
MINUTES
of the
GOLDEN BAY COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
held
9.00 am, Tuesday, 14 May 2013
at
Takaka Bowling Club, Hiawatha Lane, Takaka

Present: C McLellan (Chair), M Symmons, K Brookes, L Gamby, Crs M Bouillir,
P Sangster

In Attendance: Customer Services Manager (S Westley), Senior Customer Services Officer
(L Page)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed everyone that Lloyd Kennedy, recently retired Community Services Manager, will be attending for a farewell lunch.

Moved Deputy Chair Gamby/Cr Sangster
GBCB13-05-1

That the late agenda items 7.2 Dogs in Takaka CBD, 7.3 Verbal report by Councillor Sangster and 7.4 Verbals Report by Councillor Bouillir be accepted.

CARRIED

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Alan Vaughan – Talked about the pressure on the Community Board from the RSA. He said it would be sad to see a war memorial monument at the site as he would like to see the site left as open as possible for relaxation.

Mr Vaughan also spoke of the aqua-culture development. He said that the court of appeal has found that the High Court was correct in requiring the Ministry of Fisheries to go over evidence and reconsider its position. Mr Vaughan is writing a report for the Golden Bay Weekly and said that he will give a copy of that report to the Board.

Moiria Tilling – Spoke of lack of signage at the entrance to Port Tarohe and explained how dangerous it is. Ms Tilling gave the Board a copy of a letter that she has sent to Council.

Board Member Symmons stated that Gary Clark, Transportation Manager, is attending a meeting with the Board about the Meihana Street Intersection so the Board could talk to him about this issue then.

Russell McKendry – Talked about the erosion problem at Parapara Reserve. He said that for \$50, any family can have access to the facilities i.e. Kayaks etc. Mr McKendry showed the Board some pictures of the steps that have recently been put in place at the reserve. Nigel Beatson, an engineer, has done some drawings for the Aorere Futures Trust for the Gabions discussed at previous meetings. Mr McKendry gave the Board evidence of costing for these Gabions.

The Chair commented that the Board could investigate the possibility of funding from Community Services Reserves fund and/or funding from Grants from Rates.

Councillor Sangster said that he will seek funding assistance from the Pupu Hydro Society's funds for community projects as they do have funds to assist.

Peter Foster – complained that he can find nothing in the minutes from David Stephenson, Utilities Engineer. Mr Foster believed that Mr Stephenson had promised a full report and presentation at this meeting. Mr Foster's property borders Swiftsure Street and he wants to know what his legal rights are.

Mr Foster also raised his concern at the lack of distribution of the agenda. He wants to know who made this decision.

The Chair explained that lots of minutes have been going to people that have not attended meetings in years. The list has been cut from 57 people down to 15 people and only 2 people have been asked to be reinstated. The Chair said that the Board would be happy to reinstate Mr Foster on to the mailing list.

Beth Burdett – Talked about sandbags. The provision of sandbags has gone back to Richmond and this is unacceptable. There were no sandbags available at the last rain event.

Ms Burdett also talked about the waratahs that are protecting the slip on Wainui Hill. These waratahs all have uncapped heads and this is a danger to cyclists.

Councillor Sangster commented that Councillor Trevor Norris was looking at her submission and was looking into getting the waratahs capped.

Ms Burdett was delighted to see that the Community Board are supporting cycleways.

Ms Burdett also spoke about public access by identifying paper roads. Opening up the unformed legal road between Motupipi and Takaka would be good for cyclists.

The Chair commented that the Board are aware of the situation with unformed legal roads and that they do not want any of these access ways to be lost.

Iona Jelf – talked about chemical use and ground spraying along river beds. Lack of notification is a problem. Ms Jelf asked if the Community Board could advocate for the community to make notification and signage commonplace. The TRMP, section 34.6 states that Council were going to

make a commitment to use less sprays. Ms Jelf also asked if the Board could find out what is being sprayed on the village green. Ms Jelf gave the Board a copy of her submissions to the Annual Plan.

