



Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 1 June 2011 – 5:30 p.m.

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- Present:** Cr Jan Byford
Cr Ed Cherry
Mrs Michelle Fannin
Mr Angus Gordon (Chair)
Ms Gail Larsen
Ms Phyllis Leigh
- In attendance:** Mr Michael Hodder, Community Services Group Manager
Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration
- Also Present:** Mr Mick Lester, Zone 3 Representative on the Community Boards Executive Committee
Sgt Mark Toms, Taihape Police (left at 5.45pm)

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Public Forum

Sgt Mark Toms from the Taihape Police spoke on traffic issues relating to the number of buses and trucks that were double parking on Robin and Tui Street. He said that as this was an uncontrolled intersection, there had been some “near misses.” Also of concern, were trucks that double parked in the main street to drop of stock when the safer option would be to use the service alley ways.

The Board agreed to meet on site with Mr Toms for further discussions on this matter.

3 Confirmation of Order of Business

Mr Hodder tabled a report on the Taihape Cemetery – Hedging on the Western Side. He advised that this would be discussed under Late Items (Item 21) of the Agenda.

Councillor Byford asked that the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Campaign to promote cigarette butt containers be discussed under Late Items (Item 21) of the Agenda.

Resolved minute number	11/TCB/042	File Ref	6-CE-5
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I move that, under section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the issue of the Taihape Cemetery – Hedging on the Western side (not on the agenda for this Taihape Community Board meeting because, when the order paper was prepared and distributed, progress on this issue was not available, and that it be dealt with at this meeting in order to allow the proposed work to get underway.

Mr Gordon/Cr Cherry. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/043** **File Ref**

I move that, under section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the issue of the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Campaign to promote cigarette butt containers (not on the agenda for this Taihape Community Board meeting) be dealt with at this meeting because, when the order paper was being prepared and distributed, this issue was not known and that it is one which Board members need to be aware of,

4 Presentation on CDEM Act 2002 by Paul Chaffe, Emergency Management Officer

Mr Chaffe gave a very informative presentation on the role of the Civil Defence and Emergency Management. He asked that the Taihape Community Board encourage the Taihape community to be prepared in the event of a disaster occurring. He said that you must be prepared to look after yourself and family for at least 3 days so having a survival kit was very important.

Mr Chaffe advised that he was willing to speak to other local groups in order to get this message across.

5 Discussion with Mick Lester, Zone 3 Representative on the Community Boards Executive Committee

Mr Lester thanked the Taihape Community Board for seconding his nomination as Zone 3 Representative on the Community Boards Executive Committee.

One of his aims was to promote the good work that local community boards did in order to gain respect from local government New Zealand. In order to do so, he asked that all Boards share with him their achievements.

Mr Lester spoke on the idea that each Board have a Community Plan. The plan would involve the whole community and it would enable the Board to get their ideas into Councils long term and district plans. He tabled examples from Clive and Flaxmere for the Boards information and to use as a template.

Mr Lester suggested that a Zone 3 meeting for all Board Members be held, possibly in Feilding. He asked that the Taihape Board come up with any ideas for speakers etc.

6 Members' Conflict of Interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of the items on the Agenda.

7 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/044** **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 6 April 2011, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Cherry/Mrs Fannin. Carried

8 Chair's Report

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/045** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 1 June 2011 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented, be received.

Mr Gordon/Ms Leigh. Carried

9 Council Decisions on Recommendations from the Taihape Community Board

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/046** **File Ref**

That the report on Council Decisions on Recommendations from the Taihape Community Board be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Byford. Carried

10 Financial Report, July 2010-March 2011

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/047** **File Ref**

That the Financial Report on Taihape services(July 2010 – March 2011) to the 1 June 2011 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented be received.

Cr Cherry/Mr Gordon. Carried

11 Submission on the Proposed District Plan

Mr Gordon mentioned that jet boating on the Rangitikei had become quite contentious. Mr Hodder advised that this would be dealt with through the processes prescribed in the Resource Management Act for considering submissions and further submissions.

12 Report from Workshop

Following discussions at the Taihape Community Board's workshop of 29 April 2011, on the Office of Treaty Settlement land on Robin Street, the Board made the following resolution.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/048** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board recommends to Council in respect of the Office of Treaty Settlement land in Robin Street that

- Council does not rent the land and that only offers to mow the land on behalf of OTS in order to keep it tidy;
- the area is used a dog exercise area;
- signage for the dog exercise on SH1 be provided possibly on the Kuku Street intersection, and possibly in the Outback to encourage the travelling public to use the area;
- a "doggy doo" bin be installed adjacent to the area;
- the mowing be undertaken by a local contractor on an as needed basis to lower the cost to the ratepayer; and
- funding for the mowing come from the TCB small projects budget or some other organisation.

Mr Gordon/Mrs Fannin. Carried

13 Feedback from the Long Term Plan pre-consultation

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/049** **File Ref** **1-LTP-3**

That the report, "Feedback: Long Term Plan pre-consultation" be received.

Cr Cherry/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/050** **File Ref** **1-LTP-3**

That the Council arranges a workshop in early July for Community Boards/Committees and Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to discuss the issues identified for further consultation in the report "Feedback: Long Term Plan pre-consultation".

Cr Cherry/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/051** **File Ref** **1-LTP-3**

That the Chief Executive prepares a report on the Council's draft Financial Strategy for the October 2011 meetings of the Community Boards/Committees and Te Roopu Ahi Kaa.

Cr Cherry/Mrs Fannin. Carried

14 Taihape Health's request to waiver the Registration Fee for food preparation at the Taihape Women's Club

This item was discussed at length. Mr Hodder said that the Property Manager and Regulatory Manager felt that this would be a good service to have available. Ms Leigh agreed that this would be a very positive move. Mrs Fannin was of the opinion that it should be up to the Wanganui Health Board to cover the health registration fee.

