

Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association Committee Meeting
Wednesday 8th March 2023, 5.30.00pm

Minutes

Present: Peter Britnell, Kevin O'Hara, Ngaire Grainger, Amanda Collier, Peter Naysmith, Raewyn Beattie, Liz Shaw and Jared Crowley.
President Peter Britnell opened the meeting and welcomed everyone including Marama Isherwood (TDC)

Apologies: Ian Young and Paulane McLean

Moved: Apologies be accepted: Moved: Kevin OHara Seconded: Ngaire Grainger - Carried

Minutes of the committee meeting held 3rd Feb 2023

Moved: That these minutes be a true and correct record. Moved: Ngaire Grainger Seconded: Jared Crowley - Carried

Matters Arising:

No reports received from TDC
Rates query answered-
\$3.8 million in rates collected from Omori Kuratau
\$12.9 million in rates collected from Turangi

Correspondence:

Inwards/Outwards
Mail chimp proposal to be dealt with under Finance
Numerous emails discussed and dealt with during the course of the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association Inc.
Treasurer's report as at Mar 8th 2023
ANZ balance current account \$56,966.31
Koha for R Shaw for web page maintenance and newsletter production
Monthly payment for Mail Chimp account.
Treasurer to check out the best way to pay Mail Chimp fees - ie Debit Card or automatic payment.
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Business Agenda Items

1. Erosion update and discussion

An update report was received from Angela Salmon and tabled. Main points included.....
Committee suggest Mike Bowie co-opted onto the Erosion subcommittee so they can tap into his extensive prior experiences and knowledge re the on-going erosion battle. Peter will discuss this with Angela.

OKRA feels it is important to acquire a copy of the Resource Consent document relating to Mercury Energy, from Waikato regional Council. Jared Crowley will pursue this on behalf of OKRA.
MP Louise Upton has indicated that TTB had developed an "Erosion Plan" and offered to find out what became of it.

2) Omori Road Slip

Report -Colin Giles: Will have a report finalised by mid-march, then will begin process to confirm a contractor.
Could be a long term project before Road returned to 2 lanes

3) Omori Kuratau back up road access

Ian Connon (Civil Defence) has made contact with land owners, particularly near Te Puke Road, re access to our community in the event of road closure.

4) Connection – Hall to new water treatment plant generator

Discussions have taken place between both Ian Connon (CD) and Elijah May (Project Manager) with OKRA Chair Peter Britnell. The new plant will have its own generator. They will consider sharing the generator with the Hall via a cable. Who would bear the cost for such a cable is still up in the air. Discussions are on-going.

5) Te Puke Road speed changes

Bryson Huxley (Senior Engineering Officer – Transport Strategy) has not replied to OKRA requests for information. Peter Britnell will take up the Speed limit issue with Andrew Moraes (General Manager TDC) when they next meet for a general catch up. The delay in addressing this issue seems at odds with the national Waka Kotahi policy of reducing speeds on country roads.

6) Recreation and Sport Strategy Consultation Document

Ngairi Grainger has offered to draft up the OKRA submission into the consultation process. The deadline for TDC to receive submissions is March 22nd. There was general discussion about where our priorities might lie.

Committee members are encouraged to let Ngairi know of any areas or projects or works that could be included in the OKRA submission.

Jared Crowley has offered to peer review our submission before Ngairi sends it in.

7) Funding for the defibrillator

The Hall defibrillator (Owned by the Hall Trust) has required some maintenance recently – Replacement Pad and battery. (Cost \$504.85)

It was discussed as to whether OKRA should fund the purchase of two additional Defibrillators at locations still to be decided. No decision reached but Liz Shaw offered to investigate possible costs.

Motion

Moved: Kevin OHara **Seconded:** Peter Naysmith, That OKRA pay the cost of Defibrillator current and future repairs and reimburse the Hall Trust for \$504.85 - **Carried.**

General Business

1) OKRA has requested that the Mayor, David Trewavas, meet with OKRA twice per year to discuss current issues and this idea has been accepted. The first of these meetings will take place at the Hall at 10.30am Thursday 16th March. Committee members, if available, are encouraged to attend.

2) The Tongariro Representative Group meeting is coming up. Ngairi Grainger will share with this Group relevant OKRA issues that have emerged from our Committee meetings and bring back to the OKRA committee any feedback from the TRG.

3) Jared- Rabbit update. Jared will approach a new potential project manager. He is an experienced consultant (Jason Day – Call of the Wild) and will be asked to help with co-ordination such as signage, Health and Safety issues etc. He will be invited, and it is hoped he may join us at a future full committee meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.10pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday 10th May 5.30pm