

## Rangitīkei District Council

## Turakina Community Committee Meeting Minutes – Thursday 3 October 2019 – 7:30 p.m.

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**Present:** Ms Laurel Mauchline Campbell (Chair)

Mr Alastair Campbell Ms Carol Neilson Mr James Bryant Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

Ms Tina Duxfield

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

**In attendance:** Nardia Gower

**Tabled Documents:** Proposed Sign for Turakina Cemetery

Gambling Venue Policy Review

Treaty of Waitangi Commemoration 2020

Annual residents Survey, Improvement Suggestions

#### 1 Welcome

The meeting started at 7.31pm. The Chair welcomed everyone to the last meeting of the triennium.

#### 2 Public Forum

Nil

## 3 Apologies

That the apology of Mr Duran Benton be received.

Mr A Campbell / Ms C Neilson. Carried

#### 4 Members' conflict t of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda, of which there was none.

#### 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,

- Gambling Venue Policy Review
- Treaty of Waitangi Commemoration 2020
- Annual residents Survey, Improvement Suggestions

be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

Ms L Mauchline Campbell / Ms T Duxfield. Carried

There was no change to the order of the business.

#### 6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 19/TCC/020 File Ref 3-CC-1-4

That the Minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting held on 1 August 2019 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr J Bryant / Mr A Campbell. Carried

## 7 Chair's Report

The Chair gave a verbal update with the following highlights:

- As the last meeting, reflection was given on the previous three years which had ups and downs. Noted was the sadness at losing both Katrina Gray and Athol Sanson, their support of the community was missed.
- On a high note, the placemaking picnic tables were touted as being the best in the district and used by variety of people.
- The Chair made special thanks to Athol for agreeing to plant the lemon trees despite doubt they would grow.
- Dismay was shared at the level of inaction by Council on addressing some matters raised by the Committee.
- The community will need a strong Community Committee going forward in the next three years so that Turakina does not get lost and ensuring that their side of the southern ward is heard.
- The Chair encouraged current members to either find a replacement for them
  at the committee table if they were stepping down or if they were standing
  again to bring a friend.
- Finally the Chair thanked Cr Soraya Peke-Mason for all the years of support, acknowledging her last meeting as a District Council Elected Member.
- Thanks was also given to and Mayor Andy Watson for his continued support of the committee and community.

#### Resolved minute number 19/TCC/021 File Ref

That the verbal 'Chair's report' to the 3 October 2019 Turakina Community Committee meeting be received.

Ms L Mauchline Campbell / Cr S Peke-Mason. Carried

#### Undertaking Subject

Ms Gower to investigate and report back to the Turakina Community Committee via email, where the Community Committee nomination papers will be able to be collected. Suggestions included at the Mobil Service Station.

### 8 Council Decisions on Recommendations from the Committee

Sign and padlock at entrance to Turakina cemetery so that only pedestrian access is possible

A padlock has been purchased by Council and will be put at the entrance within the week. Ms Gower tabled a proposed sign for the cemetery that notes 'Authorised Vehicle Access Only' which the Committee endorsed.

Ms Gower apologised for staff not following up on the undertaking from the last meeting regarding the cemetery grazing leasee being granted the use of tinsel wire fencing instead of wire netting. This is being followed up and should the leasee refuse to install the wire fence and sign the updated lease agreement he will be ordered to remove his stock and cease grazing. The Committee stated that the leasee is to have this completed within two weeks, due date being 17 October.

The Chair granted His Worship the Mayor an opportunity during this item to update the Committee on other matters, as follows:

- The newly appointed Council Chief Executive, Peter Beggs, is officially starting on the 22 October. The selection process was robust and the recruitment panel believe him to be an outstanding candidate. Peter recently spent several days visiting the District including the smaller sized communities.
- Bonny Glenn Trust had its first round of dispensing funds to applicants. The grants can
  be awarded to individuals for educational purposes or to groups. The beneficiaries of
  the grants must reside within the trust's identified area.

#### Undertaking Subject

Council staff to order sign for Cemetery that states 'Authorised Vehicle Access Only'. To be installed when weather and ground conditions permit.

## 9 Council Response to Queries Raised at Previous Meetings

Reopening Turakina Cemetery - update

The Committee acknowledged that Council is awaiting Iwi advice before any further action is taken.

## 10 Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – September 2019

The Chair received letters of thanks from the school children for the repaired slide.

Ms Gower informed the Committee that the school has forwarded the invoice for the slide repairs to Council and has been informed that the school needs to produce a school invoice for the exact amount granted by the committee.

#### Resolved minute number 19/TCC/ 022 File Ref 3-CC-1-4

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – September 2019' to the 3 October 2019 Turakina Community Committee meeting be received.

Ms T Duxfield / Ms C Neilson. Carried

## 11 Update on place-making initiatives

The Committee noted the intention to have the bus shelter painted before the beginning of summer.

