

# MINUTES

**TITLE:** Golden Bay Community Board  
**DATE:** 13 March 2012  
**TIME:** 9.00 am  
**VENUE:** Takaka Service Centre  
**PRESENT:** C McLellan (Chair), L Gamby (Deputy Chair), Board members K Brookes and M Symmons, and Crs M Bouillir and P Sangster

**IN ATTENDANCE:** L Kennedy (Community Services Manager), N Heyes (Minute Secretary), and members of the Press and Public

## APOLOGIES

Nil

## 1. PUBLIC FORUM

Patrick Rose – reported that a fossil of a mammal had been found in a cave at Patarau; he wanted to know if this fossil had been discovered previously.

Robert Sampson – tabled a submission regarding the proposed name change of Pupu Valley Road. The submission was read by the Chair, and was in opposition to the name being changed in view of the new Australia and New Zealand Guidelines on Rural and Urban addressing (AS/NZ 4819:2011).

Bill Wallis – asked about design plans for the Takaka sewerage extension and why the filtration ponds were towards the river. Cr Bouillir explained that studies had been carried out

Mr Wallis asked also about design plans for ponds that were to be used for managing fire risk to rural dwellings. Cr Sangster explained that there are no designs; it is the volume of water that is important.

Mr Wallis asked when there is to be a place at the Port for people to tie up their boats - it is hard for one person to launch their boat and get their vehicle off the ramp.

Mr Wallis spoke about the entrance to the Fresh Choice supermarket – he said it needs to be splayed to stop people running over the kerb. The Chair said the Board would take the matter up.

Jo-Anne Vaughan – showed the Board a greeting card that had been painted by Kathy Reilly as a fund-raiser for Stream Care.

Mrs Vaughan advised that the Labyrinth Rocks pamphlets are now out; the carpark always seems to be full. She acknowledged Council's involvement in opening the

Rocks as a popular attraction. She reported that Weedbusters will do a final sweep to get rid of the weeds.

Mrs Vaughan commented on the Long Term Plan that included a cycle lane from Pohara to Takaka between 2022 and 2032; she said the current proposed off road cycle facility from Takaka to Pohara had been planned as it was thought that Council had refused to put in a cycle lane along Abel Tasman Drive. She asked the Board to support it being done as soon as possible. Mrs Vaughan also asked about a cycleway at Rangihaeata; with work being done at Birds Hill, it is an opportunity to put in a cycle lane.

Cr Bouillir explained that there is a NZ Transport Agency Liaison meeting this week and Birds Hill will be discussed with a view to putting in a cycle lane.

Kevin Bruning – reported that the fence around the Motupipi tennis courts has holes in it; he asked the Board for direction as fundraising for a new fence. He was advised that the courts are not owned or administered by Council and that Kathy Reilly is the contact. The Chair asked Mr Kennedy whether there was assistance available from our Reserves Department.

Elizabeth Warren – suggested a wet seafood shop at the Port of Golden Bay; it would be a good tourist attraction to have fresh, caught-in-the-Bay fish.

Ms Warren asked about the Golden Bay Community Board budget if amalgamation was to happen. Cr Bouillir explained that delegations would include putting in a priority list for Golden Bay work to be done.

The Chair reported there is to an information evening Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March with the Minister of Local Government, Nick Smith, speaking and answering questions.

Ms Warren asked to be kept informed regarding the matter of 'shared land'.

Ms Warren thanked Board members who had looked at the stormwater problem on her property, however nothing has been done. Cr Bouillir said she would follow the matter up with Council's Jeff Cuthbertson.

Simon Parkinson-Jones and Robyn Holloway - from Rainbow Valley Community, spoke to the Board about the problems they have encountered in trying to provide improved public access to the Anatoki River. Rainbow Valley had been negotiating with Council for a partial road closure/land swap arrangement where three houses were accidentally built on road reserve; however Council has now asked them to move the houses and sheds. The Rainbow Valley Community would like to swap the part of the paper road where the houses are built for their riparian strip of land, which would then see a 20m wide reserve along the riverside and river forest walks. They asked the Board to support their plan. A brief history, legal opinion and map of the area were tabled.

Cr Sangster pointed out that Golden Bay County Council had approved the road closure, but it had not been completed due to the previous amalgamation in 1989.

Felicity Fitz-William – spoke to the Board about chemical sensitivity; she presented a display of areas in Golden Bay that are to be treated chemically to eradicate possums and to kill vegetation. Ms Fitz-William said she had written to Council's Selwyn Steedman asking that organic sprays or hot water applications be used instead and had forwarded a petition with 250 signatures; he had responded that it would cost more and organic sprays need repeat applications. Ms Fitz-William said that does not take into account people's health or the environment. In response to a comment from the Board that 'Hitman' an organic spray was used in Commercial Street, Ms Fitz-William said that the organic spray was followed the next day by a toxic spray. She said she would provide copies of a very recent petition along with a letter received from Rick Lowe regarding 'no spray' areas.

Penny Griffith – said she had received a parking ticket; she said she was unaware there was a 60 minute parking restriction and asked for better signage. Ms Griffith tabled a copy of the letter she wrote to Tasman District Council when she paid her fine.

Ms Griffith commented that there is no provision in the Long Term Plan for additional funding for the Provincial Museum for a storage facility. She said it will be 2022 before Council will meet its commitment to provide storage at this regional facility.

Felicity Fitz-William – added that organic spray was used in the gardens in Commercial Street as the Sicon worker is sensitive to sprays.

Sheryl Nalder – Golden Bay Community Workers – spoke to the Board about the lack of visibility coming out of the Community Centre driveway, which had resulted in an elderly woman being knocked off her bike when travelling along Commercial Street as a result of colliding with a vehicle that was inching out of the Community Centre driveway.

Cr Bouillir responded that permission had been given by Tasman District Council to remove a carpark adjacent to the driveway. She said she would follow the matter up with Council's Steve Elkington.

## **2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Minutes of the meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board held on 14 February 2012**

**Moved Board members Brookes/Symmons  
GB12/03/01**

**THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board held on 14 February 2012 (containing resolutions GB12/02/01 – GB12/02/21) be confirmed as a true and correct record.  
CARRIED**

## **3. PRESENTATIONS**

### **3.1 Alan Kilgour – Manager Port of Golden Bay**

Mr Kilgour reported that there has been over 4000 tons of product over the wharf in the last month. The sea shuttle service was also using the Port with Chris Solly taking people from the scallop industry out. Mr Kilgour said it appears that there is a natural seeding of scallops happening in Golden Bay and Tasman Bay that appears to be as good as in the 1990s.

Mr Kilgour said that the lack of fresh water to keep the main wharf operating is a problem; at present they are using salt water but the pressure is not great. It is hoped to have the problem resolved within the next month.

He reported that the boat ramp is operating very well with no problems over the last month; they are awaiting tar-sealing around it to complete the project.

In response to a question from Bill Wallis regarding a launching finger, Mr Kilgour said that the money from the barrier arm will be put back into the facility and a floating launching finger is being considered. He reported approximately \$12,000 has been generated from the barrier arm since Boxing Day, not counting the concession cards; 230 cards have been purchased at \$50 per card. From June it will be \$60 if the person is a boat club member – if not the cost will be \$125. Gate fees will rise from \$5 to \$6.

With regard to the boat that was to be demolished, Mr Kilgour understood it was to be done up and sold; it is paying good berthage, however if the space is needed they are contracted to move on.

Mr Kilgour said he is working with Part Tarakohe Limited to resolve the water problem.

The Chair thanked Mr Kilgour for his report.

The Chair reported that Michael Kargar from NZTA will not be attending the March meeting; he would be meeting with the Board on 30 May 2012.

## **4. REPORTS**

### **4.1 Chair's Report**

#### **4.1.1 Project Janszoon – Abel Tasman National Park**

The Chair remarked that this project is indeed an amazing gift.

**Moved Board member Gamby/Cr Bouillir  
GB12/03/02**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Project Janszoon Trust Director, Devon McLean, expressing our appreciation to the Trust on behalf of the people of Golden Bay, for this remarkable gift to enhance the Abel Tasman National Park.**

## **CARRIED**

It was agreed that Devon McLean be asked if he would like to come and talk to the Board.

### **4.1.2 Tasman District Council Long Term Plan**

**Moved Board member Brookes/Cr Bouillir  
GB12/03/03**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board prepares a submission to the Tasman District Council Draft Long Term Plan.  
CARRIED**

### **4.1.3 Te Waikoropupu/Pupu – Proposal to Change Road Names**

There was lengthy discussion regarding the consultation on the proposal to change the road names. The Chair reported that new information had been received regarding the Pupu Springs Management Plan. It was considered that the Board support the residents' wishes and in line with that view the Board had drafted a new resolution.

