



Rangitikei District Council

Ratana Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 11 February 2020 – 6:30 p.m.

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The quorum for the Rātana Community Board is 3.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 31 October 2019) 11.2 provide: The quorum for Community Boards, 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 (Chair)
- Mr James Nepia
- Mr Lequan Meihana
- Mr Charlie Rourangi
- Cr Brian Carter

In attendance:

- His Worship the Mayor Andy Watson
- Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
- Ms Grace Tairaoa
- Ms Gillian Gray
- Ms Doreen Gardiner
- Mr Harry Koro

1 Whakamoemiti

Mr Nepia gave the whakamoemiti

2 Public Forum

None

3 Apologies

Cr Waru Panapa and Soraya Peke-Mason

4 Members' Conflict of Interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business and Late Items

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, the relocation of the 50 km/h sign be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

Resolved minute number 20/RCB/028

That the 50 km/h sign on Ratana Road be moved to just north of the entrance to the urupa

Mr Mete / Mr Rourangi. Carried

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 20/RCB/029

That the minutes of the Rātana Community Board meeting held on 17 December 2019 (without amendment) be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Carter / Mr Meihana. Carried

7 Chair's report

Mr Mete noted the shortage of volunteers for the fire brigade. A pānui had been scheduled for 16 February about this. He noted the need to ensure both shops had a key to the toilets.

Resolved minute number 20/RCB/030

That the verbal 'Chair's report' to the 11 February 2020 meeting of the Rātana Community Board be received.

Cr Carter / Mr Meihana. Carried

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Board

There were no recommendations made to Council at the previous meeting.

9 Council responses to queries raised at previous meeting

There were no queries made to Council at the last meeting.

10 Update from Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

Mr Meihana commented on several issues discussed at the meeting. The Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohunga has been approved. The Komiti had asked for consideration by Council of ways to reduce the cost of rubbish collection to kaumātua. This was potentially a matter to be raised in the development of the 2021-31 Long Term Plan. The Youth Council was to have its first meeting on 22 March 2020. The Tuia programme would continue this year.

Resolved minute number **20/RCB/031**

That the verbal 'update on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa' Komiti meeting on 11 February 2020 be received.

11 Other matters raised at previous meeting

At its previous meeting, the Board discussed the community housing provided by Council, considering that they needed painting and questioning whether they complied with current standards. This was a separate agenda item.

12 Community Housing Report

A report was to be tabled at the meeting but was not available. It would be provided separately.

13 Community Grants

The Board noted the commentary in the agenda,

14 Mayoral Update

His Worship the Mayor noted that the proposed China trip had been cancelled and that there were ongoing discussions about establishing a bioforestry plant in the District.

Resolved minute number **20/RCB/032**

That the 'Mayoral Update' to the 11 February 2020 meeting of the Rātana Community Board be received.

Cr Carter / Mr Mete. Carried

15 Youth Update

The Board noted the commentary in the agenda.

16 Update on water supply upgrade

The Board noted the commentary in the agenda. More flushing was needed.

17 Update on wastewater treatment plant (and meeting of reference advisory group)

The Board noted the commentary in the agenda on the discussions with the Ministry for the Environment on alternatives to outright purchase of land which the approved funding required.

18 Update on Rātana playground project

This was still in the conceptual phase. A water fountain would be an asset.

19 Update on the proposed MoU between Council and the Rātana Communal Board of Trustees

A meeting would be scheduled.¹

20 Town Signage

The Board noted that the new town sign was installed on Tuesday 28 January 2020, replacing the previous sign.

21 Cemetery register alignment

The Board expressed concern about the standard of maintenance and wondered whether Council's contract with the Ratana Communal Board

22 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

Resolved minute number. 20/RCB/033

That the extract 'Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ratana ward' dated September – November 2019 to the 11 February 2020 Rātana Community Board be received.

Mr Mete / Mr Rourangi. Carried

¹ The meeting took place on Saturday 21 March 2020.

23 Chair Training

The Board noted the commentary in the agenda. Mr Mete and Mr Nepia would both attend the Chair training on 19 February 2020.

24 Late Items

None

25 Future Items for the Agenda

Engagement structure for discussion between the Ratana Community Board and the Ratana Communal Board of Trustees.

26 Next meeting

Tuesday 14 April 2020, 6.30pm²

27 Future Meeting dates for 2020³

Tuesday 14 April at 6.30 pm

Tuesday 9 June at 6.30 pm

Tuesday 11 August at 6.30 pm

Tuesday 13 October at 6.30 pm

Tuesday 8 December at 6.30 pm

28 Whakamoemiti/Meeting Closed

Mr Nepia provided the Whakamoemiti.

8.00 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

² This meeting was not held because of the Covid-19 response alerts.

³ This schedule was amended because of the Covid-19 response alerts.