## 12 Turakina Township Property Numbering

The Committee discussed the following points:

- The Committee is aware that this is a contentious issue; however, as the Community Committee, the responsibility is theirs to make the best decision for the community with the information provided.
- The RAPID numbers can differentiate with driveways close together.
- Google maps updates over time.
- RAPID numbers are the most logical option for safety purposes especially when dealing
  with emergency services. The numbers can be programmed into helicopter systems
  that can't see road numbers, helping them faster locate properties in emergency
  situations.
- From a legal perspective RAPID numbers are required.

### Resolved minute number 19/TCC/023 File Ref 5-IM-1-6

That the report 'Turakina Township Property Numbering' to the 3 October 2019 Turakina Community Committee be received.

Ms L Mauchline Campbell / Mr A Campbell. Carried

#### Resolved minute number 19/TCC/024 File Ref 5-IM-1-6

The Turakina Community Committee recommends to Council that they allocate and issue rural distance-based numbers to Turakina township properties adjacent to State Highway 3 in line with Clause 5.9.1 of the Rural and Urban addressing standards (Standards New Zealand / Australia, 2011), and that the Council cover the cost for affected properties that have a residential or business dwelling.

Cr S Peke-Mason / Ms L Mauchline Campbell. Carried

# 13 Policy & Community Planning Project and Activity Report - September 2019

Resolved minute number 19/TCC/025 File Ref 1-CO-4-8

That the report 'Policy & Community Planning Project and Activity Report - September 2019' to the Turakina Community Committee on 3 October 2019 be received.

Ms C Neilson / Ms T Duxfield. Carried

## 14 Current Infrastructure Projects/Updates and Other Council Activities within the Ward

Resolved minute number 19/TCC/026 File Ref 3-CC-1-4

That the report 'Extract from activity report to Assets and Infrastructure, July – August 2019' to the 3 October 2019 Turakina Community Committee meeting be received.

Ms C Neilson / Mr J Bryant. Carried

# 15 Arrangements for establishing new Community Committees and Reserve Management Committees

The committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

#### 16 Late Items

#### **Gambling Venue Policy Review**

The Committee commented that people are going to gamble one way or another, physical gambling, in the district, such as that identified in the report is controlled and regulated, as well as benefiting the community through grants.

Resolved minute number 19/TCC/027 File Ref 3-PY-1-5

That the report 'Gambling Venue (Class 4) Policy review' report to the Turakina Community Committee on 3 October 2019 be received.

Ms L Mauchline Campbell / Ms C Neilson. Carried

#### **Treaty of Waitangi Commemoration 2020**

The Committee acknowledged the tabled letter from the Prime Minister.

#### <u>Annual Residents Survey, Improvement Suggestions</u>

The Committee made the following improvement suggestions under the respective headings

#### **Public Toilet**

No improvements could be suggested, other than building a standalone public toilet facility. It was noted that the toilets in the Mobil Service Station are cleaned every night, and that "they are what they are".

#### **Administration Buildings**

Get on with building the new Marton Civic Centre before the price increases.

The Mayor noted that Council will be going out shortly for public consultation.

#### Libraries

The service was noted as being good and the photocopying cheap. Committee members were unaware of the audio book and e book services.

#### Wastewater

This does not apply to Turakina.

#### **Customer service**

Council can improve their customer service with faster responses to requests for service (RFS) and to provide feedback to RFS.

#### **Elected members**

While the Committee was happy with engagement they have had with their current Elected Members, the following suggestions were made for the upcoming Council Members:

Council could explore opportunities to ensure all ward councillors are engaging with the all their ward communities, whether that is through talking tables, attendance at all community committees/boards and residents associations.

#### **Communication and Publications**

The following improvements were suggested:

- That notices for Community meetings and Consultation meetings are advertised in the newspaper with adequate timing.
- Ensure that the Community Committees/Boards are informed, with adequate timing, of public meetings such as annual plan consultations, so that Committee members can encourage people to attend.
- More lead in time to meetings and events and consultations.

## 17 Next Meeting

This is the final meeting of the triennium.

## 18 Meeting Closed

Cr Soraya Peke-Mason spoke noting is was her last meeting as a Council representative on the committee, further comments are highlighted below:

- Stated was the honour and privilege to be the ward representative at Council for 12 years, 4 terms, during which time there were highs and lows. Acknowledgment was given to the late Steve Fouhy, and the work and passion he had for the role. Also acknowledged was the first Chair Pike Terewi.
- The work and progress of the Committee this term in particular has been a
  great achievement. This includes the picnic tables and the contribution to the
  school and other entities. Strong chairperson skills as lead the committee to
  achieve plenty, congratulations was given to all.
- A big thank you was expressed to His Worship the Mayor for all the Committee meeting attendance, support and passion including the support personally shown the Councillor.
- Cr Lynne Sheridan was noted as being a fellow long serving elected member that has also attended and contributed to the Turakina Community Committee.
- Cr Peke-Mason concluded stating that it has been a great journey, thanking to the Committee members present and not present.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Cr Peke-Mason noting the diversity of her in responsibilities with different community groups and stating that the councillor has represented all communities well.

The Chair thanked everyone for hard work and attendance.

The meeting closed at 8.39 pm.

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