

Rangitikei District Council

Ratana Community Board Meeting Minutes – Tuesday 11 April 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

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Council's Standing Orders (adopted 3 November 2016) 10.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

Present:	Mr Charlie Mete
	Ms Maata Kare Thompson
	Mr Charlie Rourangi
	Mr Thomas Tataurangi
	Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
In Attendance:	Ms Gaylene Nepia (Rātana community representative on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa)
	Mr Piriwiritua Rurawhe (Rātana Church Secretary)
	Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
	Mr Reuben Pokiha, Roading Advisor
	Several members of the Rātana community

Tabled documents: -

1 Whakamoemiti

Mr Tataurangi provided the opening Karakia.

14 Renaming part of Rātana Road

The meeting agreed with the Chair's wish to take the item first, and invited Mr Rurawhe, Rātana Church Secretary, to speak.

Mr Rurawhe spoke about the interest of the Rātana Church in resolving the question posed by Land Information New Zealand (LINZ), noting how the Church had been involved in naming all the streets in the Paa from when it became a township in 1954. He explained the historical significance and whanau connections of some of these. For example, Ihipera Koria was the mother of Tahupotiki Wiremu Rātana.

Members of the Board would be invited to the next meeting of the Church Executive (on 30 April 2017) to talk further about this.

Members understood why LINZ had raised the question. The option of renumbering houses in the Paa section of Ratana Road from where rural numbering ended was not favoured.

The subdivision would not impact on the numbering of Rātana Road as no sections would have access from it.

2 Public Forum

There were no other speakers.

3 Apologies

The Board accepted Cr Peke-Mason's apology for absence

4 Members' conflict of interest

The Chair reminded members of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on the agenda.

5 Confirmation of order of business

The Chair noted the Order of Business was unchanged other than taking item 14 at the start of the meeting. There were a number of matters he wished to raise under Late items.

6 Confirmation of minutes

The final phrase in item 17 should read 'at both shops'.

Resolved minute number 17/RCB/033 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Rātana Community Board meeting held on 14 March 2017 be taken as read and verified (as amended) as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms C Mete / Mr T Tataurangi. Carried

7 Chair's report

Mr Mete expressed disappointment that access (and access signage) to toilets and the graffiti on the kaumātua flats had not yet been addressed.

He expressed interest in how vehicle speed in the Paa could be reduced and in the development of the playground.

Resolved minute number 17/RCB/034 File Ref

That the Chair's report to the meeting of the Rātana Community Board meeting on 11 April 2017 be received.

Ms C Mete / Mr T Tataurangi. Carried

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Board

There had been no recommendations from the Board considered by Council at its meeting on 23 February or 30 March 2017.

9 Response to queries raised at previous meetings

Toilet signage

The Board sought clarification on who was arranging the signs about the hours for the toilets. Mr Hodder would check with Cr Peke-Mason about that.

Reducing vehicle speed

Mr Pokiha discussed strategies with the Board. He was doubtful whether a 40km/h sign would change anything. Two warning/advisory signs before the entrance into the Paa (one some distance away from the speed him) could be effective. The Board would talk with members of the community to discuss the appropriate wording for 'slow down' signs, potentially with a Maori motif and let Mr Pokiha know.

The Board agreed that the humps should remain.

Increased drainage from resealed roads

Mr Pokiha assured members that three 'lifts' in height from resealing was the usual maximum, but he was happy to make an inspection during daylight. He agreed kerb and channelling would help.

Opening up old access road

Ms Nepia noted that the Mayor, when meeting with the November 2018 Celebrations team last month, had given a commitment to look at the feasibility of work along the old railway line from Rangatahi Road to Baggotts Road (and then to Whangaehu Beach Road). Mr Pokiha would arrange for the roading team to meet with Mr Mete and Ms Nepia.

10 Update from Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa did not meet in the morning of 11 April because of the funeral for the Chair's grandmother.

Ms Nepia indicated her desire for the community to find a new representative for the Komiti: she had agreed on a short-term basis only and was increasingly involved in the preparations for the November 2018 celebrations.

11 Update on housing development

The meeting was informed that the partition order had been approved by the Maori Land Court. Board members hoped that Ricky Taiaroa would be able to come to the Board's next hui.

12 Rātana Water Treatment Plant Update

The Board noted the update.

Resolved minute number 17/RCB/035 File Ref 5-CM-1-C975

That the report 'Rātana Water Treatment Plant Update' to the Rātana Community Board meeting on 14 February 2017' be received.

Ms C Mete / Mr C Rourangi. Carried

13 Rātana Wastewater Consent Renewal

There was no further update since last month's meeting.

15 Late Items

a. Taitokerau Street

A footpath was needed on both sides of the street. Mr Pokiha would revisit that.

b. Intersection of Taitokerau Street and Ihipera-Koria Street

A 'give way' sign was requested. Mr Pokiha would look into it.

c. Selection of a new Rātana community representative for Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

Mr Mete envisaged this would be done before the Board's next meeting (which would confirm the nominee) and that this person would accompany Ms Nepia to the next meeting of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa.

d. Rubbish bin outside Medical Centre

The bin had disappeared, but the holding device was in place. Mr Hodder would check about getting a permanent replacement.

e. Damage to first speed hump at entrance to the Paa

Mr Pokiha would check and arrange repairs

f. Open drain alongside Ratana Road (from first speed hump to Fire Station)

The Board noted the drain needed clearing. Mr Pokiha would arrange that.

16 Future items for the agenda

None

17 Next meeting

Tuesday 13 June, 6.30pm

18 Upcoming meetings for 2017

8 August

10 October

12 December

19 Whakamoemiti/Meeting closed

Mr Tataurangi provided the closing Karakia.

8.00 pm

Confirmed/Chair:

Date: