

Final Minutes: Bainesse/ Rangiotu Community Committee

Date: 19/02/2025

7.00pm at the Rangiotu Hall

Present: Alan Horsefall, Helen King, Bridget Bell, Lorraine Thompson (Manager, Neighbourhood Support), Barbara Wills (Neighbourhood Support) Trevor Donaldson, Roy Taylor Jane Taylor, Warren Munford. Belinda Law.

Apologies: Alice Williamson

Minutes of the previous meeting:

No formal minutes from the previous meeting, just notes that were taken by Helen as action points for her reference. These notes were taken as minutes by the Chairperson.

Moved by: Alan.

Seconded by: Jane.

Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:

- Dates of meetings on the website; it is not clear which month the meetings are- could there be a calendar of events on the website making this clear? Helen to follow up.
- Civil Defense- need to make contact with Hannah Tokona. Hannah to visit all CC's over the next few months for training and resourcing.
- Helen confirmed current funding for the Committee via email.
- Issues catching up with James Adamson about the current community planning beautification project; will keep on trying.
- Current contracted roading things are on a list to happen in the near future- Pyke Road etc.

Correspondence:

Non mentioned directly.

Treasurer's report:

Non given, though discussed as part of project funding and hall upgrades.

Hall update:

ANZAC is forthcoming and happening in the hall. Hall committee to organize this.

General Business:

- Community Planning Project.

Need to approve at the meeting that metal can be dropped off by the approved contractor. Need 3-4 loads. Three loads have been dropped off and have been leveled.

Alan expressed concerns around a dip that also needs filling; this will be dealt with. Will all be rolled properly.

A table for the area has been chosen. Trevor and Alan did go and visit the Menzshed in Feilding, but did decide it go with a metal table, rather than timber, which is what they could provide. Metal would be hardier.

Motion (s): 1. Raymond Mead to deliver metal for spreading. 2. To purchase a single legged picnic set for installation.

Moved: Alan **Seconded:** Roy.

Both of these will be taken out of the committee's community planning project funding.

James Adamson noted that Green by Nature will set the table in the concrete, when the time comes.

In the concrete, Alan noted that he would like a compass set in the as a reference.

Insurance of the table- check with James about this; would this be added to an asset list, but there is an internal depreciation around beautification projects (Bridget). If things have been vandalized it can come back to governance and there can be a discussion around this.

Helen needs quotes to raise purchase order for all the items agreed to. Helen reminded the committee that there was a limited timeframe for this.

Next steps will be to talk to James about the next moves around the concrete and installing the table.

- Lawns and Maintenance.

Alan currently mows but needs to be a plan around someone else doing this. Want to enquire to see if council can take over this. Alan mows from the school to the marae. Helen to raise with roading.

- Working bee.

Assisted by the Donaldsons and things were given a spray to keep neat and tidy.

- Plantings on the hillside.

The ones up to the Urupa have been looking good until recently. Not sure if we can water them or not, may need to just let what survives survive. May need different plantings, such as succulents to spread over the hillside to prevent weeds- to explore.

- Alan has inherited a sound system.

This is from a recently deceased friend that can be lent out.

- Discussion around necessary hall upgrades.

Looking at the toilets to work on and will be talking to a builder about this. The small room on the left also needs some work. There is a radio in there for Civil Defense emergencies. This needs tidying up a little bit. Have \$3255 to spend here by 30th June. Would not go very far for replacing toilets etc.

Awareness that there have been some burglaries in Taikorea.

Guest Speaker (s) Neighbourhood Support- Lorraine Thompson and Barbara Wills.

- Lorraine spoke to Neighbourhood Support (NS) New Zealand and Neighbourhood Support Manawātū within the context of this. Strong national and local connections with the police.
- NS helps connect people by building local street groups, and connecting with people about pertinent things, holding community street events.
- Connects with local organisations they have synergies with. Attend community events to raise their presence.
- Run an intergenerational buddy reading project in local schools to read to the kids and be read to. Sends out a newsletter across the district to members.
- Work closely with Council Civil Defence and have an emergency skills list.
- Rural Bus update. If you know anyone who doesn't know about it, please keep them informed. Is an on demand service that needs booking.
- May look to do a letter drop and increase presence here. Possible opportunity for a community BBQ.

Trevor raised that police often don't know where to send people from if there is an incident. Lorraine noted that if NS organised a community get together police, and other people would be invited to get to know your community. Lorraine encouraged the committee to report incidents by calling 10-5.

Interest expressed in a community get together to refamiliarise people with their neighbours, and the possibility of a letterbox drop.

Manawātū District Council report: Cr Bridget Bell

Questions for Bridget:

- Impact on grave sites and pa sites around wastewater changes in Palmerston North? Needs to be a cultural impact assessment done by PNCC in collaboration Rangitane.
- The highway coming to Foxton will change vehicles and where they go; would MDC to turn the road the hall is on back into a state Highway again? (Bridget to find out)

Updates:

- Updated bylaw around Freedom Camping being passed at the council meeting on 20/02/2025. Nothing in this area will be noted as a Freedom Camping Site. You can feedback on the 'Make your Mark on Manawātū' part of the website

around this. Discussion followed around whether there should be some prohibited areas to protect beatification projects.

- Renovations have started at the council building. Use the pool building to pay rates etc., and council meetings are now at St John's.

Meeting closed: 8:32pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday 16th April