Mr Hodder suggested that the Board receive the letter. He would discuss the funding obligations with the Regulatory Manager.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/052** **File Ref** **2-EA-3-2**

That the Taihape Community Board receive the letter from Taihape Health.

Crs Cherry/Byford. Carried

15 Project Allocation Funding

Councillor Byford spoke on this item. She asked that money from the small projects allocation fund be used to develop a feature wall using Rangitikei rocks in the garden outside of the Taihape Library.

The Board were in favour of seeking more quotes for work on this project. Councillor Byford to manage the project with supervision from a Council Engineer.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/053** **File Ref**

That the issues submission from Cr Byford on Project Allocation Funding be received.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/054** **File Ref**

That \$3,000 + GST be allocated for the supply and build of a rock wall feature outside the Taihape Library subject to the Taihape Community Board Chair and Councillor Byford

managing the process and to be signed of by the Rangitikei District Council Engineer and that \$11.95 + GST and freight of \$1.10 be allocated to purchase 10m bunting for the Town Hall veranda.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried

16 Taihape Main Street Upgrade

The Board agreed to invite all interested parties to a work shop to discuss Taihape Main Street issues and future plans. Councillor Cherry cautioned the Board to be careful what they planned ahead due to the impact that this may have on rates.

Councillor Byford asked Taihape Street signage be discussed at the workshop. She said that a lot of the signage would either need to be replaced or removed. The Board to invite Sergeant Toms to attend.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/055** **File Ref**

That the update report no. 4 on the Taihape Main Street Upgrade project and issues submissions from the Chair and Cr Byford be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Byford. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/056** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board holds a workshop with other interested and involved parties to discuss further areas requiring upgrading.

Crs Byford/Cherry. Carried

17 Relocation of South Taihape Gumboot Sign

Councillor Byford spoke on this item. She said that there was \$1,300 in the signage account and that NZTA had approved the conditions for the relocation of the south gumboot sign. Mr Aslett had agreed to undertake this project in conjunction with a local builder.

The Board were all in agreement that this project be funded from the signage account up to the amount of \$500.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/057** **File Ref**

That the issues submission from Cr Byford regarding relocation of the Gumboot sign at the southern entrance of Taihape be received.

Cr Cherry/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/058** **File Ref**

That the cost of the relocation of the South Taihape Gumboot sign be covered by funds in the signage account up to the amount of \$500.

Cr Cherry/Mrs Fannin. Carried

18 Rugby World Cup

Councillor Byford spoke on this item. She felt that this was a unique opportunity and was seeking ideas to encourage campervans and others to stop in Taihape for a day during the Rugby World Cup.

Councillor Byford agreed to organise a workshop with other interested parties to discuss ideas to attract visitors to stop in our district.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/059** **File Ref**

That the issues submission from Cr Byford regarding the Rugby World Cup be received.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/060** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board hold a workshop with other interested and involved parties to discuss attracting visitors to stop in the Rangitikei District during the Rugby World Cup.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried
Cr Cherry. Against
Ms Leigh. Abstained

19 Half-year condition rating of public toilets

Forms were collected from TCB members.

20 Marton Edale Home

Mr Hodder advised that this issue had now been resolved.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/061** **File Ref**

That the Chair's submission regarding Council's decision (on 12 May 2011) to provide financial support in 2011/12 for the Edale Home in Marton be received.

Mr Gordon/Mrs Fannin. Carried

21 Late Items

Taihape Cemetery – Hedging on the Western side.

The tabled report on the Taihape Cemetery – Hedging on the Western side was discussed. All members were in favour of the following resolutions.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/062** **File Ref** **6-CE-5**

That the report 'Taihape Cemetery – hedging on the western side' be received.

Crs Cherry/Byford. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/063** **File Ref** **6-CE-5**

That the Taihape Community Board temporarily sets aside Standing Order 3.9.18 to allow the Board to revoke part of resolution 11/TCB/038 because further investigation by Council officers has secured an opportunity to address the hedging and fencing issues on the western side of the Taihape Cemetery within the next month within available budget.

Ms Leigh/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/064** **File Ref** **6-CE-5**

That the Taihape Community Board revokes that part of resolution 11/TCB/038 referring to the hedging and fence on the western side of the Taihape cemetery (but not that part referring to roading in the cemetery).

Ms Leigh/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/065** **File Ref** **6-CE-5**

That the Taihape Community Board approves the proposal negotiated with Arborco to address the hedging issue on the western boundary of the Taihape cemetery with immediate effect, at a cost of up to \$12,000.

Ms Leigh/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Keep New Zealand Beautiful Campaign

Councillor Byford tabled information on the Keep New Zealand Beautiful campaign to address the issue of cigarette butt litter. The campaign "No Ifs, Butts or Maybes" will be making specially designed litter receptacles available free of charge to all local councils.

Councillor Byford suggested an article be submitted to the local paper on this initiative. She would forward information on to the Parks and Property Officer.

Also discussed were the levels of service for the Taihape street cleaning contract. Cr Cherry advised that the sumps had not been cleaned out and that litter had built up under the grates which would cause flooding. Ms Larsen said that she was constantly picking up rubbish from outside of the Go Bus depot.

Mr Hodder to pass on these concerns to the Parks and Property officer.

Mr Lester thanked the Taihape Community Board for inviting him to their meeting. He commended their interaction with one another and felt that their submission forms were a great idea.

22 Date of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Taihape Community Board to be held, Wednesday 3 August 2011,

23 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____