



Eketāhuna Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Eketāhuna Community Board held in the Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall, corner of Jones Street and State Highway 2, Eketāhuna on Monday 14 September 2020 commencing at 10.00am.

1. Present

Board Members C C Death (Chairperson), D F Clifton and Cr R A Treder (Council appointed Community Board member).

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

- 2.1 *That the apologies be sustained from Board Members S C McGhie and T M Carew for non-attendance at the meeting.*

Treder/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 Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held on 10 August 2020 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Clifton/Treder

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 Town Centre CCTV Security Cameras Monitoring System (Item 6.2)

- 6.1.1 Board Member Carew is to ask Eketāhuna Our Town Committee to consider applying for funding to undertake a project to extend the scope of the Eketāhuna town centre CCTV security cameras monitoring system.

6.2 2021/2031 Long Term Plan (Item 10.1)

- 6.2.1 Council decided not to proceed with hosting public workshops across the district during August and September for pre-consultation on the Long Term Plan due to level two Covid-19 restrictions regarding gatherings.

- 6.2.2 Instead it has implemented contactless alternatives to gather information for that purpose, with these being as follows:

- A feedback form is to be sent through a district-wide mail out which can be completed offline.
- A social pinpoint digital platform is provided for completion online.
- A feedback form is placed in the Bush Telegraph.

6.3 Town Centre Tile Painting (Item 6.3)

- 6.3.1 *That to complete the town centre community tile painting project the Board provide from its discretionary funds half of the amount for that purpose (being an estimated cost of \$500 plus GST), with an equal contribution also to be made available from Eketāhuna Our Town Committee.*

Treder/Clifton

Carried

- 6.3.2 The seat and rubbish bin situated by the Eketāhuna Service Centre/Library building have been temporarily removed to install the town centre tile painting, and they will be relocated in that vicinity.

- 6.3.3 The Chairperson is meeting with Plant and Property Contracts Supervisor Kelly Christensen following this meeting to determine the arrangements regarding that matter.

6.4 Armistice Day (Item 6.6)

- 6.4.1 New Zealand Army Tenth Transport Company sent seven representatives to Eketāhuna on 1 September 2020 to undertake the following community projects:

- Cut down trees at Eketāhuna Community Health Centre.
- Move old stoves and a piano at Eketāhuna Mellemskov Museum.

6.5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station in Eketāhuna (Item 6.8)

- 6.5.1 ChargeNet NZ intend to install an electric vehicle charging station in Eketāhuna with provision for two power point connections.

6.5.2 It will be located behind the Eketāhuna Service Centre/Library building, and Manager Strategy and District Development Peter Wimsett is liaising with them regarding the siting and upgrade of the power supply source.

6.6 **Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award** (Item 12)

6.6.1 The Chairperson abstained from discussion and voting on the decision regarding this item of business.

6.6.2 ***That the Board confirm in open meeting the decision made in public excluded business at its previous meeting to present the Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award to Rena Tyler to acknowledge her service to the Eketāhuna community, and***

That the catering for this event be provided by Eketāhuna Home and School, with this cost to be covered from the Board's discretionary funds.

Treder/Clifton

Carried

6.6.3 The presentation of the Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award to Rena Tyler will be held on 24 October 2020 at 1.00pm in the Eketāhuna Community Centre Supper Room.

6.6.4 Cr Treder will make the arrangements for the catering and circulate invitations to attend the presentation of this award.

7. Tararua District Council Report

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

Death/Clifton

Carried

7.2 **Connect Tararua**

7.2.1 Cr Treder will ascertain the area to be covered by the tower located at the Mangatainoka Valley site.

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

8.1 **Tararua Emergency Management Committee**

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

- Thanks are conveyed to District Resilience Manager Stephen Dunn, Events and Administration Assistant Mercedes Waitere-McCallum, Welfare Manager Sharon Wards and the team of the Emergency Operations Centre on their response to the Covid-19 pandemic event.

- As at mid-August the district's rainfall was 50% down on usual monthly average levels received for that time of the year.
- Under Covid-19 alert level two only firemen are permitted to be at the fire station.

8.2 Eketāhuna 150th Anniversary Celebrations

8.2.1 The Chairperson reported on discussions regarding progressing the planning to arrange the Eketāhuna 150th anniversary celebrations, including reference to the following matters:

- Planning for the anniversary celebrations is in the early stages, with a small group of five people attending a meeting to discuss that matter.
- The group will co-opt other members as planning progresses to confirm the intended arrangements.
- Tentative dates for the anniversary celebrations are 10, 11 and 12 March 2023.
- Initial discussions are about arranging a parade, sponsors and different events.

8.3 Connecting with Rural Communities

8.3.1 The Board visited Alfredton School on 10 August 2020 to liaise with residents in that rural area, and while there was a small attendance this event was well received.

8.3.2 The Council's CRM system was explained, and since meeting with residents they now have an understanding on the use of that process to report requests for service.

8.3.3 Roding issues raised by residents are being followed up by Tararua Alliance to address them and achieve a satisfactory outcome.

8.3.4 The Board intend to arrange a similar visit to this area annually as it considers this very worthwhile in providing an opportunity to meet with residents from those rural communities.

8.4 Eketāhuna Our Town Incorporated

8.4.1 A copy of the Eketāhuna Our Town Incorporated 13 August 2020 committee meeting minutes and reports are tabled for the Board's information.

8.4.2 It is noted arrangements are progressing for this year's Santa Cruise Eketāhuna Christmas parade held on 28 November 2020, with the road closures application and traffic management plan being submitted for this annual community event.

9. Correspondence

9.1 *That the correspondence as listed be received.*

(a) Loreen and Kerry Cunningham
Re: Eketāhuna Camping Ground August report

Clifton/Treder

Carried

- 9.2 A CRM is to be submitted requesting the potholes are repaired in the driveway of the Eketāhuna Camping Ground.

10. Consultation on Priority Thoroughfares for Earthquake-prone Buildings

- 10.1 A copy of Council's consultation document on identifying priority thoroughfares for earthquake-prone buildings and further information on understanding the new system and legislation for managing them is tabled.
- 10.2 The Chairperson attended the presentation held in the Eketāhuna Community Centre on 8 September 2020, and the opportunity is available to view the recorded presentation on Council's website and Facebook page.
- 10.3 The Board at its October meeting will include this item of business on its agenda to discuss whether to make a submission regarding the proposed thoroughfares being considered for Eketāhuna.

11. Chairperson's Remarks

11.1 Eketāhuna Community Health Centre

- 11.1.1 The Chairperson will attend the Eketāhuna Community Health Centre Annual General Meeting held on 17 September 2020 commencing at 6.00pm.

11.2 NZToday RV Lifestyle Magazine

- 11.2.1 A very good story and photos by Allan Dick on his road trip travelling to explore Eketāhuna and Pukaha National Wildlife Centre featured in the September/October edition of the NZToday RV Lifestyle magazine.
- 11.2.2 Thanks are conveyed to Tanmay Patel from Four Square Eketāhuna for kindly covering the cost of the Eketāhuna Mellemkov Museum advertisement included in that feature to promote it as a place to visit and view displays of the district's Maori, Scandinavian and European heritage.

11.3 Fred West Building

- 11.3.1 Concern is expressed regarding the risk to public safety caused by the poor condition of the under-verandah lights on the Fred West building (next to the Eketāhuna Service Centre/Library), and a CRM will be submitted requesting this matter be rectified.

12. Items Not on the Agenda

- 12.1 Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 11.20am.

Chairperson