



Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 10 August 2011 – 5:35 p.m.

Reconvened – Monday 15 August 2011 – 4.02 pm

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Wednesday 10 August:

Present: Cr Jan Byford
Cr Ed Cherry (left 8.30pm)
Mrs Michelle Fannin
Mr Angus Gordon (Chair)
Ms Gail Larsen
Ms Phyllis Leigh

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community Services Group Manager
His Worship the Mayor, Chalky Leary (arrived 5.45, left 6.35pm)
Cr Andy Watson (left 6.45pm)
Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration

Also Present: Mr Dave Whatarau (left 5.45pm)
Mrs Theona Ormsby (arrived 6.10pm, left 6.40pm)

Reconvened - Monday 15 August:

Present: Cr Jan Byford
Cr Ed Cherry
Mrs Michelle Fannin
Mr Angus Gordon (Chair)

In attendance: Ms Gaylene Prince, Administration

1 Apologies

There were no apologies

2 Public Forum

Mr Whatarau presented a draft sketch and information on the Photo Board that the Taihape Youth Forum wanted to erect by the Gumboot throwing lane. He sought the Board's approval and help with costs as the project had been declined by the Creative Communities Fund. He felt that this would be a great promotional idea for the town, and would like to see it installed in time for the Rugby World Cup. He would oversee the project with the help of the Taihape Youth Forum Group who would also be in charge of maintaining it. Taihape Area School art students would do the painting with supervision from the art teacher.

The Board understood discussion would require acceptance of the matter as a late item.

3 Confirmation of Order of Business

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/066** **File Ref**

That the proposed photo board by the Gumboot throwing lane and the proposed shortened hours for the public toilets at Taihape Memorial Park be accepted as urgent late items, acknowledging that both items had arisen after the Order Paper had been prepared and circulated, and that a decision was needed at this meeting; and

That, following consideration of those two items, Board members be permitted briefly to comment or raise questions on the Moa Street Walkway, the Fire Station entrance, Taihape Neighbourhood Support Group, Taihape Gardens and footpath hazards

Mr Angus/Cr Byford. Carried

4 Members' Conflict of Interest

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

5 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Mr Gordon asked that the following amendment be made to the previous minutes:

Page 6 - Item 15 - Project Allocation Funding

The Taihape Community Board Chair and Councillor Byford to manage the project with supervision from a Councillor Engineer.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/067** **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 1 June 2011, as amended, be taken as read as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Crs Cherry/Byford. Carried

6 Chair's Report

The Chair tabled his report. He advised the Board that he would circulate a report on the recent "Zone 3" Community Boards workshop that he had attended.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/068** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 10 August 2011 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented, be received.

Mr Gordon/Cr Cherry. Carried

7 Council Decisions on Recommendations from the Taihape Community Board

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/069** **File Ref**

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

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried

8 Financial Report

Councillor Cherry queried what had contributed to the Swimming Pools budget been over estimated. Mr Hodder to seek clarification from the Financial Services Team Leader and report back.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/070** **File Ref**

That the Financial Report on Taihape services (1 July 2010 – 30 June 2011) to the 10 August 2011 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented be received.

Cr Cherry/Mr Gordon. Carried

9 Taihape Main Street Upgrade

The report on the Taihape Main Street Upgrade issues was tabled and discussed.

Councillor Cherry asked that the water pooling by the town hall crossing be addressed as this was a safety issue. Councillor Byford asked that the connection to the watering system for the hanging baskets be reinstated.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/071** **File Ref**

That the report on recent issues and future plans for the Taihape Main Street Upgrade be received and be referred to the Roding Manager for action with a report to be provided to the October meeting of the Taihape Community Board.

Mrs Fannin/ Ms Larsen. Carried

The Board agreed that Item 13 would now be taken to allow Mrs Ormsby to speak on her submission.

13 Taihape Parking

Mrs Ormsby spoke on her submission regarding the dangers arising from trucks having to double park on Tui Street in order to unload their goods. She said this was due to a lot of business owners parking their vehicles outside of their shops for the whole day. She suggested that a loading zone be installed outside of her business. This would help ease congestion and Taihape police were willing to enforce it.

The Board discussed the idea of installing 1 hour parking signage in front of all businesses in the CBD. However there was some question as to whether it would be adhered to, as Taihape did not have an enforcement officer.

Councillor Byford was in favour of a loading zone as it had support from the local police. His Worship the Mayor commented that there would be a cost to putting lines on the road and ideally this should be addressed in the District Plan. He said that Marton had 1 hour parking signage which worked well and people generally respected it.

Mrs Fannin asked that all old signage be removed from the CBD before installing the proposed parking signage.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/072** **File Ref**

That the issue submission from Theona Ormsby regarding Taihape Parking be received and passed on to the Roding Manager for a report to be provided to the next meeting of the Taihape Community Board.

Ms Larsen/Ms Larsen. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/073** **File Ref**

That the Roding Manager be asked to advise the Taihape Community Board about a loading zone in Tui Street to ease traffic congestion as well as a 1 hour parking signage in front of all business's in the CBD.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin Carried

10 Update on pre-consultation process for 2012-22 Long Term Plan

Mr Hodder to pass on the Board's comments to the Policy Analyst.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/074** **File Ref** **1-LTP-3-1**

That the report "Update on pre-consultation process for 2012-22 Long Term Plan" be received.

Ms Larsen/Cr Byford. Carried

11 Green Corrugated Iron Fence at Taihape Memorial Park

The report from Council's Parks & Property Officer was discussed.

Although the Board were mostly in agreement to replace the fence, they agreed to adjourn this item in order to allow further information to be provided on the following issues:

- getting professional advice on powder coating, the difference in price between a 7 foot and 6 foot fence,
- the plans for the implement shed by the Utiku Old Boys Clubrooms,
- whether the Bowling Club had been consulted,
- should the whole fence be concreted in rather than just the posts, and
- whether a second gate had been factored into the quote.

In addition, a sketch map was requested.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/075** **File Ref** **6-RF-1**

That the report 'Green corrugated iron fence along the Taihape Memorial Park/Kokako Street boundary' be received.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/076** **File Ref**

That further consideration of the report 'Green corrugated iron fence along the Taihape Memorial Park/Kokako Street boundary' be held over for the next meeting of the Taihape Community Board.

Cr Byford/Ms Larsen. Carried

12 2011 Community Board Best Practice Awards

The Board to send their congratulations to Cr Aslett for receiving highly commended for his entry into the 2011 Best Practice Awards. Council staff to frame the certificate.

14 Taihape Promotions for the RWC

The Rugby World Cup submission from Councillor Byford was discussed. Until the Council's Strategic Planning & Policy Committee met (on 25 August 2011), the outcome of the application from the Taihape Community Development Trust was uncertain. No commitments could be made before then, but the Board was able to commit to a default provision if TCDT's application was unsuccessful.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/077** **File Ref**

If the Taihape Community Development Trust fails to secure funds from the Community Initiatives Fund, the Taihape Community Board will fund the promotional signs for the northern and southern events boards from the Small Projects Grant.

Ms Larsen/Cr Byford. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/078** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board resolve to fund the installation costs as in the previous recommendation from the Small Project Grant as well as the 2 toilet signs and signage on the Gumboot Throwing lane.

Cr Byford/Ms Larsen. Carried

15 Upgrading of the Entrance to Taihape

Councillor Cherry said that the contractors seemed to be unaware as to what their jobs entailed. There were a lot of sumps and water tables that needed to be cleaned out and the gratings were in need of pumping out.

The Board to log a request for service if they noticed work was not up to standard.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/079** **File Ref**

That the issue submission 'Upgrading of the entrance to Taihape' be received.

