

Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association Committee Meeting
Saturday 2nd April 2022, 10.00am
Omori Community Hall
Minutes

Present: Peter Britnell, Ian Young, Kevin O'Hara, Peter Naysmith, Jared Crowley, Ngaire Grainger, Margaret Sager, Raewyn Beattie.

President Peter Britnell opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Apologies: Liz Shaw, Amanda Collier, Paulane McLean.

Moved: Apologies be accepted: Moved: Kevin O'Hara Seconded: Peter Naysmith
Carried

Minutes; of the committee meeting held 28th January 2020

Moved: That they be a true and correct record. Moved: Peter Britnell Seconded: Ngaire Grainger Carried

Matters Arising:

A meeting took place between TDC Deputy CEO Julie Gardin, Libby O'Brien and Peter Britnell to facilitate improved contact, communication and liaison with OKRA. Progress was made in this area. It was followed up with a visit to the Omori Hall by TDC Community Engagement personnel, Marama Isherwood and Jason Cathro.

Correspondence: Inwards/Outwards

1. TDC Bryson Huxley Speed limit Te Puke Road
2. The Lines Company re sec cam on TLC pole
3. Greg Hadley Omori walking track
4. Ngaire /Claire Sharland - Road Mirrors
5. Ngaire/Kieran Smith –Fitness circuit

Treasurer's Report: Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association Inc.

Treasurer's report as at January 28th 2022

ANZ Bank: Current Account \$83,939.46

Resolution:

Moved: Peter Naysmith **Seconded:** Peter Britnell

That the Finance report be accepted and current accounts are paid. **Carried.**

Business:

1) Security Cameras. Peter Naysmith reported that the security camera is up and running and working 100%. It is a sophisticated system fit for purpose. Peter will check the regulations to see that we are meeting all legal obligations in relation to deployment of security cameras and in particular signage.

Resolution:

Moved: That Peter Naysmith investigate the feasibility of connecting two additional cameras (at the River Mouth and Boat ramp) to our current Wi Fi (Spark) and to check if solar panels can be used to power them.

Moved: Ngaire Grainger **Seconded:** Peter Britnell

2) Rabbit Management:

Jared Crowley emailed a comprehensive report to committee members on the work done and progress made in relation to the OKRA rabbit control strategy. All information, permission of targeted property owners and maps has been drawn up to allow for the contracting of the consultant to carry out the required data gathering surveys as part of the next stage. When received, the Consultant's report will be used to plan next steps.

Resolution:

That OKRA accepts Jared's report and that the Consultant be engaged to gather data from targeted properties

Moved: Jared Crowley **Seconded:** Ian Young

3) Walking Track (Between Omori Boat ramp and Kuratau Boat ramp)

Currently the track has been closed and TDC warning signs deployed to warn walkers of dangers if attempting to walk the damaged track. Ian Young has been in contact with TDC re repairing and opening the track. Parks and Reserves Manager Greg Hadley has replied to our concerns in writing and outlined the history of the issue and current factors effecting the track. He has indicated he will visit to see and assess the problem first hand.

Resolution:

Motion: Kevin to write to Greg inviting him to meet with OKRA members during his visit to discuss solutions that might result in the reopening of the track.

Moved: Ian Young **Seconded :** Ngaire Grainger

4) General maintenance of walk ways and reserves

Agreement that vegetation control and other maintenance of these public areas have fallen below those original high standards that existed. There seems to be insufficient personnel available to carry out this work. Raewyn will raise the issue via a post on the Community Notice board to encourage ratepayers to utilise the TDC app and link to report problems in the reserves and walkways and raise awareness with the TDC.

Resolution:

Motion: That Ngaire write a letter to TDC outlining community concerns re walkway and reserves maintenance and seek a meeting with council to discuss ways to remedy the situation and that relevant councillors are cc'd into the email

Moved: Raewyn Beattie **Seconded:** Jared Crowley

5) Pop up Meeting

- Hosted by Hall committee
- Publicity on both Notice boards
- Will raise following issues with TDC –Property owners non- resident local Body elections voting roll/OKRA submissions/walking track/reserves maintenance. etc

6) Civil Defence: President Peter Britnell and Raewyn Beattie are focussing on the issue of Civil defence to update our understanding of where we as a community currently stand and where we may need to develop our facilities and capacity to respond as a community to a civil emergency situation. Ngaire and Liz are beginning to update a list of our community and household assets that could be available in an Emergency. Peter has been in contact with Taupo based Civil Defence Co- Ordinator, Ian Cannon and awaiting his reply. With that in mind, a Civil Defence stakeholders meeting is planned for 14 th June 2022 Peter and Raewyn are preparing for the meeting – Agenda and invitees etc.

7) TDC Strategic and Annual Plans

- OKRA currently has 3 submissions with the TDC process – Playground Upgrade, Omori Reserve carpark and Te Puke Road Speed limit.
- The TDC annual plan begins July 1st 2022 to 30th June 2023
- The TDC 10 year plan is 2021 – 2031
- There is also the 3 year plan of which we are now entering year2
- TDC are accepting feedback for the Annual plan until 14th April 2022
- TDC are accepting feedback/Consultation for the Speed Management plan up to 13 th May 2022
- TDC have initiatives on the go to promote community engagement re the Annual plan and one example is the hosting of a Pop Up meeting at Omori Hall on 5/4/22

8) Fitness Circuit:

Idea first mooted in 2014. Could be expensive and may or may not have community support. Will investigate further and discuss again at a future meetings. TDC suggest Pop Up Boot camps which are becoming more popular. Some circuits in Taupo not particularly well used. Maybe group the fitness equipment in one area, for example near the Hall reserve. No Decisions made.

9) Table and Chairs : Lakeside Earthworks-Albert, to be approached re the concrete pad work. Suggestion to apply to Heartland Community trust to help fund the tables/chairs project. TDC declined to assist with any financial support.

10) Mirrors: - TDC suggest Kaimanawa Road realignment and removal of left turn slip lane to shift the exit lane further away to gain 5-10 metres more sight distance. TDC could consider some warning signage for Omori Road re Rangiwhero Street exit. Another suggestion from Peter was to consider a technology based solution with radar activating a warning light perhaps. OKRA has no resolutions re mirrors at present.

11) Neighbourhood “Welcome “ sign at top of Omori hill

Kevin to ask Paulane if she could again sort out an upgrade of the existing now shabby sign.

12) Kuratau Boat Ramp extension - Ian Young

Harbour Board undertaking an asset review of all their Lake Taupo ramp facilities. They will look at Kuratau ramp extension as a priority.

13) Hall Report - Raewyn Beattie

- Hosting TDC Pop up meeting 5th April
- Easter Saturday Market
- Pot Luck dinners to resume
- Quiz night planned
- Revamp of Hall kitchen
- New community on line Notice Board set up now for the wider community

Next Meeting Saturday 16th July 2022 - 10.00am - Community Hall
Meeting closed 11.45 pm