotion that created competition between Matamata businesses, Dave Harris felt that the PRA should at least give local businesses the opportunity to consider the promotion.

Wildflowers

An email had been received from Robin Burr from Keep Matamata Beautiful requesting funding for the wildflower project. There was considerable discussion about the level of funding that should be offered and it was agreed to offer \$250. Sue to write to Robin and make a suggestion the KMB create fewer wildflower beds.

Frank & Vi

Sue asked the committee member to join Frank and Vi Turner for a farewell coffee at Robert Harris

Minutes from previous meeting - approved *Dave Harris /Elaine Fraser*

Reports Marketing Managers /Financial Reports / Payments
Elaine Fraser / Jan Barnes

Meeting closed at 8.55.am

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KEEP MATAMATA BEAUTIFUL HELD ON 29 APRIL 2009 AT 3-30P.M.

PRESENT Robin Burr (chair), Belinda Rowson, Ted Guy, Don Kidner, Ron Moles

APOLOGY received from Tom Clark. Les Parker not present as it is his 90th Birthday

MINUTES of the last meeting have been circulated, and were taken as read.

Ted / Don

CORRESPONDENCE

INWARDS

Wildflower World --- \$1496.81 account for seeds.

Keep N.Z. Beautiful – Four Seasons Bulletins

-- Clean Up Week 4-11 September 2009

-- AGM Rotorua 25- 27 September

OUTWARDS

To Wealleans for fertilizing wild flower beds (Robin)

To Chris Russell.

FINANCE See attached

Community Board has granted \$600, the PRA has granted \$250.towards our finances. Robin to contact Hin Te Poi Lions for a \$400 grant towards the shortfall for sowing the wildflower seeds.

Sec to write to Matamata Lions and Matamata Kiwanis seeking donations

Belinda is to make enquiries about Trust donations.

KMB AWARD To go to Kaimai Valley Services for their upkeep of the town.

Robin to arrange the presentation - perhaps contact the Scene.

GENERAL

- Highway 27 trees - Ron has sprayed under the 34 trees along to the racecourse again. --- Christine Green Transit NZ is the person to contact regarding the other trees not cared for ---- Does Kaimai Valley Services have a contract for maintaining trees along Highway 27?-enquiries to be made.
- Jim Gardiner Corner- --- lettering needs redoing -- the raised garden needs to be dug out and replanted --- the large camellia needs tidying up -- letter to go to Steve Fabish about this
- Don to ring Powerco regarding the graffiti on the transformer box at the corner of Peria Rd /Smith St
- A dead rhododendron on the corner of Western St / Peria Rd for Don's attention.
- Hawe's Bush –No maintenance for years – becoming overgrown – Council states there is no money allocated for this. – Robin has applied for funding for this with no satisfaction.
- Robin has an article in the Scene about this year's wildflower project.
- Ted has approached Darryl Anderson(Comm Board) asking for a sign below the waterfalls mosaic in the men's toilet, to state what/where they are.

No further items the meeting was closed. **Next meeting Wed 5 August**

9 URGENT ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent additional business.

10 EXCLUSION FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no matters for exclusion from the public.

11 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 8:45 pm.

CONFIRMATION: 8 June 2009

SIGNED:

Mr D J W Anderson