**Moved Crs Sangster/Bouillir  
GB12/03/04**

**THAT as the Department of Conservation has now noted that the request to change the name of Pupu Valley Road is not in accordance with the provisions of the Te Waikoropupu Springs Management Plan and after canvassing the views of the residents and the wider community the Golden Bay Community Board recommends to Engineering Services that there be no change to the name of Pupu Valley Road.  
CARRIED**

And further:

**Moved Board member Symmons/Cr Sangster  
GB12/03/05**

**THAT until consultation is complete with Manawhenua ki Mohua the resolution regarding the Pupu Springs Road name change will lie on the table until the April meeting of the Golden Bay Community Board.  
CARRIED**

It was agreed that Board member Symmons take the Board's recommendation to Manawhenua ki Mohua.

The Chair commented that the Board has completed its consultation with the residents of Pupu Valley Road and had a comprehensive response; the residents do not want their road name changed.

### **4.1.4 Birds Hill**

The Chair commented that with the repair work to be undertaken on Birds Hill there is an opportunity to include a cycle lane.

Cr Sangster gave an outline of the time from when Birds Hill slipped to the time the road was open again; he said it was more than the 48 hours that was reported to the Regional Transport Committee's meeting. He considered it could have been opened sooner and did not agree it needed to have lights controlling the traffic. Cr Sangster said it would not be two-lane until Christmas time. He reiterated that the report to the Regional Transport Committee was incorrect however it was accepted at the meeting.

Board member Gamby left the meeting at this point – 10.34am.

The Chair said the Board would be talking to NZTA about Birds Hill; she said there is a bigger community now at Rangihaeata and a cycle lane is needed to meet the needs of that community.

With regards to Totaranui Road, Cr Sangster said that it took seven days from when they started work on it to be able to get a 4-wheel drive vehicle through. He said the figure of \$2M has now been quoted to repair the road.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea between 10.40 and 11.00 am.

Board member Gamby rejoined the meeting at this point.

### **3. Presentations Continued**

#### **3.2 Krista Hobday (Road Safety Co-ordinator) – New Give Way Rules**

Krista Hobday (Road Safety Co-ordinator) joined the meeting and spoke about the new 'Give Way' rules that are to come into effect on 25 March 2012. She directed people to the website [www.giveway.govt.nz](http://www.giveway.govt.nz) for videos and a quiz, and left brochures and stickers at the Takaka Service Centre reception. She gave two simple quotes for people to remember who gives way: "Top of the T goes before me" and "if you are turning right, give way".

#### **3.3 Helle Janssen – Holistic Forestry**

Helle Janssen's gave a powerpoint presentation on how fundamentally important it is to live in an environmentally sustainable way, specifically with regard to our forestry industry. Growing pine forests has depleted our soils taking away the soil's ability to store water and exchange nutrients and depleting soil carbon because of overuse. Mr Janssen explained that exotic varieties (pines, eucalypts, douglas firs) are 'pest' plants and are incompatible with sustainability. Instead we should be planting natives such beech, that are capable of coping with the soil that pines leave behind, and other native species along streams. When harvesting these trees, the smaller ones should be taken with harvesting only occurring every 5 years. He suggested the profits from harvesting our existing pines should be channelled back into planting native forests for future generations before it is too late. In response to a question about the number of pine rotations before the soil is degraded, Mr Janssen

considered perhaps two rotations before the soil needs building back up again. Mr Janssen said a charity has been established to endeavour to get funding to the people who are putting in native forests; he considered the potential is still there and we can re-create storage capacity in our soils, but there is no time to waste.

#### **4.1 Chair's Report Continued**

##### **4.1.5 Old Library Site**

The Chair reported that Council's Glenn Thorn has been working on this project.

Cr Bouillir said that Jude Gillies has sent through a plan, which gives another option of an easy care site; Mr Thorn is aware of this plan.

##### **4.1.6 Waste Water Treatment Plant Open Day**

The Chair said information is to be given to Bill Wallis.

##### **4.1.7 Port of Golden Bay at Tarakohe**

It was reported that the meeting of both councillors and the Golden Bay Community Board Chair, Alan Kilgour and Bob and Joan Butts was successful with everyone in agreement. The Chair reported that the decision was made to not increase the Port's indebtedness.

##### **4.1.8 Rainbow Valley Community – Public Walkway Proposal**

Mr Kennedy reported that Jim Frater (Manager Property Services) is working on this matter at present.

Board member Symmons commented that he and Cr Bouillir had met with the Mayor and he had suggested a round table meeting.

