

Eketāhuna Community Board

Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Eketāhuna Community Board will be held in the Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall, corner of Jones Street and State Highway 2, Eketāhuna on **Monday 9 May 2022** commencing at **10.00am**.

Bryan Nicholson 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

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Recommendation

That the minutes of the Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held on 11 April 2022 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

- 6. Matters Arising from the Minutes
- 7. Tararua District Council Report

To be circulated

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 27 April 2022 (as circulated) be received.

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

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Recommendation

That the correspondence as listed be received.

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

10. General Assistance Grants Scheme

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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 \$6,608.63 is available for disbursement, with there being five applications seeking \$5,406.62 in funding.

- 11. Chairperson's Remarks
- 12. Items Not on the Agenda
- 13. Closure



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 11 April 2022 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

Mrs T Collis - Her Worship the Mayor

Mr R Taylor - Manager - Democracy Services

Member of the public as outlined in item 7 regarding request for disabled parking in Haswell Street

- 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 Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held on 14 March 2022 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Clifton/McGhie Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 **Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall Remembrance Area Lighting** (Item 6.3)

6.1.1 A meeting was held with Mayor Tracey Collis to discuss the lighting of the remembrance area at the Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall, and options are to be considered regarding its ongoing maintenance.

6.2 **Eketāhuna Domain Proposed Dog Walking Area** (Item 6.4)

- 6.2.1 Council is currently consulting on the Dog Control Bylaw and Dog Control Policy that designates public places for providing dog exercise areas, and submissions can be made on that matter.
- 6.2.2 The proposal working with the community to consider the concept to develop a dog walking area at the Eketāhuna domain area is to be progressed through further investigation and discussion regarding its feasibility.

6.3 **Eketāhuna Water Treatment Plant Upgrade** (Item 7.2)

- 6.3.1 In addition to Council's Bush Telegraph page it is requested that updates are provided on the project to upgrade the Eketāhuna water treatment plant through including a report in the Eketāhuna community newsletter.
- 6.3.2 Precautionary boil water notices were issued for Eketāhuna water supply as it has been just outside the mandatory drinking water standards, and they are lifted once three consecutive days of tests are received indicating the turbidity is clear.
- 6.3.3 While there was commentary on Facebook questioning why Eketāhuna didn't receive a Fonterra tanker to access drinking water during that period (as occurred in Dannevirke) it is because that town's water supply moved to a mandatory boil water notice (indicating an increased degree of risk concerning its very high turbidity level).
- 6.3.4 Logging occurring in the vicinity of the Eketāhuna water supply would have required the contractor to submit a plan to the Horizons Regional Council to undertake that work. This includes controls for managing any sediment resulting from that activity to ensure it did not impact on the water supply's quality.

6.4 **Eketāhuna Community Centre** (Item 11)

- 6.4.1 Discussions have occurred with the Manager of Facilities Jessi McKenzie to ensure the appearance of Eketāhuna Community Centre is smart and neat for next year's 150th anniversary Eketāhuna Jubilee.
- 6.4.2 Work is to be undertaken on the interior of the main hall, curtains replaced and new chairs provided.

- 6.5 **Anzac Day** (Item 6.6)
- 6.5.1 Painting of memorial crosses has been completed to honour the remembrance of those people from the Eketāhuna community that died serving their country in world war conflicts.
- Flags for the commemoration of Anzac Day have been ordered, and arrangements for the Eketāhuna community ceremony are being progressed.
- 6.5.3 There will be no Anzac Day community ceremony held this year at Kaiparoro Anzac Memorial bridge, but an event is planned on 3 December 2022 to commemorate the centenary of its official opening.
- 6.5.4 The proposed hitching posts made from railway sleepers with a commemorative plaque to honour the memory of local men who served in the Eketāhuna Mounted Rifles are to be progressed for completion by Armistice Day in November this year.
- 6.6 **Eketāhuna District Entry Signage** (Item 6.2)
- 6.6.1 Feedback has been received that the new signage installed in Eketāhuna is difficult to read because of its location.
- 6.6.2 Due to overhead power lines and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency requirements and suitable sites the options around installation were limited.
- 6.6.3 If viewing the sign becomes challenging a new style of sign will be designed utilising existing infrastructure and use the current sign on the new Te Ahu a Turanga Manawatu Tararua Highway when built.
- The sign will be left in place until it is ready to be installed on the new highway, and discussions are occurring with Council's designer about a new style of sign for Eketāhuna.
- 7. Request for Disabled Parking in Haswell Street (Brought Forward on the Agenda)
- 7.1 Roy Hancock requested the Board seek a disabled parking space be provided in Haswell Street within the vicinity of the Eketāhuna Inn Hotel and the electric vehicle charging station.
- 7.2 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Steen McGhie will work with Roy Hancock to progress developing a proposal to support consideration being given to this suggestion for an area to be designated for that purpose.
- 7.3 In considering the feasibility of this proposal it will include consulting with the property owners in that vicinity and providing an indication of the likely use of a disabled car park located on that street.

8. Tararua District Council Report

8.1 That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 March 2022 (as circulated) be received.

Death/Treder Carried

8.2 Super Consultation Round 2

- 8.2.1 A copy of the Super Consultation Round 2 document is circulated to board members, and consideration could be given regarding any submissions or feedback from the Board (by 6 May 2022) in respect of the following matters:
 - Annual Plan 2022/2023
 - District Strategy
 - Housing Strategy
 - Library Strategy
 - Water Supply Bylaw
 - Dog Control Policy and Bylaw
 - Gambling and Venues Policy
- 8.2.2 Board members can discuss these topics with representatives of Council at the Super Consultation Expo held tomorrow at the Eketāhuna Community Centre from 1.00 to 4.00pm.
- 8.2.3 Concern is expressed regarding the proposed 11.37% rates increase, and the impact this will have on the community at a time when the cost of living and inflation is rising.
- 8.2.4 The considerations taken into account by Council in responding to the challenges resulting from inflation, rising interest costs, supply chains disruption, staff shortages and a growing district were explained.
- 8.2.5 These factors contributed to the level of the rates increase and maintaining service levels without any reduction to the activities being provided to the district's communities.
- 8.2.6 It also recognised priorities in the work plan programmed for the 2022/2023 financial year, continued compliance, renewing aging and underperforming assets, infrastructure investment and right-sizing of staff numbers.
- 8.2.7 The Board may wish to consider providing feedback (by 6 May 2022) on options for Council to reduce the proposed rates increase without having a detrimental impact on projects, programmes and community services it provides.

8.3 **Draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2022/2032**

8.3.1 Horizons Regional Council is seeking community feedback on its draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2022/2032, and this sets the framework for how Horizons plans and delivers public transport services and infrastructure across the region over the next ten years. Submissions can be made closing on 12 May 2022.

- 9. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities
- 9.1 Tararua District Road Safety Group
- 9.1.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Steen McGhie reported he spoke on the pedestrian crossing in Eketāhuna town centre at the Tararua District Road Safety Group meeting held by audio-visual link on 29 March 2022.
- 9.1.2 This followed up the request made by the Eketāhuna Our Town Committee to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency seeking the pedestrian crossing be raised and coloured to make it safer.
- 10. Correspondence
- 10.1 That the correspondence as listed be received.
 - a) Kerry and Loreen Cunningham
 Re: Eketāhuna Camping Ground February report
 - b) David Shannon Eketāhuna MENZSHED 21 February 2022 Re: Thanks for funding to build a storeroom/shed
 - c) Eketāhuna Our Town Incorporated Re: 10 March 2022 Annual General Meeting, Committee Meeting and reports
 - d) Peter Wimsett Manager Strategy and Climate Change 23 March 2022 Re: CCTV cameras project cost McGhie/Carew Carried
- 11. Chairperson's Remarks
- 11.1 Nil
- 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 11.43am.

Chairperson	

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EKETAHUNA CAMPING GROUND MARCH 2022 REPORT

March visitor numbers were quite good for this time of the year. Soon we should start getting some overseas visitors.

VISITORS

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

POWER SITE 254 (kiwi 254 o/s 0)

CABINS 43 (kiwi 43 o/s 0)

UNPOWERED 121 (kiwi 121 o/s 0)

VAC PASSES END

Having vac passes in the camping ground went very well. Visitors thought it was very good. A lot of our visitors are older couples. They are very careful about covit and didn't want to take any risks. The summer as a whole went very well without any problems. We had a bit of abuse near the end of the vac period but was only from a few persons.

OVERSEAS VISITORS

Will be great to welcome overseas visitors again. The young overseas visitors will start to visit in their old vans and cars.

KERRY& LOREEN CUNNINGHAM

General Assistance Grants Scheme 2021/2022

The Board has received five applications seeking \$5,406.62 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 \$6,608.63 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 Golf Club	Water rates relief	\$ 2,913.05
2.	Eketahuna Lawn Tennis Club	Turf and pavilion insurance	\$ 348.00
3.	Eketahuna Our Town 150 th Subcommittee	Commemorative coins	\$ 1,250.00
4.	Friends of the Anzac Memorial Bridge	Signboards	\$ 700.00
5.	Te Whare Ora o Eketahuna Health Centre	Business cards and pamphlets	\$ 195.57
To	Total amount requested		

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.
- 2. Financial assistance will only be available for a specific project or projects or for the maintenance of a facility, and to offset fixed operational costs including such amounts incurred for rates and insurance payments.
- 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/fixed operational costs.
- 6. 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.
- The Community Board reserves the right to adjust the guidelines for any specific application.
- 10. Late applications will not be considered or carried forward.
- 11. 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.
- 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.

General Assistance Grants Scheme

That the following grants be approved for disbursement from the Eketāhuna Community Board's General Assistance Grants Scheme for the 2020/2021 annual funding allocation.

Name	Project	Amount Granted
Eketāhuna Community Radio Society	Equipment and public liability insurance	\$ 767.17
Eketāhuna and Districts Early Settlers Museum Society	Digital collection catalogue	\$1,450.00
Eketāhuna Golf Club	Water rates relief	\$1,055.00
Eketāhuna Lawn Tennis Club	Turf and pavilion insurance	\$ 350.96
Eketāhuna Menz Shed	Build extension to store materials	\$1,000.00
Friends of the Anzac Memorial Bridge	Walkway and Anzac Bridge surrounds maintenance	\$ 170.00
Eketāhuna Bowling Club	Rates remission	\$ 610.38
Total amount granted		\$5,403.51