

Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association

Committee Meeting

Saturday 1st June 2019, 10am

Omori Community Hall

Minutes

Present: Peter Britnell, Pieter Braun, Greg Hadley, Lizzy Shaw, Kevin O'Hara, Bobbie Mortensen, Peter Naysmith, Paulane McLean and Michelle Hayward, Ngaire Grainger and Te Takinga New (Chairman Turangi Tongariro Community Board)

Apologies: Ian Young, Michael Bowie, Maggie Stewart, Tangonui Kingi and Andy Hema.

Minutes of the committee meeting held 30th March 2019

Moved that it be a true and correct record Moved : Peter Britnell **Seconded:** Pieter Braun

Matters Arising:

Nil

Correspondence:

Inward email from TDC responding to OKRA water quality questions raised at the last meeting. The email was circulated to all committee members.

Financial Report:

OKRA Financial Report to March 29 2019

ANZ Cheque/Current account \$13,291.79

ANZ Term Deposit \$41,583.06 (matures 7/7/19)

Westpac cheque account \$1,555.00

Peter Naysmith - Treasurer

Motion: That the WestPak account in Taumarunui be closed and the balance transferred to the ANZ account in Taupo.

Moved :Peter Naysmith Seconded: Pieter Braun. Carried

Security Camera Issues. Camera and recorder need upgraded but the cables are all OK.

One estimate for the upgrade is in the region of \$5,000 - \$6,000 dollars

Peter will approach other security camera agents and prepare proposal to the committee for further consideration.

Bobbie will assist Peter by approaching her security camera contacts and passing on information to further inform Peter's proposal.

Liz will also make an enquiries through the on line community page.

The committee is also considering making an application from the community grants fund to help fund any agreed security camera upgrade.

Moved that the Finance report be accepted

Moved: Peter Naysmith Seconded: Ngaire Grainger

Greg`s Comments: (Operations Manager Taupo District Council)

Rubbish bins: Greg outlined the information pertinent to his recommendation to be presented to the Turangi Community Board at their meeting on Tues 11th June at 1.00pm. This relates to the proposed trial period over the 2019/20 holiday period of the deployment of bins and the seeking of TCC support and approval for the trial.

Kevin OHara and Pieter Braun will represent OKRA at the meeting.

The Chairman of the TTCB, Te Takinga New, extended an invitation to OKRA to have some time at the meeting to present OKRA`s priorities and projects for 2019 and beyond as part of information sharing, so that Council have a better picture of the issues concerning us.

Greg explained general TDC processes in terms of future OKRA submissions for the TDC annual plan.

D3 Subdivision:

One of the requirements of the Environment Court pertaining to the D3 subdivision is the replanting of vegetation. TDC and DoC are looking at a number of areas including an 8 metre buffer strip along the reserve south of the Omori boat ramp. Consultations in this regard will occur with property owners. Planting could also occur at The Omori stream reserve and Whio Whio reserve. The Committee asked Greg if he knew at what stage the proposal was at, will Council be publically notifying? Greg suggested that we would need to ask Planning to clarify.

Dangerous Gum trees on Whio Whio reserve. TDC will cut down trees as required .

Chairman Peter suggested that the committee invite Waikato Regional councillor Kathy White to a future committee meeting. Suggested we do that after the next local body elections.

Projects Plan Update

- 1) Shade cloth over Kuratau playground – Worth pursuing as a priority- TDC to complete drainage work nearby first- Rubber matting and shade cover needed-Possible co-funding project with TDC- Will need to put together a costing then re- consult ratepayers on the project in view of the potentially high cost.
- 2) Shop notice board upgrade – Work completed within budget. Final coat of paint when the weather improves, then bolt back into position.
- 3) Parking beside the Omori playground/Chess/Petanque court- still an issue as there is no legal parking on the reserve and the Hall carpark is not being used for this purpose. A worn patch is developing just before the fenced off area. For a designated car park to be put in place, a formal submission needs to be drawn up for presentation to the TTCB as part of a longer term solution and process.

4) Defib – Defib located at the Hall needs better publication, perhaps signage in front of hall. Could possibly locate one near the Kuratau boat ramp. Despite bargains on the market, we could be looking at a budget of approx \$3,000. Paulane offered to use her newsletter to help publicise location of Defib at the hall.

Fraser Lake has offered CPR and defib training course. Thanks Fraser.

5) Pat Hotter river seat revamp - completed.

General Business:

1) Civil Defence Report– Pieter Braun gave a comprehensive report.

A joint meeting was held involving Fire Brigade and First response personnel and the local area Emergency Manager. A booklet is being prepared identifying resources in the area that could be used in an emergency. Recommendations also being draughted. Next meeting will be late July 2019.

OKRA committee briefly discussed how we could support CD. Funding for a water tank and adapting power points in the hall to support generators, received a mention.

2) Two more newsletters this year. One before Labour weekend and the final one before Christmas

3) Te Takinga New suggested it may be a good idea for the TTCB to have some delegated authority for decision making over local reserves instead of TDC. He asked if OKRA would back this. The committee supported Te Takinga`s delegation proposal.

4) Freedom camping. It appears that this is creeping back into the area despite signage. Some campers are questioning the exact meaning of the signs. Do the signs need updating and made clearer. General discussion ensued.

5) Bobbie mentioned to Greg about the possible improvement for people in wheelchairs to access Motutaiko reserve. Greg will consider it.

6) Notice board at top of Omori Hill. Paulane reported that wording needs to be reconsidered by the design team to reduce the number of the words. New ideas might include “Relax enjoy your stay...or Take a break please slow down” etc.... Other ideas will be considered by the design team. The overall intention is to encourage people to slow down from the top of the hill

7) A vote of thanks to Judith OHara for making a monogrammed OKRA table cloth for use at open days and AGM`s etc.

Next Meeting Sat August 31st 2019 - 10.00am - Community hall

Meeting closed 12.15 pm