

MINUTES

TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 9 February 2023

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Present Mr Duran Benton
Ms Linda O'Neill
Ms Rachel Cvitanovich
Cr Brian Carter
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance Ms Melanie Bovey, Manager Library Services

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1 Welcome / Prayer

2 Apologies

No apologies received.

3 Public Forum

Nil.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Declarations Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda- nil conflict of interest

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Confirmed.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/001

That the minutes of Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 1 December 2022 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - February 2023

The highland games saw fewer than usual attendees due to the weather. The chair acknowledged the support from Murray Phillips and team. The chair met with Melany Bovey and Charlie Mete from Ratana Community Committee- discussions about need for a strategic plan for Turakina, induction for committee members and communication plan in conjunction with the council to help share information including awareness of what is happening, and with input from residents. Also suggesting visiting other community committees.

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/002

That the verbal Chair's Report – February 2023 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Mayor's Report

Annual plan preparation continues, this is tricky given inflation pressures, especially pressures on the cost of roading as finding from Waka Kotahi will remain unchanged. Consultation regarding forestry harvesting differential continues. Workshops to set budgets show increases, though some councils have 12-23% rate increases and this is indicative of the rating pressures.

There are staff working on the '3 waters' framework. There will be changes in the legislation, storm water may be excluded, and co-governorship. It is no coincidence that the day the new prime minister was announce there were further announcements of the CEOs for '3 Waters'. There will be implications for rural properties that are near rural water supplies, or have the pipes running through their properties, opting out, will not be possible now. This raises questions of costs and compliance likely to fall on the individuals.

Huge numbers of local residents have been nominated for the Volunteers awards. The District Plan change still awaits a ruling.

Housing prices have dropped 12-13% Unemployment has seen small increases. Horizons lost a court case and this may be ongoing if costs are sought.

Councillor and staffing visits around the region- water plants and assets may look to invite community committee members. Koitiata lagoon has a natural path to the sea currently, but remains an ecological challenge due to earlier farm based consenting.

Ratana hope to name an interim faith leader by Easter.

HWTM has stepped down from the Bonney Glen Community Trust and another council member will attend.

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/003

That the 'Mayor's Desk - Community Volunteer Awards' be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

8.2 Small Projects Fund Update - February 2023

The remaining allocation for the small projects fund 2022/23 is \$453.40 Melanie to check if this can be rolled over. Suggestion regarding a picnic table near the new toilet. This would require an additional rubbish bin in the vicinity if so.

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/004

That the report 'Small Projects Fund Update – February 2023' be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

8.3 Funding Schemes Update - February 2023

Some schemes may change due to funding pressures

Resolved minute number 23/TCC/005

That the Funding Schemes Update – February 2023 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

Discussion Item

Committee will look to co-opt more members. Dury to talk to residents with appropriate skills. There can up to 7 members.

The meeting closed at 8.08pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turakina Community Committee held on 6 April 2023.

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Chairperson