

Eketahuna Community Board

Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Eketahuna Community Board will be held in the Eketahuna War Memorial Hall, corner of Jones Street and State Highway 2, Eketahuna on **Monday 10 August 2020** commencing at **1.00pm**.

Blair King

Chief Executive

Agenda

- 1. Present
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Personal Matters
- 4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

Major items not on the agenda may be dealt with at this meeting if so resolved by the Board and the chairperson explains at the meeting at a time when it is open to the public the reason why the item was not listed on the agenda and the reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Minor matters not on the agenda relating to the general business of the Board may be discussed if the chairperson explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at that meeting, but no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Eketahuna Community Board meeting held on 13 July 2020 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

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6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 **Drought (Item 6.1)**

The Chairperson will report on the Pride in Our Land campaign drought muster coordinated by Rural Support Tararua and Council held at the Eketahuna Rugby Club on 14 July 2020.

6.2 Community Event (Item 6.2)

Review the afternoon tea forum event to connect with the community held in the Eketahuna Community Centre Supper Room on 26 July 2020.

6.3 **Armistice Day (Item 6.3)**

The Chairperson will provide an update on Armistice Day arrangements for the service in Eketahuna.

6.4 Eketahuna Civil Defence Response Group (Item 6.5)

The Chairperson will report on the Eketahuna Civil Defence Response Group annual catch-up held in the Eketahuna Fire Station on 13 July 2020.

6.5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station in Eketahuna (Item 13)

An update will be provided on the viability of an electric vehicle charging station proceeding to be installed in Eketahuna (note: the Manager Strategy and District Development is not able to attend the Board's meeting due to another commitment).

6.6 **Any Other Matters**

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

7.1 Nireaha Reserve Board

The Chairperson will report on the Nireaha Reserve Board Annual General Meeting held on 29 July 2020.

7.2 **Any Other Reports**

8. Correspondence

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Recommendation

That the correspondence as listed be received.

(a) Loreen and Kerry Cunningham
Re: Eketahuna Camping Ground June report

Included in the agenda is a schedule detailing the applications received, and a copy of each application is provided to board members for their reference. A maximum total of \$5,288.14 is available for disbursement, with there being six applications seeking \$4,398.81 in funding (note: these details are provided as at 28 July 2020, and is subject to change if further applications are received by the closing date of 31 July 2020).

10. Chairperson's Remarks

11. Items Not on the Agenda

12. Public Excluded Item of Business

Recommendation

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award nominations

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

General subject matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48 (1) for the passing of this resolution
Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award	To protect the privacy of natural persons	Section (1)(a)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48 (1) (a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

s7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.

13. Closure



Eketahuna Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Eketahuna Community Board held in the Pukaha National Wildlife Centre, 85379 State Highway 2, Mount Bruce on Monday 13 July 2020 commencing at 10.05am.

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

Mrs T Collis - Her Worship the Mayor (until item 11)

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

Ms E Court - General Manager Pukaha National Wildlife Centre

(from item 7)

Mr J Glassey - Eketahuna Police Officer (from item 7)

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil

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 8 June 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 **Drought** (Item 7.3)

6.1.1 An event will be held at Eketahuna Rugby Club tomorrow from 5.00pm to 8.00pm to bring the rural community together to network, talk with others and enjoy a laugh with comedian Ben Tito Caldwell.

6.2 **Community Event** (Item 13)

- 6.2.1 Eketahuna Our Town Committee has decided it is not intending to organise a community event to bring people together following the removal of Covid-19 restrictions.
- 6.2.2 Instead of that event an afternoon tea will be arranged by the Board to be held in the Eketahuna Community Centre Supper Room on 26 July 2020 at 2.00pm.
- 6.2.3 This will provide a forum for connecting with the community where residents can talk to board members on issues and matters of concern, and details will be included in the community newsletter.

6.3 **Armistice Day** (Item 14)

- 6.3.1 New Zealand Army Tenth Transport Company shall be attending the Eketahuna Armistice Day service, and will provide their time to undertake community projects in Eketahuna.
- 6.3.2 Options suggested to the Board's Chairperson as possible work for the New Zealand Army Tenth Transport Company to consider are as follows:
 - Cleaning and restoration of returned servicemen and veterans memorial plaques and headstones at Eketahuna cemetery
 - Restoration of Eketahuna Camping Ground road to old swing bridge site
 - Lime track development
 - Clean up Nireaha Hall and War Memorial Library
- 6.3.3 The visit to Eketahuna previously planned by Terry Kingi and the horse riders of the Anzac Mounters Troopers is to occur on Armistice Day along with the afternoon tea event held in the Nireaha Hall.

6.4 **Connecting with Rural Communities** (Item 15)

- 6.4.1 The Board will visit Alfredton School on 10 August 2020 at 3.00pm to liaise with residents from that community.
- 6.4.2 Representatives from the Rural Support Trust, Police and Tararua Alliance along with the Mayor and Councillors have been invited to attend.

- 6.4.3 The Board's next meeting is scheduled on that day prior to the visit, and its commencement time will be changed to 1.00pm and conclude by 2.00pm to enable travel from Eketahuna to Alfredton.
- 6.5 **Eketahuna Civil Defence Response Group** (Item 16.2)
- 6.5.1 The Eketahuna Civil Defence Response Group annual catch-up is held in the Eketahuna Fire Station at 6.00pm this evening.
- 6.5.2 The Mayor conveyed her apology for not being able to attend that event due to another commitment.
- 7. Pukaha National Wildlife Centre (Brought forward on the agenda)
- 7.1 Emily Court, General Manager of Pukaha National Wildlife Centre spoke about activities and events at Pukaha National Wildlife Centre, including reference to the following matters:
 - About 1,500 visitors attended the koha weekend to view the facilities, and this was very successful with around \$15,000 of revenue being generated.
 - While Covid-19 has impacted on the number of overseas visitors this is being offset through increased domestic tourism by New Zealanders exploring the country.
 - It is hoped that trend will continue, with visitor numbers being 20% ahead since reopening following lockdown compared to the same period last year.
 - Funding secured from the Provincial Growth Fund has enabled plans to be developed to construct a forty bed accommodation and education centre to host school and community groups, events and vocational training programmes, with work to commence towards the end of this year.
 - A new nocturnal boardwalk is also being funded to enable visitors to experience the forest at night.
 - Establishment of a small carving school is also proposed.
 - As a result of having to cease predator control musteline pest management work during Covid-19 lockdown it was devastating that five kiwis were tragically lost through being killed by ferrets.
 - That work started again through intensive day and night trapping of the reserve to stop predations from stoats, ferrets, weasels and feral cats.
 - The existence of bats in the forest has been found.
 - Bob Francis stood down from the position of governance board Chairperson, and his many years of service committed to this role is acknowledged and greatly appreciated.
 - Moira Paewai from Dannevirke accountancy firm MCI and Associates has been appointed as a new member of the governance board.

- **8.** Town Centre CCTV Security Cameras Monitoring System (Brought forward on the agenda)
- 8.1 Eketahuna Police Officer Jymahl Glassey outlined the benefits of extending the scope of the Eketahuna town centre CCTV security cameras monitoring system.
- 8.2 It is proposed an additional four cameras be provided to enhance the value of the existing system as an investigation tool for Police to help keep the community safe.
- 8.3 The additional cameras would enable the area of coverage to be expanded to include placing them at the north and south entry and exit points to Eketahuna.
- 8.4 That the Board support the proposal to enhance the Eketahuna town centre CCTV security cameras monitoring system by the scope of its existing area of coverage being extended through the addition of cameras placed at the north and south entry and exit points to Eketahuna.

Clifton/McGhie Carried

- 8.5 Advice on investigating options to implement an upgraded Eketahuna town centre CCTV security cameras monitoring system should be coordinated in liaison with the Manager Strategy and District Development, Peter Wimsett.
- 8.6 Board Member Carew will ask Eketahuna Our Town Committee to consider applying for funding to undertake this project.
- 9. Tararua District Council Report
- 9.1 That the report of the Tararua District Council meeting held on 24 June 2020 (as circulated) be received.

McGhie/Clifton Carried

- 10. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities
- 10.1 Nil
- 11. Correspondence
- 11.1 That the correspondence as listed be received.
 - (a) Loreen and Kerry Cunningham
 Re: Eketahuna Camping Ground May report
 - (b) Eketahuna Our Town Incorporated
 Re: 11 June 2020 Committee meeting minutes

Carew/Treder Carried

11.2 Eketahuna Camping Ground

11.2.1 It is agreed the Board shall visit Eketahuna Camping Ground in the future, and this will be arranged on a monthly meeting day following its conclusion.