Ms Larsen/Ms Fannin. Carried

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/080** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board request the Rooding Manager ensure the contractors responsible for the area from the 50kph to Taihape to maintain the sumps, channels, berms, fences, bank shrubs and fencing to a more acceptable standard.

Cr Cherry/Ms Larsen. Carried

16 Taihape Dump Station

Councillor Byford tabled a submission form regarding the dump station in Taihape. There had been some suggestion from Council staff that due to the continual problems that this site faced, it may be closed for the RWC or possibly moved to the sale yards.

The Board were keen for the site to remain where it was for the duration of the Rugby World Cup and asked to receive confirmation regarding this matter.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/081** **File Ref**

That the issues submission 'Taihape Dump Station' be received; and

That the Taihape Community Board receive confirmation that the existing dump site stays at the current site during the Rugby World Cup and that they be consulted on for any future plans.

Cr Byford/Ms Larsen. Carried

17 Small Projects Grant

The memorandum was for the Board's information only.

18 Late Items

Photo Board

All Board members were all in favour of supporting the Photo Board. They agreed to fund the project \$200 from the Small Projects Grant. Ms Larsen to liaise with Mr Whatarau.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/082** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board fund \$200 from the Small Projects Grant towards the cost of the Taihape Photo Board and that Ms Larsen liaise with Mr Whatarau on this matter.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Taihape Memorial Park public toilets

Mr Hodder conveyed the thoughts from the Council's Parks and Property Officer and tabled a photo of the latest vandalism in the toilets. Other toilets in the town (apart from the 24 hour facility by the station) are open 8.00 am to 5.00 pm (7.00 pm during summer). The Board agreed that a 24/7 facility at Memorial Park was unnecessary. There would need to be allowance for particular events, such as horse events, where the toilets would remain open for a longer time.

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/083** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board were all in agreement that the closing of the Taihape Memorial Park toilets be synchronised with all toilets in town.

Cr Byford/Mrs Fannin. Carried

Brief comments/questions

Moa Street – Mr Hodder advised that work was underway on the Moa/Takahe Street walkway.

Fire Station Entrance – Mr Hodder advised that the initial design for the entranceway had proved to be insufficient. The Roading Manager is currently working on this.

Taihape Neighbourhood Support Group – Councillor Byford reported that she had attended a neighbourhood support group meeting in Feilding and plans are underway to hold a meeting next week in order to establish a Taihape Neighbourhood Support Group.

Taihape Gardens – Councillor Byford reported that five gardens in Taihape gardens had been dug out. Keep Taihape Beautiful had donated \$1,000 towards plants. Mr Schweikert had provided the plants and had prepared a planting plan. Councillor Byford commented on the nationwide campaign "Clean our own Litter" which would endeavour to clean up our rural roads.

Footpath Hazards - Mr Gordon reported on the dangers of ice that formed on the public street from condensation when the Taihape office heat pump was running. He was concerned about Council liability should someone happen to slip over and injure themselves. Mr Hodder to seek advice on this matter.

19 Meeting Adjourned

Resolved minute number **11/TCB/084** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board meeting of 10 August 2011, be adjourned at 8.40pm and to reconvene Monday 15 August 2011, at 5.30pm.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Byford. Carried

20 Meeting Reconvened – Monday 15 August 2011 – 4.02 pm

Resolved minute number 11/TCB/085 **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board meeting of 10 August 2011, be reconvened on Monday 15 August 2011 at 4.02 pm.

Mr Gordon/Cr Byford. Carried

Item 11 - Green Corrugated Iron Fence at Taihape Memorial Park

Resolved minute number 11/TCB/086 **File Ref**

That Item 11 – Green Corrugated Iron Fence at Taihape Memorial Park be left to lie on the table and be brought up at the next Taihape Community Board Meeting.

Mr Gordon/Cr Cherry. Carried

21 Date of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Taihape Community Board to be held, Wednesday 5 October 2011.

22 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 4.07 p.m.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____