

Rangitikei District Council

Ratana Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 13 December 2016 – 6:30 p.m.



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Present: Mr Charlie Mete
Mr Charlie Rourangi
Mr Thomas Tataurangi
Ms Maata Kare Thompson

In Attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Andrew van Bussel, Operations Manager [Utilities]
Mr David Miller, Asset Engineer – Roading and Utilities
One member of the Rātana community

Tabled documents: **Item 3** Proposed Standing Orders
Item 11 Terms of reference for the Marton Wastewater Advisory Group (Appendix 1 to the report)

1 Whakamoemiti

Ms M Thompson provided the opening Karakia. Mr C Mete welcomed everyone.

2 Public forum

Nobody from the community had requested to speak.

3 Apologies

That the apology from Cr Peke-Mason be received.

Mr C Mete / Ms M Thompson. Carried

4 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair was comfortable with the proposed Order. He accepted the new Standing Orders (proposed for adoption at the Board's next meeting) could be tabled as a late item.

5 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number	16/RCB/024	File Ref
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That the Minutes of the Ratana Community Board meeting held on 9 November 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms M Thompson / Mr C Mete. Carried

6 Chair's report

The Chair did not have a verbal report for this meeting, but would have one for the next.

7 Council decisions on recommendations from the Board

There were no recommendations from the Board considered by Council at its meeting on 1 December 2016.

8 Response to queries raised at previous meetings

There were no queries raised at the previous meeting requiring a response from staff.

9 Commentary on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa's meeting on 13 December 2016

Rātana's representative on the Komiti, Gaylene Nepia, had attended the meeting that morning. Mr Hodder would contact her to be sure she could come to the Board's next meeting (which would be on the same day as the Komiti's next hui). He noted that the Komiti had

accepted Council's invitation to appoint a representative to the Council's Assets/Infrastructure Committee – this was Tracey Hiroa, Ngati Whitikaupeka.

10 Update on housing development

There was no update as it was normally provided orally by Cr Peke-Mason.

11 Rātana Water Treatment Plant Update

Mr Miller and Mr van Bussel spoke to the report. The reservoir was complete (and tested); the shed was being erected. A fence had yet to be erected – locating the entrance would take some thought given the need to be able to access the site safely.

Commissioning the plant was currently planned for March 2017. Mr van Bussel noted that there would be a little more pressure when the treatment plant was functioning, but no problem with pipes or fittings were anticipated. It would mean that the supply met fire-fighting requirements.

The Chair asked about the date for completion agreed with the Ministry of Health. Mr Miller noted that the Ministry certainly wanted to see progress but had a very understanding approach in terms of the deadline dates.

Resolved minute number **16/RCB/025** **File Ref**

That the report 'Ratana Water Treatment Plant Update' to the Ratana Community Board meeting on 13 December 2016 be received.

Mr C Mete / Ms M Thompson. Carried

12 Rātana Wastewater Consent Renewal

Mr Miller spoke to the report. The current consent expires in March 2018 and an application for a new one needs to be with Horizons at least six months before that. It was likely that land-based discharge would be a significant change from the current consent. As well as meeting the new conditions of consent, the new plant would be planned so as to be able to deal with (or expand to) the demand from the planned 60-lot subdivision

The main reason for coming to the Board now was to start thinking about the composition of an advisory reference group. The tabled document containing the terms of reference for a similar group for Marton provided a useful parallel. One community member had already approached the Chair to express interest; Cr Peke-Mason was keen to be involved.

Resolved minute number **16/RCB/026** **File Ref**

That the report 'Rātana Wastewater Consent Renewal' to the Ratana Community Board meeting on 13 December 2016 be received, and that the Rātana Community Board endorse the forming of a reference group to support this project.

Mr C Mete / Mr T Tataurangi. Carried

13 Ensuring effectiveness of the District's Community Boards – review for the 2016-19 triennium

Mr Hodder spoke to the report, providing clarification on previous Boards opting out of having a Small Projects Fund. Cr Peke-Mason had sought information about the way in which the Taihape Community Board uses its \$5,000 Fund.

The Board needed more time to consider this question. Mr Mete thought having informal workshops could help make the board more accessible to the community, some of whom found the formal meetings too daunting to engage with.

Resolved minute number **16/RCB/027** **File Ref**

That the report 'Ensuring effectiveness of the District's Community Boards – review for the 2016-19 triennium' be received and that it be considered again at a subsequent meeting of the Rātana Community Board.

Mr C Mete / Ms M Thompson. Carried

14 Late item

Proposed new Standing Orders

These closely followed the new standing orders adopted by Council on 3 November. The meeting agreed to consider these at the next meeting of the Board.

15 Future items for the agenda

- Proposed new Standing Orders
- Update on the water treatment upgrade
- Update on the wastewater consent renewal process, including suggested composition of the proposed reference advisory group
- Options by which residents in the Paa can connect with the fibre placed to the Manuao.
 - (The Board noted varying benefit from the new cabinet recently installed by Chorus.)
- Improved access to the Pa's public toilets
 - (Having both shops holding a key would be an improvement.)
- Expansion of dairy farming (Duncan's property) to the west of the Pa.
 - (Neither Horizons nor the District Council had information about what seemed to be a substantial expansion of the dairying enterprise.)

16 Next meeting

Tuesday 14 February 2017, 6.30 pm

17 Whakamoemiti/Meeting closed

Mr C Mete thanked Board members and Council staff, and closed the meeting.

Confirmed/Chair:

Date:
