



Rangitikei District Council

Taihape Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 8 February 2017 – 5:30 p.m.

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Present: Mrs Michelle Fannin (Chair)
Ms Gail Larsen
Mrs Ann Abernethy
Mrs Yvonne Sicely
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Ruth Rainey

Also present: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Richard Aslett (arrived 6pm)

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration

Tabled documents: Item 7 Chair's Report
Item 1 Memorandum -Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and
other Council activities within the Ward
Item 17 Issues submission –Road Safety Issues

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. She asked for a minute's silence for Mr Bill Byford.

2 Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

3 Apologies

There were no apologies.

4 Members' conflict of interest

The Chair declared her conflict of interest in regards to item 10 of the agenda

5 Confirmation of order of business

A late item submission from Mrs Abernethy was tabled. This to be taken under item 17 of the agenda (Speed Limit Bylaw Response)

6 Minutes of previous meeting

Resolved minute number	17/TCB/001	File Ref
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That the minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting held on 14 December 2016, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mrs Fannin/Mrs Abernethy. Carried

7 Chair's report

The Chair spoke to her report.

She thanked Cr Aslett for repainting the southern Taihape sign. Other items noted included the Community Christmas dinner, Christmas light competition and electronic notice boards.

There was a brief discussion on the Taihape pool filtration upgrade. The Board asked that an update be provided to their next meeting.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/002** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the 8 February 2017 meeting of the Taihape Community Board, as presented be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Rainey. Carried

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Taihape Community Board and consideration of other matters affecting Taihape

At its meeting on 15 December 2016, Council approved the Board's recommendation (16/TCB/065) for a further carry-forward, to 31 March 2017, of the unspent balance of the 2015/16 place-making allowance, on the understanding that the Board will have developed and implemented place-making initiatives by that time.

9 New Standing Orders

There were no amendments made to the new Standing Orders.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/074** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board replace its Standing Orders by adopting those proposed by Local Government New Zealand without amendment.

Mrs Abernethy/Mrs Sicely. Carried

10 Preferred delegations and level of support

The Board were keen to have more input into the Taihape main street cleaning process. Mr Hodder to determine what the current contract is and report back to the Board.

There was some discussion on the future of the Taihape Community Development Trust. The Board thought that the Trust may not be operating within its constitution. It was suggested that the Board write to the Chief Executive and Mayor voicing their concerns.

The Chair wished to declare a conflict of interest regarding this matter.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/003** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board write to the Mayor and Chief Executive expressing their concerns around the effectiveness of the Taihape Community Development Trust and whether it is operating within its constitution.

Cr Rainey/Ms Larsen. Carried

11 Requests for Service concerning Taihape

The Chair reported that AA Traveller had undertaken a survey of New Zealand's public toilets and Taihape's were rated as being in the top 12.

The Board were all in favour of awarding the local cleaner the "Taihape Good Sorts" award.

Following the recent retirement of Taihape's Animal Control Officer, the Board suggested that a Taihape based Honorary Officer be appointed to provide backup in the event that Councils Animal Control Officers are unavailable.

Mr Hodder to look into this matter and report back to the Board's next meeting.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/004** **File Ref**

That the report 'Requests for Service concerning Taihape' for December 2016 be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Rainey. Carried

12 Update on the Small Projects Fund

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/005** **File Ref**

That the memorandum "Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – February 2017" be received.

Mrs Fannin/Ms Larsen. Carried

13 Update on place-making initiatives

The Chair suggested that a public meeting be held in order to drive the place-making initiatives. Mrs Abernethy suggested that a letter box drop would be a better option as there were some big issues coming up such as the site for the new ablution block and Grandstand decision which would require public consultation.

There was some discussion on the tile project. As there were now new families in town, the Chair was keen to see the tiles in the Taihape Triangle being extended.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/006** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board endorse the tile project and delegate the Chairperson to find a committee to complete it using funds of up to \$5,000.00.

Crs Rainey/Gordon. Carried

14 Alex Wong's Corner Area

Mrs Abernethy spoke to her submission. The Board were all in favour of purchasing two BBQ tables which would be placed on the corner area by Alex Wong's.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/007** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board purchase two 2m BBQ tables from Wanganui Enterprises at a cost of \$441.00 each and they be placed on the corner area by Alex Wong's.

Mrs Abernethy/Ms Larsen. Carried

15 Update on youth services – January 2017

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/008** **File Ref**

That the memorandum "Update on youth services – January 2017" be received

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

16 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/009** **File Ref**

That the memorandum "Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the Ward" be received.

Cr Rainey/Mrs Fannin. Carried

17 Speed Limit Bylaw response

Mrs Abernethy spoke to her tabled submission regarding road safety issues on O'Taihape Road and Dixon Way. She said that feedback from local residents suggested that the safety of users was being compromised by the current 100 km/h speed limit and they were concerned that there was no signage alerting motorists to other road users i.e. walkers, runners, cyclists etc.

The Board were all in favour of Council looking into this issue.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/010** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board ask that Council give consideration to a speed limit of 70km/h. being imposed on S.H.1 from the end of the existing 50 km/h limit to the intersection with Rauma Road and a speed limit of 50 km/h to be imposed on Dixon Way and O'Taihape Valley Road from S.H.1 to the Taihape Airstrip and that signage alerting motorists to the high pedestrian usage of these roads be erected on both S.H.1 and O'Taihape Valley Road.

Mrs Abernethy/Cr Rainey. Carried

18 Consultation on options for the grandstand and location of new amenity block on Taihape Memorial Park

The Board noted the briefing note in the agenda.

19 Community Boards' Conference, May 2017

The Chair was keen to attend the Community Boards' Conference which was being held this year in Methven.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/011** **File Ref**

That the Taihape Community Board give financial support to the Chair to attend the Community Boards' Conference and for another member if they choose to attend, within budget.

Crs Rainey/Gordon. Carried

20 2017/18 Annual Plan

The Board to discuss and prepare any submissions at their workshop on 8 March 2017.

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/012** **File Ref**

That any submissions for the draft 2017/18 Annual Plan prepared at the Board's workshop be conveyed to Council and then ratified at the Board's next meeting.

Cr Rainey/Mrs Fannin. Carried

21 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update

Resolved minute number **17/TCB/013** **File Ref**

That the report "Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda – progress update" be received.

Mrs Fannin/Cr Gordon. Carried

22 Late items

23 Future items for the agenda

24 Date of next meeting

The next meeting to be held 12 April 2017

25 Meeting closed

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.