MINUTES

TITLE	Motueka Community Board
DATE	Tuesday 8 December 2009
TIME	4.30 pm
VENUE	Motueka Service Centre, 7Hickmott Place, Motueka
PRESENT	D J Ogilvie (Chair), D Eddy (Deputy Chair), T Forde, P Hawkes
IN ATTENDANCE	Mayor R G Kempthorne, Accounting Manager (R Holden), Reserves Manager (B Wilkes), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

1	PUBLIC FORUM
1.1	J Butler, Grey Power

Mr Butler said Grey Power is concerned about the proposed stopbank works proposed which they consider are unaffordable and unnecessary.

1.2 J Krammer

Mr Krammer congratulated Council on the way Thorps Bush is maintained. He suggested an information board be erected inside the gate identifying the trees in the area. He asked about progress on the wetland project around the wastewater ponds and suggested a bird sanctuary be extended from Pah Point to Mapua. He suggested that York Park be set aside for a dog exercise area. He asked what had happened to the Holyoake park bench and thanked Council for the kerb crossings that have been completed in Motueka.

1.3 R Haines

Mr Haines was disappointed that only three people turned up to the consultation meeting for the annual plan and asked if there was some way he could be advised of meetings in the future. He expressed concern about a "stop work" notice that was issued to him while he was building his dwelling and asked that Council look at the designation of the Motueka airport. He asked if the Board would support his objection to paying a water development levy – the only one out of about 50 houses in his subdivision that has to pay.

1.4 P Lister

Mr Lister asked about the Motueka streetscaping and noted it hasn't been finished and some of the pavers need maintenance. He considers the Talbot Street/Manoy Street link would alleviate some of the traffic congestion in High Street, but it isn't included in the annual plan. He suggested having a police presence in the streets especially when school comes out to counter the problem of bikes on footpaths. He

also commented on what he sees as a misleading article in the current Newsline – The Mag concerning fencing of swimming pools.

1.5 L Simpson

Mr Simpson said by building the stopbanks higher is not going to solve the flooding problem. He asked why Council has cut out all the crack willow in the river. He doesn't agree with planting natives along the rivers as they will be washed away in the first flood. He enquired as to whether the fire wells are being pumped out.

Mr Hawkes said the fire wells have been surveyed to find out which ones are usable and those that need maintenance.

Mr Simpson said the money collected from Motueka ratepayers was used to put in a fire hydrant. He asked when the rules were changed as the levy was to only pump the fire wells.

Mr Ogilvie said the levy was for maintenance of the fire wells and any surplus is used to extend the reticulation and the policy was changed 5 or 6 years ago.

Mr Simpson commented on vegetation growing over footpaths which obstructs them and makes it difficult for people to walk along.

2	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
2.1	Motueka Community Board – 10 November 2009

Moved D Ogilvie/P Hawkes MCB09/12/01

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Motueka Community Board held on Tuesday 10 November 2009 containing resolutions numbered MK09/11/01 to MK09/11/09 be confirmed.

CARRIED

3	DISCRETIONARY FUND APPLICATIONS
3.1	Keep Motueka Beautiful Inc – Litter Cart Project Funding

Mr I Miller was in attendance to speak to the application for litter cart funding. The funds would be used to pay wages and operating costs of the litter cart. He said McDonalds would sponsor the cart to a lesser extent to that of last year.

Ms Forde said that posters are being removed from the poster tower by the litter cart man a day or two after they're put there and she asked that he be requested to leave them up for a longer period.

Moved P Hawkes/D Ogilvie MCB09/12/02

THAT Keep Motueka Beautiful Inc be granted \$500 from the Motueka Discretionary Fund, to pay wages and operating costs of the litter cart. CARRIED

3.2 Senior Net Motueka – Digital Interest Group

Mrs S Frater, spoke on behalf of the Senior Net Motueka Digital Interest Group, who requested \$500 towards advertising, cardboard and printing of entry forms to promote and display a photo competition as part of the Festival of Lights.

Moved T Forde/D Eddy MCB09/12/03

THAT the Senior Net Motueka – Digital Interest Group be granted \$500 from the Motueka Discretionary Fund towards advertising, cardboard and printing of entry forms to promote and display a photo competition as part of the Festival of Lights.

CARRIED

4 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved D Ogilvie/P Hawkes MCB09/12/04

THAT the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of the matter while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for passing this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Submission re targeted rates	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7	Section 48(1)(a)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Reason to withhold information under Section 6 or 7	Section
Protect the privacy of natural persons.	Section 7(2)(a)

CARRIED

(Refer to confidential minute book)

5 NATURAL BURIALS

Reserves Manager, B Wilkes, was in attendance to speak to the report contained in the agenda. The report informed the Board about the new Natural Burial area at Motueka Cemetery.

6	CORRESPONDENCE
6.1	Skatepark Improvements

Ms Forde said that Kathy Tohill had not contacted her concerning the consultation on the skatepark improvements.

6.2 Rural Fires

Mr Eddy said with minimal injection of funds the current firewood scheme would be able to continue. He said funding will be applied for from Tasman District Council via the annual plan process. He said that people receiving firewood are asked for a \$10 donation.

6.3 Local Government Act 2002 : Review/Amendments

Mr Holden read part of a letter from Department of Internal Affairs which stated that councils can use a targeted rate to cover the expenses of community boards.

6.4 Freedom Camping

Ms Forde said the Board should be pushing to have a toilet put down at the Motueka Bridge.

Mr Ogilvie said Cr Higgins had told him the decision had been made by the Environment and Planning Committee to monitor the situation over the summer period.

6.5 Structure Plan/Transportation Study

Mr Ogilvie advised that he had sent Ms Rose Biss a suggested rescheduled timetable for the Structure Plan for 2010.

6.6 Directional Sign – Kohatu

The question of a directional sign pointing down the Motueka Valley Highway towards the Abel Tasman National Park was to be raised at the recent State Highway Liaison Committee meeting. The Board requested advice of the outcome of that request and clarification of wording of the sign.

Moved P Hawkes/T Forde MCB09/12/05

THAT the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be approved.

CARRIED

7	EXTRACTS FROM COUNCIL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE
	REPORTS

Extracts from Council and Council Committee reports were contained in the agenda.

Moved D Ogilvie/T Forde MCB09/12/06

THAT the Extracts from Council and Council Committee Reports be received. CARRIED

8	REPORTS
8.1	Community Board Chair

Mr Ogilvie spoke to his report contained in the agenda.

Moved D Ogilvie/P Hawkes MCB09/12/07

THAT the Community Board Chair's report dated 30 October 2009 be received. CARRIED

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The agenda contained the October 2009 financial report for the Motueka Community Board.

Moved P Hawkes/D Eddy MCB09/12/08

THAT the Financial report for the period ended 31 October 2009 be received. CARRIED

9 SERVICE REQUEST RESPONSES

The agenda contained a copy of the service request responses relating to the Motueka area.

Mr Eddy noted that he had put through a service request for hotwater, soap and driers to be installed in public toilets and although it was marked off as completed, it actually meant it had been considered, but not proceeded with.

10 PROJECTS, ACTIVITIES, INTERESTS, REPORTS (2009 – 2012)

The agenda contained a list of Motueka Projects/Activities/Interests.
The meeting concluded at 6.50 pm.
Confirmed:
Chair: