
MINUTES
of the
MOTUEKA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
held
4.00pm, Tuesday, 19 March 2019
at
Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka

Present: 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: Community Development Manager (S Edwards), Senior Customer Services
Officer (V Simpson), Youth Council Representatives (M Takahasi and C
Davies)

Part Attendance: Wastewater Engineer (J Cuthbertson)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

Chair Maru welcomed everyone to the meeting and requested that everybody stand in silence for a moment to acknowledge the victims of the recent attack in Christchurch.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Jim Butler referred to the Council's newslines magazine where 17 projects are highlighted in the 2019/2020 proposed annual plan but only two of the projects are planned for the Motueka Ward area.

Mr Butler suggested the Board support Golden Bays application to form a Local Board.

Ian Williamson spoke to and tabled a document which referred to the following items:

- What is the progress on the Waimea Dam?
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- Could the Motueka Community Board's special projects fund be used to acquire a xray unit for the Motueka Community?
- There is a bench seat on the Kumara walkway that needs to be moved due to the risk of high tide damaging the seat.
- Is there an update on the proposed business case for the High Street upgrade?

Boris Leegwater spoke to the Board about the issue of climate change and how his neighbour should not be allowed to burn coal.

Shirley Frater spoke on behalf of the Motueka Senior Citizens Association (MSCA) and informed the Board that there is a silver birch tree on the western side of the building that needs to be heavily pruned or removed due to the damage it is causing to the roof.

Mrs Frater spoke to the Board about the need for better outside lighting at the MSCA to deter criminal activity.

Board member Dowler advised Mrs Frater that a grant from Network Tasman for the lighting can be applied for.

Mrs Frater expressed her concern about the proposal for new toilets to be installed on the eastern side of the fishing platform at George Quay. Mrs Frater said the area is currently a valuable open space and should not be used for a non-recreational activity.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Board member Horrell expressed a declaration of interest in relation to the discretionary fund application from the Motueka Neighbourhood Support Society.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Board Member Hutt/Cr Hawkes
MCB19-03-9

That the minutes of the Motueka Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 19 February 2019, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

6 PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Relocatable and Transportable Homes

Ms Julie Jacobsen spoke to the Board about a proposal for a temporary (up to 5 years) land use consent in the form of a pop-up village of tiny houses.

This proposal would offer people who are starting out or starting over, affordable and independent living.

Ms Jacobsen has received permission from a land owner on Old Wharf Road to use his land for a Tiny House Expo to showcase 40 examples of the houses to the community.

A property manager would be employed by the landowner and would live on-site to ensure the contract obligations are met by the occupants and to manage residents contributions or complaints.

The homes are 2.8 x 2.8 meters and are placed on a trailer that is easily transportable, certified and registered for road use. The cost of a tiny home varies depending on size, function and finish and range between \$40,000 to \$140,000. A “rent to buy” option would also be available and could be a good use of the accommodation supplement assistance currently offered by government.

There would be reticulated waste water available to meet the resource consent requirements. The homes are a one bedroom unit which can accommodate 1-2 people.

6.2 Local Government Commission (LGC) Presentation

Community Development Manager, Susan Edwards talked through the key points of the local government reorganisation report in the agenda and encouraged communities to put their views forward early on in the process to give the Local Government Commission (LGC) a wider community view.

A few members of the Golden Bay community have made an application to the LGC for a local board in their area to be established. As a result of this application the public will be notified and asked for alternative proposals and the LGC will then identify its “preferred option”.

A draft reorganisation proposal will then be open for consultation and once submissions have been considered the LGC will decide whether or not to proceed with the final proposal.

Ms Edwards explained that if the LGC decides to issue a final proposal then no poll can be requested and the transition process will commence.

The Board agreed to have a workshop around this matter when it is open for consultation and Chair Maru requested that Ms Edwards remind the Board when it is at this stage.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Discretionary Fund Applications

Hilary Carson-Campbell spoke to the application from Motueka Districts Neighbourhood Support Society and informed the Board that the \$500 grant would be used to pay for training sessions with qualified paramedics on how to perform CPR and operating an AED machine.

Jane Hobday spoke to the application from Motueka Random Acts of Kindness Group and informed the Board that the \$500 grant would be spent on publicity and materials to construct a kindness wall outside the Motueka Museum also to print flyers for distribution to other organisations and schools.

There was nobody present from Project-De Vine Trust to answer questions from the Board. The Board noted that Project De-Vine Trust have \$5000.00 approved through the special projects fund and acknowledged the good work they do in the area.

The Board supported all three of the applications.

**Moved Board Member Dowler/Board Member Hutt
MCB19-03-10**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Discretionary Fund Application March 2019 report RMCB19-3-4; and

- 1. Grants Motueka Districts Neighbourhood Support Society (Inc.) \$500.00.**
- 2. Grants Project De-Vine \$500.00.**
- 3. Grants Motueka Random Acts of Kindness \$500.00.**

CARRIED

7.2 Motueka Community Board Chair's Report

Local Board Proposal

The Board agreed to have a workshop around this matter when it is open for consultation and Chair Maru requested that Ms Edwards remind the Board when it is at this stage.

Responsible Camping

There is a petition on-line from members of the community around the decision making on freedom camping. Currently there is an economic decline on commercial businesses in the Motueka area which is thought to be due to freedom campers. The petition is to gather support to change the current self-containment regulations. The Board discussed whether the district's freedom camping bylaw can be changed to reflect a higher standard than the current self-containment standard of a portable toilet.

Paul Hawkes left the meeting at 5.45pm

Paul Hawkes re-entered the meeting at 5.48pm.

Motueka Motorhome Wastewater Dump Station

Chair Maru invited Wastewater Engineer, Jeff Cuthbertson to the table to speak to the report.

Mr Cuthbertson drew the Board's attention to the costing spreadsheet in the report which outlined the cost of each potential location for a new wastewater dump station in Motueka. The existing wastewater dump station situated in Hickmott Place does not have reliable water supply and is situated in an inappropriate location.

The preferred location for a new dump station is Marchwood Park, the Board members unanimously supported this location and agreed to fund \$20,000.00 towards the project from the special projects fund with \$10,000 coming from the current year and \$10,000 from next year's budget.

7.6 Supplementary information - Proposed Public Motor Home Wastewater Dump Station.

The Board took the report as read.

**Moved Cr Hawkes/Board Member Dowler
MCB19-03-11**

That the Motueka Community Board:

1. receives the Supplementary information - Proposed Public Motor Home Wastewater Dump Station report; and
2. supports the construction of a new motor home wastewater dump station at the proposed Marchwood Park Road site; and
3. recommends to the Council that it agrees to the new motor home wastewater dump station located at Marchwood Park Road; and
4. agrees to fund \$20,000.00 from the Motueka Community Board Budget, with \$10,000 coming from the current financial year and \$10,000 from next year's budget.

CARRIED, noting Councillor Ogilvie abstained from the funding decision.

Motueka Library Redevelopment Project

The Board had a Library working group meeting today and the project is progressing well.

Presentations to the Board

The Board discussed who they would like to attend the meetings and suggestions from the Board were the local Police, Mr Ayling from the Marahau Residents Association, Motueka High School Principal and the Manager of the Research Station in Brooklyn. Chair Maru agreed to request the presence of the nominated groups in future meetings.

Recycling Station

Chair Maru asked May Takahashi if she would like the Youth Council to be involved in a discussion with the Motueka Recreation Centre Manager, who is currently reviewing the recycling practices at the centre. Miss Takahashi said she would take this to the Youth Council at their next meeting and report back to the Chair.

Civil Defence response to Pigeon Valley fire and the drought

Chair Maru acknowledged the people involved in the recent fire and the drought in our region.

Anzac Day – Wreath Laying

Board member Hutt and Chair Maru will attend the wreath laying ceremony on Anzac Day and Board member Hutt will make arrangements with the Board secretary for the wreath.

Items from the Board members

Ms Edwards informed the Board that the Waimea Dam project's initial site preparation work is due to begin this month and that the access road is currently being upgraded. Construction on the Dam will start in the next two weeks.

Chair Maru agreed to send an email to Horticultural Officer, Lynne Hall and Reserves Manger, Richard Hollier advising of the Board's support to remove the silver birch tree which is causing damage to the Motueka Senior Citizens building and ask that they contact Shirley Frater directly.

Chair Maru discussed a noticeable decline in traffic police in the Motueka area and discussed a letter he had received from a concerned resident in Grey Street about the excessive speed vehicles are travelling on this road.

Chair Maru has contacted Senior Sergeant Martin Tunley and passed on concerns around not having a dedicated traffic police officer in Motueka. Senior Sergeant Tunley confirmed that the NZ Police are committed to resourcing traffic control in Motueka and in particular speed concerns on Grey Street, Whakarewa Street, Thorp Street and Queen Victoria Street.

Board member Dowler suggested obtaining a portable speed camera for the area and Board member Dowler agreed to contact the Council Engineering Department.

Chair Maru indicated to the Board that the harbour master building revised plan in the agenda does not show a public toilet to be included in the building.

Chair Maru acknowledged the work done by Board members Dowler and Hutt in conjunction with Jeff Cuthbertson on the effort that has gone into the Marchwood Park Dump Station.

Chair Maru decided that the footpath priority list information received from Transportation Manager, Jamie McPherson will be included and discussed in the April agenda and that Mr McPherson is invited to attend the meeting to answer any potential questions.

Board member Hutt agreed to arrange a future meeting with the Board members to discuss a proposal for a waste tyre and plastic recycling plant.

Councillor Ogilvie informed the Board that a siren will sound on 22 Friday at 12.30pm to commemorate the victims of the recent shooting in Christchurch and request when the siren sounds to stand in silence.

Moved Cr Canton/Board Member Dowler

MCB19-03-12

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Motueka Community Board Chair's Report RMCB19-03-4.

7.3 Financial Report

The report was taken as read and there were no questions from members.

Moved Board Member Hutt/Deputy Chair Horrell

MCB19-03-13

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Financial Report RMCB19-03-5.

CARRIED

7.4 Action List

Members noted updates to the Action List. The Board Secretary agreed to include these and circulate the updated list with the agenda for the next meeting.

Moved Cr Hawkes/Board Member Hutt

MCB19-03-14

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Action List RMCB19-03-6 report.

CARRIED

7.5 Special Projects Action List

The Board discussed and updated the list. Chair Maru asked the Board if a more formal application and accountability process should be required for community groups who are awarded special projects funds. The Board Secretary agreed to include the Golden Bay Community Board application form and accountability report in the next agenda for further discussion at the April meeting.

Chair Maru agreed to work with Community Relations Manager, Chris Choat on advertising for suggestions for the next financial years special project funds.

**Moved Board Member Hutt/Cr Hawkes
MCB19-03-15**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Special Projects Action List RMCB19-03-7 report.

CARRIED

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Correspondence

**Moved Chairperson Maru/Cr Ogilvie
MCB19-03-16**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Correspondence RMCB19-03-8 report.

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 6.45pm

Date Confirmed:

14/4/2019

Chair:

