
MINUTES
of the
MOTUEKA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
held
4.00 pm, Tuesday, 20 March 2018
at
Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka

- Present:** Chief Executive Officer (L McKenzie), B Maru (Chairperson), Board Members R Horrell, C H Hutt and B Dowler
Councillors P L Canton, P H Hawkes and D J Ogilvie
- In Attendance:** Engineering Services Manager (R Kirby), Regulatory Manager (A Humphries), Board Secretary (H J Spiers), Acting Team Leader (V Simpson), Youth Council Representative (M Takahashi)
- Part Attendance:** Mayor (R.G Kempthorne)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

Chair Maru welcomed everybody to the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Mr Ian Williamson asked if a recycling bin could be installed in the main town centre business area. Mr Kirby, suggested he contact David Stephenson in the Engineering Services Department.

Mr Williamson asked if a post box could be provided near New World Supermarket. Cr Ogilvie suggested Mr Williamson pop into NZ post in Greenwood Street.

He asked if a bypass for heavy trucks was to be provided, would this be an New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) project or a Tasman District Council project. Mr Kirby explained that the NZTA's business case found the bypass would not be feasible and they wouldn't be taking it any further at this stage.

Mr Williamson showed a newspaper article to the Board regarding the freedom camping issue in Queenstown and pop up toilets. Cr Canton explained that if this was a commercial entity, the Council would be unable to support it.

Mr Jim Butler referred to page 52 of the Community Board's agenda and strongly disagreed with this petition, as the outcome would be less democratic.

Liz Thomas spoke to her petition and wanted to clarify some misapprehensions people may have. She said voters should be given the opportunity to decide which voting method is used. The petition only asks the Council to hold a poll, which gives voters the opportunity to use the Single Transferrable Vote (STV) or First Past the Post (FPP).

Mr Ray Hellyer spoke of his concern about the weeds and overgrowth on the Edwards Road/Moutere Highway intersection. This has been an ongoing issue for some time now. Heather Spiers to follow-up with a Service Request.

Mr David Armstrong asked what was happening with the Library refurbishment and extension.

Mr Jim Squibbs asked who gives permission to gate off the Talley's boat ramp. It was never padlocked in the past. Board Member Horrell said that paying members of the Boat Club were allowed access.

Mr Squibbs strongly objected to the Motueka Community Board's decision to grant \$500 from the Discretionary Fund, to the coffee business by the Recreation Centre.

He also asked when the widening of the road and new footpath would happen in Hickmott Place.

John Kelly spoke of the devastation around the Motueka Valley Highway that still hasn't been cleared up after ex-cyclone Gita. He said that it was great to see the Motueka Valley Highway bridge had been cleared but noted 60 freedom campers in the area.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Board Member Horrell stated his interest in the Neighbourhood Support Discretionary Fund application.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Canton/Board Member Hutt
MCB18-03-01

That the minutes of the Motueka Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 20 February 2018, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

6 PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Grey Power Motueka Presentation

Monty Tawhai and John Kelly, President and Vice President of Grey Power Motueka spoke to the Board about the history and benefits of Grey Power and their committee.

Grey Power queried the rise in rent for Pensioner Cottages and questioned the level of overhead charged against Tasman District Council Housing.

They also asked about the Library upgrade and how this was progressing.

Chair Maru thanked Grey Power for their support for the library extension and refurbishment. The architects appointed to this project were Jerram Barron Tocker

Chair Maru also said that NZTA have preliminary ideas on the High Street/Old Wharf Road/King Edward Street intersection. Unfortunately the Tasman District Council cannot release details on this until NZTA have confirmed their business case. They plan on starting the project in September or October 2018.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Discretionary Fund Application Motueka Districts neighbourhood Support Society (Inc)

Hilary Carson-Campbell spoke to her report about the Neighbourhood Support Society. She also thanked Board Member Hutt for her wonderful efforts in the community with the help and clean-up of ex cyclone Gita.

**Moved Board Member Hutt/Board Member Dowler
MCB18-03-02**

That the Motueka Community Board

- 1. receives the Discretionary Fund Application Motueka Districts neighbourhood Support Society (Inc) RMCB18-03-02 report; and**
- 2. grants the Motueka District Neighbourhood Support Society \$500.**

CARRIED

7.2 Discretionary Fund Application - Women's Support Link

Donna Costello spoke to her report and elaborated that this should also include the safety of the support staff.

**Moved Chairperson Maru/Deputy Chair Horrell
MCB18-03-03**

- 1. That the Motueka Community Board receives the Discretionary Fund Application - Women's Support Link RMCB18-03-04 report; and**
- 2. grants the Motueka Women's Support Link \$500.**

CARRIED

7.3 Chairman's Report

Ex-Cyclone Gita

Mr Adrian Humphries, Regulatory Services Manager updated the Board on the recovery process. He said it would be a long recovery and for some people it may take several years. He said there has been a large misunderstanding of what the Council can and will do. Their first priority is to ensure people are safe. A taskforce team of six people will start next week to help those in need.

Staples Street – Street Light

This report was taken as read.

Stormwater

This report was taken as read.

Freedom Camping

Mr Humphries said he'd received complaints, especially about freedom camping in Deck's Reserve. The Council recognises that these issues have been compounded by McKee Reserve being closed, Kina Beach Camp having less space and the access to Golden Bay being severely limited as a result of the storm events. He added that the designated areas haven't been sign posted and marked yet.

Board Member Hutt said the new seating and shade sail the Council paid for in Deck's Reserve is not being used, as people feel unsafe and intimidated by freedom campers.

Cr Hawkes suggested temporary toilets in Deck's Reserve. The facilities are very limited and people are washing clothes in the basin. Mr Humphries said there are supposed to be 18 parking spaces available for freedom camping sites and feels this is normally a manageable number for the facilities available.

Cr Canton said that there is an anomaly with the enforcement process times and questioned when the two-day enforcement would start.

Chair Maru tabled emails presented by Board Member Hutt from Edee Harris. These will be added to correspondence for the April Board meeting and were referred to Mr Humphries.

Motueka Community Board Special Projects

This report was taken as read. Chair Maru suggested the Board consider Hickmott Place widening as a potential project for the 2018/2019 financial year.

The Board's Long Term Plan Submission

This was discussed at the end of the meeting.

Board Secretary Resignation

This report was taken as read and Chair Maru introduced Verity Simpson as the Acting Board Secretary once Heather officially finishes.

Items from the Public Forum

Board member Hutt noted how the organisation of the Kai Fest has been challenging due to certain aspects of the Sunday Market and access to the lawn area from the carpark.

Mr David Armstrong, Secretary of the Kai Fest agreed but said this issue has mostly resolved. The Kai Fest organisers are aware they need to be on site before the Sunday Market stallholders arrive to set up.

**Moved Chairperson Maru/Cr Hawkes
MCB18-03-04**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Chairman's Report RMCB2018-03-05.

CARRIED

7.4 Financial Report

**Moved Cr Hawkes/Deputy Chair Horrell
MCB18-03-05**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Financial Report RMCB18-03-06.

CARRIED

7.5 Action List

**Moved Cr Hawkes/Deputy Chair Horrell
MCB18-03-06**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Action List RMCB18-03-07 report;

CARRIED

7.6 Special Projects Fund Action List

**Moved Chairperson Maru/Board Member Hutt
MCB18-03-07**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Special Projects Fund Action List RMCB18-03-08 report.

CARRIED

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Correspondence

**Moved Cr Canton/Board Member Dowler
MCB18-03-08**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Correspondence report RMCB18-03-09.

CARRIED

9 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

The meeting adjourned at 6.05pm

The meeting reconvened at 6.07pm for the Motueka Community Board to adopt their draft Long Term Plan submission. Chair Maru will circulate the final copy of the submission to Board Members.

The meeting concluded at 6.46pm

Date Confirmed:

Chair:

Confirmed