

Pohangina Valley Community Committee Minutes

Pohangina Community Committee Meeting
1st October 2020 at 7.30pm
Via Zoom

Present: L Besley, M Nettle, C Knight, Cr. P Marsh, A Walcroft, S Francis, J-A Bolton, Y Forlong, J Hawthorn, Mayor H. Worboys, J Coleman, J Graham, D O'regan, T Balmer, S Parker

1.0		Procedural Matters	Action
1.1	Apologies	M Pratt	J-A Bolton/Y Forlong Carried
1.2	Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14 Aug, 1 & 11 Sept: Stacey Eagle Re 10-year funding online and verbal application process 9 Sept: Jeff Graham, Emergency Management Officer. See 2.2 	M Nettle/Y Forlong Carried
1.3	Confirmation Previous Minutes	That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 6 th August 2020 be accepted as a true and accurate record.	L Besley/ A Walcroft
1.4	Matters Arising	Covered in Agenda items	
2.0		Items for Approval/Information	
2.1	Finance Report	<p>No change to the PVCC balance sheet excepting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - that \$500 of the Community COVID fund has been used and \$500 remains. - \$3512 excl. GST has been used thus far for the PRR new cattleyards. This is the updated amount 	Y Forlong/A Walcroft Carried
2.11	Signage Project	<p>Daniel is still working through this process and it has proved difficult getting in touch with all parties. .</p> <p>Most parties to the project have agreed and the completion will require someone to erect the signs.</p>	
2.14	Pohangina Hall Committee	<p>Recently the Council has proposed a review of all council owned community buildings. Craig Knight attended the meeting to contribute his consideration that the Pohangina Hall is vital to the community. This seemed the consensus of opinion of local attendees and residents. The hall is Emergency Disaster Centre and Voting Station amongst other uses.</p> <p>Questions raised around criteria for hall retention.</p>	

		<p>L Besley asked m Nettle and A McLachlin to liase with MDC re community data re the Hall and Library.</p> <p>Mayor Worboys to follow up re communication with council from the Hall Committee.</p> <p>The income from the Hall has not covered the insurance. Cr Marsh offered some suggestions as to how this could be rectified. J Hawthorn suggested submitting an application for funding to MDC contents insurance.</p> <p>The Hall committee needs new members as there is only a few remaining. M Nettle expressed interest in joining.</p> <p>Some further discussion was had regarding the fence around the hall and its advantages and disadvantages. No decision reached.</p>	<p>MNettle/A McLachlin</p> <p>Mayor Worboys</p>
2.2	Emergency Management	<p>Jeff Graham attended the meeting to present Emergency Centre Guide. He showed photos of the kit and its contents. There will be 2 kits distributed to the community which will be stored securely at HHCC and County Fayre.</p> <p>Jeff has offered 2 hour training on the kits which would work as a 'dumby run'. Red Cross is interested in running emergency psychology training as well.</p> <p>We need to advise Jeff when we would like training to be.</p> <p>Jeff introduced Trish From Neighbourhood Support. She would like to update the community list specifically around emergency related special skills of residents, special equipment located in the area and any health requirements of locals.</p> <p>She would like to compile a list with 2 main points of contact for maintaining updated information.</p>	
2.3	Raumai Reserve	See Cr Marsh report.	.
2.4	Pohangina Recreation Reserve	<p>Work and sponsorship progressing well.</p> <p>A working bee was held on Saturday 29 August at 8.30 am. It was supported by 30 locals and Ashhurst Pohangina Lions Club members. Leafland's Manager Ben Currie agreed to be a sponsor of the project by charging half price for</p>	

		<p>prime plants saving \$660. There were about 30 deciduous trees planted around the perimeter of the oval with teams of 3-4 working together to build protective tree surrounds, plant, fertilise & mulch. Another team planted 50 natives in the newly fenced area around one of the kahikatea stands. Others painted recycled pickets supplied by Council. This job has been continued by the Eastman Rovers Crew and at 400 + pickets is nearing completion. There will be another working bee in the next few weeks.</p> <p>M Nettle asked a sign be placed at the PRR to show it is also the carpark for the Branch Road Walkway.</p>	
2.5	Pohangina Wetlands Development	<p>D O'regan provided an update. Waiting on signoff from Council and neighbours for tree removal and new carpark.</p> <p>Recommendation that \$2400 of Community Committee funds be used for this part of the development.</p>	
2.6	PVCC Newsletter	<p>Julie Ann Bolton published another superb newsletter on 14 August. She is now canvassing for articles for the October digital edition.</p>	
2.7	Community Plan	<p>Cr Marsh congratulated L Besley and A Walcroft on their presentations on behalf of the Pohangina Recreation Reserve and the Pohangina Pool.</p> <p>10 year plan still in draft stage.</p> <p>Mayor Worboys advised that there is a review of community facilities – particularly halls. There is an opportunity to attend the Zoom Council meeting on the 12th October.</p> <p>Date for submissions for 10 year plan due for release.</p> <p>Mayor Worboys noted that the Manawatu is operating extremely well Post-COVID.</p> <p>L Besley commented on the efficiency of the process for submissions for the 10 year plan. Cr. Marsh agreed.</p> <p>Discussion around connectivity and Cr Marsh suggested that the connectivity information be put in the newsletter again.</p>	A Walcroft
2.8	Pohangina Pool	<p>A Walcroft reported that the pool is still leaking after the last repairs were undertaken. Leakage has been historically related to the surface of the pool but there could be other reasons. MDC to cover repairs but require assessment before any commitment is made.</p> <p>Cr. Marsh clarified that \$10,000 available for changing shed repairs and leakage and also</p>	Cr. Marsh

		<p>advised there is a council team that could investigate the leakage.</p> <p>Changing shed repairs nearly completed. Preparation and painting now required. A Walcroft will prompt a changing shed working bee.</p>	
3.0	Other Business	<p>Note Cr. P Marsh advised that when ringing Council with job request ask for a Job Number and then this number should be recorded in the Minutes.</p> <p>Public toilet signs completed – photo provided by M Nettle</p> <p>Culling River Access – MDC continue to mow walkway. Keys for main gate at MDC and Greg and Judy Martins property (adjacent to the walkway)</p>	
3.1	MDC Report	<p>Cr P Marsh report –</p> <p>Further updates via Matt Bayliss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rec Services will install additional rubbish bins at Raumai Reserve for the summer months. • The large entrance sign is repeatedly pushed/pulled over by undesirable users of the reserve with their vehicles. We have put through a request to Rec Services to straighten it up and make the foundation stronger. • Pool – The first year of the current LTP we did some repairs to the pool gate and provided paint to the community for the changing rooms. This year we have 10k in the budget to replace rotten weatherboards on the old school building. Some of this could possibly be allocated to pool changing room repairs. If the community are able to undertake some of the repair work themselves then we could look at providing some required materials. Other than those options there is not any other budget that is allocated to that work in this financial year. • Public toilet sign on corner of Finnis Road, in contact with roading to arrange ASAP. <p>Finally, if the committee could indicate some dates and times for a site meeting, we can discuss the wetlands along with any other queries they might have.</p>	

3.1	Walking/Cycle Track Proposal	Update in near future.	
3.2	Totara Advisory Group	Last meeting held 21 st February	
	Meeting Closed	9. 20pm	
	Next Meeting	To be held at County Fayre Thursday 3rd December 2020 at 7.30pm	

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