



Rangitikei District Council

Rātana Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 20 October 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

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Present: Ms Maata Thompson
Mr Tama Biddle
Mr Bjorn Barlien

Also present: Mr Pai Maraku, Ratana Community representative on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa
Ms Doreen Gardiner

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager

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1 Public Forum

No request had been received for this

2 Whakamoemiti

Mr Biddle provided the opening Whakamoemiti

3 Apologies/Leave of absence

Ms Rawhiti (hospital) and Cr Peke-Mason (Regional territorial authorities forum in Ohakune); Mr Barlien (for lateness); also His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson (Ohakune forum).

4 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair read out a number of items from Cr Peke-Mason for consideration later in the meeting. They were all matters which warranted discussion (and where feasible) decision at this meeting. Cr Peke-Mason also apologised for being unable to attend the recent hui of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa.

- Rangatahi painting of the bus shelter;
- Position of the two speed humps in Rātana Road;
- Hours of opening for the Ratana waste transfer station;
- Relocating the swings to allow a formal sports field with hard surface courts.

5 Confirmation of minutes

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That the Minutes of the Rātana Community Board meeting held on 18 August 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Biddle / Ms Thompson Carried

6 Chair's report

Ms Thompson noted a complaint about power lines on the main road being drawn down by farm machinery. It seemed more likely that the issue would have been with telephone wires. Either way, it wasn't really a matter for the Board or the Council.

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That the Chair's report to the Rātana Community Board meeting held on 20 October 2015 be received.

Ms Thompson / Mr Biddle Carried

7 Council decisions on recommendations from the Board

There were no recommendations from the Board presented to Council's meetings on 1 October 2015.

8 Commentary on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa's meeting of 12 October 2015

Mr Maraku elaborated on two matters relevant to the Rātana community:

Maori Community Development Fund

Ngati Hauiti was the only applicant for the Fund. Te Roopu Ahi Kaa was concerned to understand the accountability but was satisfied with the answers provided and had recommended that Council make the requested grant. The Rātana community could be a potential applicant for this and other Council grant funds. Mr Maraku was thinking particularly of the Waitangi Day celebrations in Rātana.

Heritage strategy

This had a strong emphasis on the district museums but the Ratana community's heritage resources were not yet noted. He acknowledged there needed to be discussion with the various Rātana authorities about this.

Resolved minute number

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That the verbal report from Mr Pai Maraku on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa's meeting of 12 October 2015 be received.

Ms Thompson / Mr Biddle Carried

9 Fencing on Rātana Urupa

The Board considered the note in the agenda:

At the Board's last meeting, the Chief Executive undertook to ascertain the outcome of the submission from Doreen Gardiner on renewing the fence on the Urupa. Council decided that the maintenance and upkeep of the Urupa should be incorporated in the review of the contract with the Rātana Communal Board of Trustees. This has occurred and discussions are currently proceeding (between the Board's Secretary and the Council's Community & Leisure Assets Team leader) on arranging the necessary work.

The Board considered that a farm-style post and wire fence was sufficient. Members requested an update at the next meeting on the erection of this fence and clarification on the boundary between the old urupa and the Council's lawn cemetery.

Ms Thompson left the meeting at 7.10 am

Mr Biddle assumed the Chair

Mr Barlien joined the meeting at 7.11 am

10 Single-day place-making workshop

Resolved minute number 15/ **File Ref**

That Tama Biddle be nominated to be the lead for Rātana in liaising with David Engwicht and engaging the wider community in the 1 Day Exploring Possibilities Workshop process and the date (30 January 2016) be confirmed

Mr Barlien / Mr Biddle Carried

11 Options for recycling at Ratana

Mr McMillan's report was tabled and considered. The suggested budget provision had been checked with the Council's finance team.

Resolved minute number 15/ **File Ref**

That the report 'Options for improving recycling at Rātana' be received.

Mr Barlien / Mr Biddle Carried

Resolved minute number 15/ **File Ref**

That the Rātana Community Board recommends that Council

- a) authorise the installation of a converted shipping container located inside the Rātana Waste Transfer Station site to allow additional items to be recycled during opening hours, with capital funding from the 2015/16 waste minimisation budget;
- b) agree that the opening hours at the Rātana Waste Transfer Station remain as they are (Wednesday 2.30pm-4.30pm and Saturday 9.00am – 12noon); and
- c) agree that the fly tipping issue at the Rātana Waste Transfer Station continue to be managed as it is presently.

Mr Barlien / Mr Biddle Carried

12 Update on housing development

This was deferred until the next meeting.

13 Rātana water treatment plant update

The Board considered the Utilities Asset Manager's report.

Resolved minute number **15/** **File Ref**

That the report 'Rātana water treatment plant update' to the October 2015 meeting of the Rātana Community Board be received.

Mr Biddle / Mr Barlien Carried

14 Late Items

Rangatahi painting of the bus shelters

Justine Leigh Manuel and Hawea Meihana presented an outline concept. Murals had the potential to stop the graffiti appearing on the bus shelters. There were artists studying at Massey who were willing to help. It could be an exemplar for similar projects elsewhere in the Paa. Mr Maraku saw potential for other marae, and would inform Te Roopu Ahi Kaa at its next hui.

Resolved minute number **15/** **File Ref**

That the Rātana Community Board recommends that \$500 be granted towards the Mahi Toi (Bus shelters art project) from the unallocated sum remaining in the Māori Community Development Fund.

Mr Biddle / Mr Barlien Carried

Position of the two speed humps in Rātana Road

Mr Biddle clarified that these were to be (i) by the start of the gardens at the entrance into the Paa and (ii) mid-way between the intersection with Tairawhiti Street and the path from Rātana Road leading into the Temple.

Hours of opening for the Rātana waste transfer station

This had been considered during item 11.

Relocating the swings to allow a formal sports field with hard surface courts

This suggestion also included landscaping of the whole area. This was seen as a matter best progressed through a community hui. The Church would need to agree to such a development. Council staff could assist with investigating the feasibility (and costs) for this, if so desired.

15 Next meeting

Tuesday 15 December 2015, 6.30 pm

16 Closing Whakamoemiti

Mr Biddle provided the closing Whakamoemiti.

7.51 pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

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