



Eketahuna Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Eketahuna Community Board held in the Eketahuna War Memorial Hall, corner of Jones Street and State Highway 2, Eketahuna on Monday 10 February 2020 commencing at 10.00am.

1. Present

Board Members C C Death (Chairperson), S C McGhie (Deputy Chairperson), T M Carew, D F Clifton and Cr R A Treder (Council appointed Community Board member).

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager
Mr P Wimsett - Manager Strategy and District Development (for item 10)

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil

3. Personal Matters

3.1 The Board has been invited to consider arranging a community event on 15 March 2020 in the town centre to observe a moment of silence to remember those who tragically lost their lives on that day last year in the Christchurch mass shootings mosque terrorist attack.

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

4.1 The following matters are notified as items of general business not on the agenda for discussion at today's meeting:

- Anzac Mounted Troopers Anzac Day event and afternoon tea at Nireaha
- Eketahuna recycling facility

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 *That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 9 December 2019 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Carew/Treder

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 Abandoned/Derelict Vehicles (Item 11)

6.1.1 It is pleasing to note an abandoned/derelict vehicle situated in Eketahuna has been removed.

6.2 Local Community Groups Liaison Representatives (Item 7.2)

6.2.1 Board members will visit Alfredton School on 30 March 2020 at 3.30pm to liaise with residents from that community.

6.2.2 Representatives from the Tiraumea community and the Mayor will also be present, and the Alliance Maintenance Supervisor has been invited to attend.

6.3 Connecting with the Community (Item 10)

6.3.1 The confirmed arrangements where residents can talk to board members on issues and matters of concern are as follows:

- Lazy Graze Café - 1 March 2020 from 12noon to 1.00pm
- Addiction Café - 12 March 2020 from 5.30 to 6.30pm

6.3.2 Board Member Clifton conveyed her apology for non-attendance at the community forum on 1 March 2020 due to another commitment on that day.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 *That the reports of the Tararua District Council meetings held on 11 December 2019 and 29 January 2020 (as circulated) be received.*

McGhie/Clifton

Carried

8. Reports

8.1 Eketahuna Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme

8.1.1 *That the report from the Governance Manager dated 28 January 2020 concerning Eketahuna Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme (as circulated) be received, and*

That applications be invited for funding from Eketahuna Community Board's 2019-2020 General Assistance Grants Scheme, and

That the closing date for applications be Thursday 9 April 2020 at 4.30pm.

Clifton/McGhie

Carried

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

9.1 Tararua District Road Safety Group

9.1.1 The Deputy Chairperson reported on the Tararua District Road Safety Group meeting held in Dannevirke on 5 February 2020, including reference to the following matters:

- Monitoring of Route 52 road safety is being undertaken by Tararua Alliance.
- A variable speed board is available for use throughout the district that Tararua Alliance can circulate to known areas of town urban boundaries where vehicle speed is a risk.
- It is proposed the variable speed board could be located on Alfredton Road at a future time, particularly when the number of vehicles on this road increase during the rugby season.
- A video was played regarding Government's Road to Zero New Zealand Road Safety Strategy 2020-2030.
- Providing a kea crossing for Eketahuna School is progressing.
- Further information is being sought regarding the concern previously raised in relation to road signage and traffic diverting from State Highway 2 through Nireaha, and residents are encountering large trucks without lead vehicles in the centre of these country roads.
- The option of bringing a driver simulator for student driver licence training in the district is being investigated.
- Accident statistics for the district were presented.

9.2 Eketahuna Swimming Pool

9.2.1 Board Member Clifton reported the upgraded Eketahuna Swimming Pool facility is being well used and enjoyed in the hot summer weather that is occurring.

9.3 Cliff Walk

9.3.1 Board Member Carew reported a project to provide steps at Cliff Walk is being considered to be undertaken through a person doing community service work.

10. Electric Vehicle Charging Station in Eketahuna

10.1 The Manager Strategy and District Development explained the considerations given to selecting a site in the town centre to situate an electric vehicle charging station.

10.2 The site needs to be located near to the power supply source, and is safe and suitable for parking while the vehicle is being charged.

- 10.3 The Manager Strategy and District Development is working with ChargeNet NZ to progress installing an electric vehicle charging station in Eketahuna.
- 10.4 Possible locations being considered are behind Council's Eketahuna Service Centre/Library building, or in the vicinity of Tararua Autos.
- 10.5 The Board support an electric vehicle charging station being available in Eketahuna, and its preferred site remains in the vicinity of Tararua Autos.
- 10.6 The disadvantages of the site behind Council's Eketahuna Service Centre/Library building are its close proximity to the recycling facility and a power pole, which would both need relocating.
- 10.7 The Board request the Manager Strategy and District Development to continue working with ChargeNet NZ to look at the viability of both site options, and to keep it informed of any intentions regarding proposals under consideration.
- 10.8 The Manger Strategy and District Development informed the Board the CCTV security cameras monitoring system has been replaced in the town centre, and options are being considered to improve the cameras night capacity.

11. Correspondence

11.1 *That the correspondence as listed be received.*

a) Loreen and Kerry Cunningham

Re: Eketahuna Camping Ground November and December reports

b) Eketahuna Our Town Incorporated

Re: 11 December 2019 Committee meeting minutes and reports

Treder/Clifton

Carried

11.2 **Loreen and Kerry Cunningham**

11.2.1 The Board commend Eketahuna Camping Ground managers Loreen and Kerry Cunningham on producing the Eketahuna walk pamphlets that outline six walks and how to get there.

12. Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award

12.1 The Board will advertise in the community newsletter nominations are open for the Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award (which recognises exceptional voluntary service or work in the Eketahuna community).

12.2 Anyone intending to nominate an individual can place this in writing setting out details of the person's service, and include any letters of support from the relevant organisations or groups involved.

12.3 Nominations addressed to the Eketahuna Community Board Chairperson are to be left at the Eketahuna Service Centre/Library, and close on 31 March 2020.

12.4 The Governance Manager will collate them for forwarding to the Board for consideration at the April meeting as a public excluded item of business.

13. Anzac Day

- 13.1 Memorial crosses are to be made in honour and remembrance of eighty-three people from Eketahuna community that died in the First World War.
- 13.2 Board Member Clifton will approach Pauline and Robin Wilson who have indicated they may consider undertaking traffic management plan arrangements for Anzac Day in Eketahuna at no cost.
- 13.3 The Board's preference is the Eketahuna civic service Anzac Day parade march route continue to be held in Main Street (State Highway 2), but as an alternative other local roads could be used for that purpose.
- 13.4 The Board will cover from its discretionary funds the application fee for any road closures required for this event.

14. Chairperson's Remarks

- 14.1 Nil

15. Items Not on the Agenda

15.1 Anzac Mounted Troopers Anzac Day Event and Afternoon Tea at Nireaha

- 15.1.1 The Anzac Mounted Troopers are coming to Eketahuna in acknowledgement of the contribution and service of the Eketahuna Mounted Rifles, and will join with the community on Anzac Day. They are led by Terry Kingi, and are primarily based in Canterbury and work closely with the Seventh Light Horse Gundagai Troop from Australia.
- 15.1.2 For this year's Anzac Day commemorations in Eketahuna six mounted troopers (in full replica kit) and six horses will be travelling to Eketahuna, including two riders representing the Australian Light Horse Troop to reflect the true spirit of the Anzacs.
- 15.1.3 The troopers will be joined with six local mounted riders also in period uniform, and in total a troop of twelve is expected.
- 15.1.4 The troop will be present as a guard of honour at the Eketahuna Community Centre Anzac Day service at 10.00am, followed by the march to the Eketahuna War Memorial Hall for the wreath laying ceremony.
- 15.1.5 The twelve mounted troopers will leave around 12noon to ride out in formation to the Anzac Memorial Bridge at Kaiparoro bearing Australian and New Zealand flags, and shall provide a guard of honour at the 2.00pm commemorations.
- 15.1.6 The troopers will have a certified traffic management plan in place with pilot vehicles at the front and rear, and this event is not an open ride.
- 15.1.7 There will be a fundraising campaign under the umbrella of the Eketahuna/Mellemskov Museum to offset and support travel, food, accommodation and expenses for the fifteen to twenty guests involved.

- 15.1.8 Eketahuna/Mellemskov Museum will be exhibiting local mounted rifles memorabilia in the Eketahuna War Memorial Hall to coincide with proceedings on the day.
- 15.1.9 An Anzac Mounted Troopers afternoon tea will be held at Nireaha Hall, and Terry Kingi who leads the troopers will talk about the work he does with equine therapy and sufferers of post-traumatic stress disorder.
- 15.1.10 Widespread invitations will be extended to the afternoon tea event, and any proceeds or donations received could go to the Eketahuna/Mellemskov Museum or to Terry Kingi's group to support their work around the country.
- 15.2 **Eketahuna Recycling Facility**
- 15.2.1 Board Member Clifton shall contact a resident who expressed concern about the condition and untidiness of the Eketahuna recycling facility, and in response to the matters raised will advise them as follows:
- CCTV security cameras monitor this area in terms of fly tipping and illicit dumping.
 - Where the culprit can be identified an infringement notice will be issued, and the cost of any clean-up is recovered from them.
 - Behaviour causing such situations is not tolerated by Council, and reports where this occurs are followed up by staff.
 - Residents with concerns regarding fly tipping and illicit dumping should contact Council and submit a service request outlining the details.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 12.05pm.

Chairperson