12. Electric Vehicle Charging Station in Eketahuna

- 12.1 ChargeNet NZ is finalising its intended plan by the end of this month to consider installing an electric vehicle charging station in Eketahuna.
- 12.2 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.
- 12.3 Possible locations proposed for consideration are behind Council's Eketahuna Service Centre/Library, or in the vicinity of Tararua Autos (the Board's preferred site).
- 12.4 If the electric vehicle charging station is situated behind the Service Centre/Library building it will need to take into account its close proximity to the recycling facility, and a power pole may require relocating.
- 12.5 The Manager Strategy and District Development, Peter Wimsett shall be invited to attend the Board's next meeting to give an update on the viability of an electric vehicle charging station proceeding to be installed in Eketahuna, with this item of business scheduled on the agenda at 1.30pm.

13. Chairperson's Remarks

13.1 Town Centre Tile Painting

13.1.1 The town centre tile painting is nearing completion for placing at a location to be finalised, with the vicinity of the Council's Eketahuna Service Centre/Library building being considered.

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 12.05pm.

Chairperson	



JUNE 2020 REPORT

We are back to normal in the camping ground . It has been very wet lately but the winter has been quite mild so far .

VISITORS

(EACH UNIT / FIGURE EQUALS 1 PERSON FOR 1 NIGHT)

POWER SITE 120 (kiwi 92 o/s 28)
CABINS 52 (kiwi 48 o/s 4)
UNPOWERED 111 (kiwi 46 o/s 65)

BACK TO NORMAL

New Zealand and Eketahuna is back to normal and its great. The visitor numbers are a little down for this time of the year. We think its the lack of overseas visitors coming to NZ. I don't think Eketahuna suffered too much. Its good to just relax and enjoy life.

KERRY & LOREEN CUNNINGHAM

General Assistance Grants Scheme 2019/2020

The Board has received six applications seeking \$4,398.81 in funding. Enclosed for board members consideration is a copy of each application.

A copy of the Scheme's guidelines and the grants approved last year is also included in the agenda. There is a maximum total of \$5,288.14 available for allocation.

The following provides a summary of the applications for the Board's information and reference.

Number	Name	Project	Amount Requested
1.	Eketahuna Bowling Club	Rates remission	\$ 596.32
2.	Eketahuna Golf Club	Water rates relief	\$ 775.00
3.	Eketahuna Lawn Tennis Club	Turf and pavilion insurance	\$ 350.96
4.	Eketahuna Our Town	Community newsletter	\$ 490.00
5.	Eketahuna School	Swimming lessons for children and school patrol treat	\$ 1,686.53
6.	Eketahuna Badminton Club	Freestanding posts and nets	\$ 500.00
Tot	al amount requested		\$ 4,398.81

Note: This summary of applications is circulated as at 28 July 2020. Any further applications received after that time by the closing date of 31 July 2020 will be provided for board members consideration.

EKETAHUNA COMMUNITY BOARD

GENERAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS SCHEME

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

- 1. Assistance will only be available for locally recognised organisations whose principal functions and/or activities are of a community or charitable nature.
- Financial assistance will only be available for a specific project or projects, or for the maintenance of a facility.
- 3. Only one grant per organisation will be available in any financial year.
- **4.** Funding will **not** be available for the following:
 - · subsidise subscriptions or rents
 - · wages and salaries
 - reduce debt load i.e. debts already incurred
 - schools
- 5. No assistance is to exceed half of project or maintenance costs.
- Applications will not be considered unless accompanied by a balance sheet or statement of income and expenditure for the current financial year that has been reviewed independently.
- 7. Applications must be made on the form available.
- 8. Applications will be considered on merit.
- **9.** The Community Board reserves the right to adjust the guidelines for any specific application.
- 10. Late applications will not be considered or carried forward.
- Written quotes <u>must</u> be provided from suppliers to support any application seeking financial assistance for a project that involves either labour and/or material costs.
- 12. All funds granted from this Scheme must be uplifted within twelve months of the date of the approval being advised. After this time the offer of funding shall lapse unless the Board gives its consent to a request from the applicant to carry forward for a specified period the amount allocated.

10. General Assistance Grants Scheme 2018/19

10.5 That the following grants be approved for disbursement from the Eketahuna Community Board's General Assistance Grants Scheme for the 2018/19 annual funding allocation.

Name	Project	Amount Granted
Eketahuna Bowling Club	Rates remission	\$700
Eketahuna Club	Vacuum cleaner	\$250
Eketahuna Golf Club	Water rates relief	\$700
Eketahuna Our Town	Community newsletter	\$410
Eketahuna Swimming Pool Management Committee	Thermal blanket cover	\$2,000
Friends of Anzac Bridge	Maintain walkway and bridge surrounding area	\$300
St John Bush Area Committee	Paint existing Eketahuna St John building	\$1,000
Total amount granted		\$5,360