

Rangitikei District Council

Turakina Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 6 April 2017 – 7:30 pm



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Present: Ms Laurel Mauchline Campbell (Chair)
Mr Duran Benton
Mr Alastair Campbell
Ms Tina Duxfield
Ms Carol Neilson
Ms Anita Oliver
Mayor Andy Watson
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

In attendance: Ms Katrina Gray (Senior Policy Analyst/Planner)

1 Welcome

Ms Mauchline Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Public Forum

Nil

3 Apologies

Apologies from Ms Grant were forwarded but not received by the administrator prior to the meeting.

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. No conflicts of interest were declared.

5 Confirmation of order of business

Due to the timing of ANZAC day, discussion about the Committee's involvement in ANZAC Day celebrations cannot be dealt with at the Committee's June 2017 meeting.

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

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 ANZAC Day celebrations be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

Ms Mauchline Campbell/ Mr Benton. Carried

6 Minutes of last meeting

Resolved minute number **17/TCC/008** **File Ref** **3-CC-1-4**

That the Minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting held on 2 February 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms Neilson/Mr Campbell. Carried

7 Chair's Report

Ms Mauchline Campbell noted relief that the District made it through the recent flooding event relatively unscathed.

Cr Peke Mason noted that the event could have been much worse and that Council had made contact in key areas – Koitiata and Whangaehu. The event highlighted that while Koitiata has an emergency evacuation plan, Whangaehu needs to develop one.

Mayor Watson gave an overview of the events of the flooding. Worst case scenario and there would have been significant damage. Declaring a State of Emergency allowed Council to move people and received assistance from the air force.

Discussion was held about a welfare centre in Turakina. The town could potentially be split into three sections by the flood waters.

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

That the Chair's report to the 6 April 2017 Turakina Community Committee meeting be received.

Ms Mauchline Campbell/ Mr Campbell. Carried.

8 Update from the Combined meeting / workshop with Council and Community Committees

None of the Committee members were present at the combined meeting/workshop.

9 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations from the Committee to Council.

10 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

The recommendation regarding placemaking funding for the tables was discussed Item 11.

11 Update on place-making initiatives

The Committee is now ready to organise the materials for the edging and base, and setting a date for the working bee. Ms Mauchline Campbell reported that Mr Sanson will work with the Committee to determine the locations with regard to the plants he has planned. Ms Mauchline Campbell will contact Mr Sanson to set a date for the working bee. Cr Peke-Mason noted the need to incorporate the relocation of the rubbish bin into the plan.

Discussion was held about the historic information sign which used to be displayed in the village. Ms Mauchline Campbell will investigate whether it is available to be reinstated.

12 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - January 2017

Ms Oliver will ensure the deposit slip for the donation to the school newsletter will be provided to Ms Gray to finalise the payment.

The Committee previously approved funding for the playcentre relocation. Ms Gray will find the recommendation in the previous minutes. Ms Duxfield will ensure the invoice is provided to Council before the end of the financial year.

Resolved minute number **17/TCC/011** **File Ref** **3-CC-1-4**

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – April 2017' be received

Ms Duxfield/ Ms Oliver. Carried

13 Update on the Community Newsletter

This item was discussed in item 12 above. The newsletter is distributed twice per term, with the next issue released in May. This issue can have an article about the picnic tables. Mayor Watson noted that good news articles could be provided to Council for the Rangitikei Line newsletter.

14 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

Mayor Watson reported the following activities the Committee might be interested in:

- The last major roading project from the June 2015 storm event (Majuba Bluff on Turakina Valley Road) being completed.
- Stop-bank down Turakina Beach Road is now complete.
- Discussions are occurring regarding the flooding issues surrounding the entrance to Koitiata.
- Engaging in discussions with the Singapore Ambassador regarding the potential for Singapore Air Force to have a base at Ohakea.
- Thank you to Mr Benton for cleaning the cemetery sign.
- Ratana celebration - next year looking at 40-50 thousand people for the centenary. Enormous effort required for traffic management. Will be a process for working with local communities.
- Deliberations on Council's draft Annual Plan occurring in April.

15 Late Items

ANZAC Day Service in Turakina

Turakina ANZAC Commemorations have previously been organised by Bob Major and Pike Tereni (military). Bob is no longer able to complete his side. Have been unable to find someone to take over, therefore, there has been a request for the Community Committee to help.

The Committee discussed the requirements and logistics of assisting. The group agreed that they would support the event this year to ensure it is held, but would look to other community members for the following year.

16 Next Meeting

Thursday 1 June 2017, 7:30pm

17 Upcoming meetings for 2017

- 3 August
- 5 October
- 7 December

18 Meeting closed

8.28pm

Confirmed/Chair:

Date:
