



Rangitikei District Council

Ratana Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 13 April 2010 – 6:30 p.m.

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Present: Geoffrey Hipango
Whetu Hamahona
Audrey Williams
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

In Attendance: Richard Kirby, Assets Group Manager, RDC / MDC
Laurel Campbell, Governance Administrator, RDC

Apologies: Johnson Hamahona

1 Whakamoemiti

Geoffrey Hipango opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 10/RCB/010

That the apologies of Johnson Hamahona be received.

A Williams / W Hamahona Carried

3 Chair's Report

Mr Hipango gave a brief verbal report noting the progress of the ICT Hub, the successful reuse of the old fire station building as a community gym and the consideration of the annual plan submissions by Council.

Resolved minute number 10/RCB/011

That the Chair's verbal report to the Ratana Community Board meeting of 13 April 2010 be received.

G Hipango / W Hamahona Carried

4 Minutes of last meeting

Resolved minute number 10/RCB/012

That the Minutes of the Ratana Community Board meeting held on 9 February 2010 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

W Hamahona / A Williams Carried

5 Matters arising

There was some further discussion on the need to explain all the details of the candidate fees and the possibility that they may not be returned in some circumstances if a sponsor pays the fees on someone else's behalf.

The need for an alcohol ban in the public areas of the settlement was discussed and this desire has been communicated to the Bylaw Review Working Group. Issues with broken glass in the community remain.

6 Financial Report

Resolved minute number **10/RCB/013**

That the Financial Report (March 2010) be received.

W Hamahona / A Williams Carried

In response to questions from the Board Mr Kirby explained how staff time is charged for. There were also some questions regarding the housing costs.

7 Council decisions at its meeting 25 February 2010 on recommendations from the Ratana Community Board

The Board discussed further the desirability of an alcohol ban in the community.

8 Update on Ratana water drilling project

Mr Kirby gave a further update on the well drilling. To date the signs are very good and the water flow will be more than is required by the community and will also easily cope with the new housing development. The next step is to check the water quality and if this is good then they can proceed to piping the water to the community. Cr Peke-Mason sought clarification regarding the water being used by a local farmer and Mr Kirby said that this is not something that is being envisaged as the water is for domestic use in the Ratana Community.

Resolved minute number **10/RCB/014**

That the verbal update report on the Ratana Well Drilling Project be received.

G Hipango / A Williams Carried

9 Late items

1 Ratana Communal Board of Trustees – Special Projects report. Cr Peke-Mason tabled the report for the information of Board members and discussed some items within it.

Resolved minute number **10/RDB/015**

That the Ratana Communal Board of Trustees report to 31 March 2010 be received.

G Hipango / W Hamahona Carried

- 2 ICT Hub. Mr Hipango updated the Board on lease discussions that are underway. A survey is being done in Marton regarding their ICT Hub and he envisages something similar being done in Ratana.
- 3 The new gym is being opened on Saturday (17 April 2010). It is proving to be very popular in the community.
- 4 Sports Club Liquor Licence: the Ratana Sports Club applies for temporary liquor licences each year for home games. The functions take place in a building that is out of the community as the community should be liquor free. It has been suggested that in future years the Club gets a Club Licence but the community is opposed to this. Further discussions will take place with the Police regarding the community desire to have only temporary licences as required.

10 Next meeting

8 June 2010

11 Closing Whakamoemiti

Meeting closed at 7.27pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____