Sage Forrest – Talked about the ability to have multiple occupancy on land. She wants to live in a Yurt and she has heard that Council were to turn a 'blind eye' to this way of living and she believes that there are lots of people living in multiple occupancy situations illegally. She has heard that Council are willing to come to some arrangement about the types of land that could be used for this purpose. Rural land should be given to people that want to develop it, it makes sense socially. People want change.

The Chair talked about Council's rural review and said that the Board understands that there are people in Golden Bay who would appreciate the opportunity to share land for their housing needs.

Councillor Bouillir stated that there is a Rural Review workshop on the 23rd May.

BJ White – Talked about Swiftsure Street. He said that they were promised information by David Stephenson. One million dollars has gone into Swiftsure Street and it is not even a legal road.

Mr White has not heard anything back from his application.

The Chair said that the Board would email David Stephenson and Lindsay McKenzie about this issue. Mrs Westley will also follow up on this issue.

Felicity Fitz-William – Talked about road spraying and expressed concern about Glyphosate use. Exposure limits have not been identified by OSH.

Ms Fitz-William commented that Fulton Hogan use Round Up in Takaka CBD.

The Resource Consent for roadside spraying is up for renewal in 2014.

Board member Symmons informed Ms Fitz-William that there is an option to not have your road frontage not sprayed.

Trevor Riley – Talked about dogs in Takaka CBD.

The Chair commented that the bylaw is up for renewal in 2014 and the Board intend on consulting with Golden Bay residents to get some indication of what residents preferences are for the CBD.

Councillor Bouillir said that the Board want everyone to have their say and that there may be options for dog owners.

Fiona Cameron – Why are the contractors spraying the road side four times a year when there are no weeds there? They could use a more expensive organic spray and spray only twice a year.

Suzanne Westley – Sandbags – They are available in Golden Bay, Fulton Hogan have 3500 bags.

In the last rain event, Call Care was inundated with calls so Customer Services were called back in to answer calls. When they got to their office, the office was under water so they had to relocate. Once they relocated it took time to get the phones up and running.

The onus is on the property owner to protect their own property.

A new step is going to be put in place for sand bag allocation and an article is going to be placed in Newsline on what to do in an emergency.

Councillor Sangster commented that people want a simple system. They just want some sandbags, they want to be put straight through to Fulton Hogan and they can deliver the bags.

Mrs Westley said that when an event starts, it is not a Civil Defence emergency at that time; this is when Council can help. Once Civil Defence takes over, they have their protocols and are out of Council control.

Councillor Bouillir commented that certain properties will always be vulnerable and said that these should be flagged as such.

Sara Chapman, Civil Defence alternate controller for Golden Bay, agreed that certain properties should be flagged and expressed concern that Fulton Hogan are already on the roads when there is an event so they will have little time to deliver sand bags.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea between 10.30am and 10.53am

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**Moved Cr Sangster/Deputy Chair Gamby
GBCB13-05-2**

That the minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 9 April 2013, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

6 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7 REPORTS

7.1 Golden Bay Community Board - Chair's Report

**Moved Deputy Chair Gamby/Cr Bouillir
GBCB13-05-3**

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Golden Bay Community Board - Chair's Report RGB13-05-01.

CARRIED

Deputy Chair Gamby commented that there is still money for Boredom Busters but a decreased amount. It is important that Golden Bay and Murchison retain Boredom Buster funding as we have no alternative providers.

7.2 Dogs in Takaka CBD

Moved Deputy Chair Gamby/Cr Sangster
GBCB13-05-4

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the report Dogs in Takaka CBD RGB13-05-04; and that the Golden Bay Community Board, in consultation with Communications Manager Chris Choat, prepares a consultation form regarding dogs in the Takaka CBD. This consultation form is to be circulated to Golden Bay residents through the Newsline and must be signed and an address provided.

CARRIED

The Board decided that this would go out in the July Newsline so it coincided with dog registration. The Board, Suzanne Westley and Chris Choat will communicate via email to agree on the questions and format. The form will also be available to fill in online.

Mrs Westley said that the forms could be sent to the Takaka Office where Laura Page, Senior Customer Services Officer, could compile them.

7.3 Verbal Report

Moved Deputy Chair Gamby/Brookes
GBCB13-05-5

Verbal report by Councillor Paul Sangster
CARRIED

Councillor Sangster met with Quartz Range neighbours to have discussions about access issues.

Birds Hill – slowly working through the problems. The negotiations are ongoing.

Noise Control – Have had 9 issues this month. Councillor Sangster managed to resolve all of them. It is amazing how much noise goes on around the place. There are people out there that are very tolerant.

Letter from Alan Blackie In Golden Bay Weekly regarding times that Councillors and Board members spend on Council business. Councillor Sangster appreciates Councillor Bouillir's Council and community emails which he says are awesome.

Councillor Bouillir commented that there is no way a Councillor can do a good job on 10 hours a week.

The Chair commented that the Board can rely on high attendance at all meetings by our Councillors, which demonstrates their dedication.

Councillor Sangster commented that he has 21 hours of meeting this week plus however long the current meeting takes. That is just meetings; it doesn't include travel there and back.

Councillor Bouillir commented that she does 40-60 hours per week. She attends local meeting as well as other meetings. All the background reading takes time. Board members also ensure they attend all relevant meetings and keep up with council reading.

7.4 Verbal Report

Moved Deputy Chair Gamby/Brookes
GBCB13-05-6

Verbal report by Councillor Martine Bouillir
CARRIED

Attended a treaty workshop with Councillors, Mayor Kempthorne, Lindsay McKenzie, Chief Executive, Mike Drummond, Corporate Services Manager and Board member Brookes.

Glenview Road – Selwyn Steadman, Transportation Network Engineer, is to keep the Board in the loop. They are going to have a meeting with residents before the end of May.

Grants Road, Public Access and walking track – Councillor Bouillir, Councillor Sangster and Board member Symmons attended a meeting to try and resolve access issues regarding this portion of unformed legal road. Unfortunately this has not yet been resolved. However, negotiations are ongoing. The Board will seek assistance from Chris Tonkin, Walking Access New Zealand.

Climate Change – Nicole Foss, Canadian Energy Consultant, is to speak to Council on 4th June.

The Chair commented that she is aware of how busy both the Councillors have been this last month.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Correspondence

Moved Cr Sangster/Brookes
GBCB13-05-7

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Correspondence RGB13-04-02.

CARRIED

Pat Timings – his letter is to be sent to Adrian Humphries, Regulatory Manager. A letter is to be sent to Mr Timings informing him that we have sent his letter to Mr Humphries and letting him know that he can contact Control Services through the Takaka Service Centre.

Letter from the RSA – Mrs Westley to talk to Beryl Wilkes, Reserves Manager, about this issue and arrange for Board members and Ms Wilkes to meet with RSA members.

8.2 Takaka Christmas Decorations

Moved Cr Bouillir/Symmons
GBCB13-05-8

That the Golden Bay Community Board receives the Takaka Christmas Decorations RGC13-05-03; and that the Golden Bay Community Board writes to the Arts Council asking if they would like to be involved in decorating the main street.

CARRIED

Councillor Bouillir stated that a table has been made for the library site and it needs to go in place and asked if it can go in now.

Mrs Westley said that she will sort this out.

The work on the Mohua sculptures is progressing. The Arts Council have requested that the Golden Bay Community Board write to NZTA in support of the placing of the sculptures where they are adjacent to SH60.

The meeting concluded at 11.47am

Date Confirmed:

Chair:

Unconfirmed