



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 9 March 2020 commencing at 10.05am.

1. Present

Board Members C C Death (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 G Stantiall - Alliance Maintenance Supervisor (for item 8)

2. Apologies

2.1 *That an apology be sustained from Board Member S C McGhie for non-attendance at the meeting.*

Carew/Clifton

Carried

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 10 February 2020 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Carew/Treder

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 Local Community Groups Liaison Representatives (Item 6.2)

6.1.1 Representatives from Rural Support Trust, Police and the Alliance have been invited to attend the Board's visit to Alfredton School on 30 March 2020 at 3.30pm to liaise with residents from that community.

6.2 Connecting with the Community (Item 6.3)

6.2.1 Four board members were present at the community forum held on 1 March 2020 from 12noon to 1.00pm in the Lazy Graze Cafe, and it is disappointing no residents attended that event.

6.3 Eketahuna Swimming Pool (Item 9.2)

6.3.1 Eketahuna Swimming Pool facility is being well used as the hot summer weather continues to occur.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 *That the report of the Tararua District Council meeting held on 26 February 2020 (as circulated) be received.*

Clifton/Carew

Carried

7.2 **Community Remembrance Time for Victims of Christchurch Mosques Terrorist Attack**

7.2.1 *That the Board note on 15 March 2020 at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber at Dannevirke the district will join together as one to commemorate the day New Zealand as a nation showed unity, compassion and love in response to terrorism and an act intending to divide us, and*

That given the district-wide arrangements made for this purpose the Board agree not to proceed with an event of remembrance locally.

Death/Clifton

Carried

8. Eketahuna Rooding Programme

8.1 The Alliance Maintenance Supervisor outlined the approach to undertaking work on the district's rooding network depending on the type and cycle of the programme involved, and through the budgets provided for that purpose.

8.2 Work was previously undertaken to establish new mobility parking locations in the Eketahuna town centre, and the Board support the intention to remove the corner part of the garden by Four Square to improve access to that disability car park.

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

9.1 Tararua Emergency Management Committee

9.1.1 The Chairperson reported on the Tararua Emergency Management Committee meeting held in Dannevirke on 13 February 2020, including reference to the following matters:

- There is a critical water shortage in the Dannevirke impounded supply level due to very low river flows and little rain occurring.
- Mike Finucane (Fire and Emergency New Zealand Fire Risk Management Officer) is retiring.
- Due to the dry weather Horizons Regional Council placed restrictions on consent holders water take use, and there are some farmers that do not have alternative options in place through the installation of water tanks.
- Fire and Emergency New Zealand imposed a total fire ban in the district due to the very high to extreme conditions resulting from the dry weather.
- Scanpower, Fire and Emergency New Zealand and Council need to work together and agree on a district-wide map regarding where priorities would be in an emergency event.

10. Correspondence

10.1 *That the correspondence as listed be received.*

- (a) *Loreen and Kerry Cunningham*
Re: Eketahuna Camping Ground January report
- (b) *Tararua District Age on the Go Expo Committee* *25 January 2020*
Re: Request for financial assistance towards costs of Age on the Go Expo district community event
- (c) *Eketahuna Our Town Incorporated* *18 February 2020*
Re: Request for payment of Eketahuna Information Centre funding
- (d) *Eketahuna Our Town Incorporated*
Re: 13 February 2020 Committee meeting minutes and reports

Carew/Clifton

Carried

10.2 **Tararua District Age on the Go Expo Committee**

10.2.1 *That Tararua District Age on the Go Expo Committee be granted the sum of \$250 from the Board's discretionary funds as assistance towards the costs of arranging their Age on the Go Expo district community event held in the Woodville Sports Stadium on 23 April 2020.*

Carew/Clifton

Carried

10.3 Eketahuna Our Town Incorporated

10.3.1 Board Member Carew declared a conflict of interest concerning this item of business, and abstained from discussion and voting on the motion regarding that matter.

10.3.2 ***That the request from Eketahuna Our Town Incorporated to uplift \$6037.29 of the funding grant for the Eketahuna Information Centre be approved.***

Treder/Clifton

Carried

10.3.3 Eketahuna Our Town Incorporated Annual General Meeting is held in the St John Hall on 12 March 2020 at 7.00pm.

11. Anzac Day

11.1 ***That the Board cover from its discretionary funds the cost of the traffic management plan for this year's Anzac Day Eketahuna civic service parade based on the quote received from Traffic Management New Zealand of \$1,089.50 (plus GST).***

Death/Carew

Carried

11.2 The MenzShed completed the memorial crosses made in honour and remembrance of eighty-three people from the Eketahuna community that died in the First World War.

11.3 Eketahuna/Mellemskov Museum has organised an Anzac Mounted Troopers afternoon tea event in the Nireaha Hall and War Memorial Library on 23 April 2020 from 1.00pm to 4.00pm to honour the memory of the local men who served in the Eketahuna Mounted Rifles.

11.4 Terry Kingi who leads the troopers will talk about the work he does with equine therapy and sufferers of post-traumatic stress disorder.

11.5 Widespread invitations have been extended to that event, and any proceeds or donations received will go to the Eketahuna/Mellemskov Museum or Terry Kingi's group to support their work around the country.

12. Downer Tararua Sports Awards

12.1 The Chairperson encouraged nominations be submitted to the Downer Tararua Sports Awards various categories to recognise achievements in the 2019 year, with the closing date being 27 March 2020.

13. Chairperson's Remarks

13.1 Eketahuna War Memorial Remembrance Site

13.1.1 The Chairperson was contacted by the Waitara Returned and Services Association President seeking details about the Eketahuna War Memorial remembrance site.

13.1.2 That information was requested as Waitara is in the early planning stages of redesigning its cenotaph surrounds, and when travelling to Masterton he photographed the set-up at the Eketahuna War Memorial remembrance site and conveyed his congratulations on it being truly magnificent.

13.2 Date of Board's Next Meeting

13.2.1 The Board's next meeting date is one week later than usual due to Easter, and will be held on 20 April 2020.

14. Items Not on the Agenda

14.1 Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 11.10am.

Chairperson