

Bainesse/Rangiotu/Taiketahuna Community Committee

Minutes

Date: Wednesday 15th April 2026

Present: Alan Horsfall, Trevor Donaldson, Roy Taylor, Jane Taylor, Laura Easton, Clint and Rachel Malaquin, Helena Pedley, Warren Mudford, Bill Lover, Belinda Law, MDC Raewyn Loader.

Moved Laura – second Roy that Clint & Rachel become committee members.

Pass

Chairman: moved Alan – sec. Helena Trevor Donaldson Pass

Secretary: moved Trevor – sec Belinda Laura Easton Pass

Minutes: 19th November 26 moved Roy, sec. Warren true and correct. Pass

Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting: Nil

Inward:

18th March MDC Joint Forum report from Bill

- Well done, explained with positivity
- Good presentation from Halcombe on walkway and history of the area boards
- 18 communities around Feilding
- If a community is looking after an asset where does the responsibility lie with the commitment to looking after the asset.
- Potentially good for networking, 2 people could go each year to the annual meeting
- Janine is retiring after 28 years' service

Civil Defence

Hannah Tokona

- Delivered the yellow wheelie bin and gear for volunteers incl high vis vests etc
- Send an invite to attend the next meeting
- Perhaps a St Johns refresher could be run at the hall

Deceased

- Barry Bowler passed away on Friday morning

- He was the heart and soul of this community, but had resided in Wairarapa of late

Reports:

Beautification Project

- Funding \$3148.94
- Alan Horsfall – Move to allocate money for hall improvements

1. Concrete pots

- Current plants are rooting into the ground and need to be changed before they shatter the piles
- New pots to be purchased with beautification funds
- Malaquins' will get quotes for the pots

2. Front room needs painting

3. Toilet needs doing up, including lining

- Both need doing but the female toilet is in most need

Rest Area

- Thank you to Clinton and Rachel Malaquin for gifting the job of spraying and cleaning out the weeds
- To be completed on Wednesday 22nd April

MCD Report

- Assessment of the community trust grants
- Very practised on emergency procedures
- RT units put in areas including maraes
- Cut spending to keep rates down
- Previous investment had kept the rates higher, but the early spend over the last 30 years has come to an end.

Community Emergency Management

- Revise emergency plan
- Marae owns Rangiotu school
- Hannah Tokona – What is the emergency plan

- Facebook page not helpful to those who don't know how to access it
- Need to get rid of the non-functioning Facebook pages
- Events page for all community events
- Sarah Taylor might be the admin

General Business

ANZAC Day

- Service 1030 hours, advertised on the community page
- Bring a plate
- James McCelvy is coming with a wreath on behalf of the council and will read the Governor General's message

Library

- Look at a reciprocal charge for Bainesse/Rangiotu area using Palmerston North Library and charging Feilding
- Belinda Law to follow up feasibility of this proposal
- Children under 16 can join for free

Traffic

- Rangiotu road, 3-4 years there will be a new highway Between Otaki and Levin and Rangiotu Road will become much busier
- 3 intersections, Rangiotu road & Pyke road, Himatangi Block road, Main Drain road
- Need to get the council here to discuss the road
- The roading manager will visit to discuss the plan

Honours Board

Nomination from Alan Horsfall for the Taylor family for their incredible service, seconded by Clint and Rachel Malaquin

Close meeting

- Next meeting 3rd Wednesday June