**Moved Cr Sangster/Board member Gamby  
GB12/03/06**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board supports in principle the solution proposed by the Rainbow Valley community to resolve outstanding issues with part of the unformed road, and note the considerable gains to public access to the Anatoki River from this proposal.**

**Further, that the Council's Manager Property Services reports to the Golden Bay Community Board at the April meeting regarding this issue.  
CARRIED**

**Moved Board member Symmons/Cr Sangster  
GB12/03/07**

**THAT if the matter is not progressed, it is further recommended that a meeting be convened with the Mayor, Council's Manager Property Services (Jim Frater)**

**representatives of Rainbow Valley, Councillor Bouillir and Board member Symmons.  
CARRIED**

#### **4.1.9 Fire Protection Amendments to the Tasman Resource Management Plan**

Board member Symmons spoke to this item. He suggested that while it is worthy to try and manage fire risk, it is true that if the brigade is not in attendance at a fire within 10 – 15 minutes, it is too late. The extra water storage puts added cost on building houses in outlying areas and cuts back on the amount of land in a section that can be built on.

**Moved Board member Symmons/Cr Bouillir  
GB12/03/08**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board submits to Tasman District Council on the change to the TRMP regarding Managing Fire Risk to Rural Dwellings.  
CARRIED**

It was agreed that Board member Symmons writes the submission.

#### **4.1.10 AA Finger Signs**

**Moved Board members Brookes/Gamby  
GB12/03/09**

**THAT The Golden Bay Community Board write to all contractors who are likely to be removing old signs and replacing them with new ones asking that the old signs be given to the Community Board. This would provide the Board with the opportunity to either auction the signs for funds for community purposes or dispose of them to the local Museums, whichever is appropriate.  
CARRIED**

#### **4.1.11 Aging in Place**

The Chair reported that she has the full report that was commissioned by the Golden Bay Work Centre Trust for anyone who would like to read it.

#### **4.1.12 Landcare Ambassador**

**Moved Councillors Bouillir/Sangster  
GB12/03/10**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Sue Brown congratulating her on being made a Landcare Ambassador.  
CARRIED**

#### **4.1.13 Rates Relief**

**Moved Cr Bouillir/Board member Brookes**



**GB12/03/11**

**THAT The Golden Bay Community Board supports the Tasman District Council proposal to look at a rates relief package to ratepayers adversely affected by the December floods.**

**CARRIED**

**Moved Board members Symmons/Gamby**

**GB12/03/12**

**THAT the Report and Correspondence contained in the agenda be received.**

**CARRIED**

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

**5.1 Takaka Market Licence – Susan Mathieson (Property Officer)**

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes**

**GB12/03/13**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board recommends the Takaka Market Licence be renewed for a maximum term of 3 years, with the market organiser to present an annual report to the Board.**

**CARRIED**

**5.2 Report on the Takaka Village Market 2011 – 2012 : Peter Pontier**

**Moved Board members Gamby/Brookes**

**GB12/03/14**

**THAT the report on the Takaka Village Market be received and the author advised of the Golden Bay Community Board's recommendation to the Property Officer that the Takaka Village Market licence be renewed for a maximum period of 3 years.**

**CARRIED**

**5.3 Youth In Local Government Leadership Conference – Local Government New Zealand**

**Moved Board members Brookes/Symmons**

**GB12/03/15**

**THAT the Golden Bay Community Board supports Cr Bouillir's attendance at the Youth in Local Government Leadership Conference, which she has indicated she would be very keen to attend.**

**CARRIED**

**5.4 Home and Personal Safety Courses – Age Concern**

**5.5 Letter of Thanks – Chris Auchinvole**

**5.6 Road Maintenance on Bird Road – Anahata Yoga Retreat**

**5.7 Tasman Regional Passenger Transport Plan – Sarah Downs**

**(Transportation Planning Officer)**

Correspondence items 5.4 – 5.7 inclusive were received earlier in the meeting.

**6. LATE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Moved Board member Brookes/Cr Sangster  
GB12/03/16**

**THAT the following be accepted as late agenda items:**

- **Golden Bay Community Centre Accessway; and**
- **Zone 5 Community Board meeting**

**CARRIED**

**6.1 Golden Bay Community Centre Accessway**

**Moved Board member Brookes/Cr Bouillir  
GB12/03/17**

**THAT Steve Elkington, (Transportation Projects Engineer), be contacted to find out progress on the matter of the removal of the carpark adjacent to the Golden Bay Community Centre accessway, as a matter of urgency.**

**CARRIED**

**6.2 Zone 5 Community Board meeting**

**Moved Cr Sangster/Board member Brookes  
GB12/03/18**

**THAT approval in principle be given for Board member Symmons to attend the Zone 5 Community Board's meeting in Christchurch on 30 April 2012 (subject to the relevance of the final agenda.**

**CARRIED**

It was agreed that the remuneration issue be added to the Zone 5 agenda, with Board member Symmons to raise the matter with Mike Mora, Zone 5 representative on NZ Community Board's Executive.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.50 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: