

COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES, RANGIWAHIA HALL: 26 May 2021, 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr Grant Hadfield, Steve and Mary Bielski, Nic Martin, Fiona Morton, Doug and Rose Brodie, Marcia Gresham, Roger McKinnon, Aly Thompson, Sarah McNenamin, Greg Clifton, Sue Jex, Hayden Williams, Kate Gee-Taylor, Andrew Morton, Nick Murphy, Anna Hayward-Smith

APOLOGIES: Janine Hawthorn, Cllr Heather Gee-Taylor, Mayor Helen Worboys, Sheldon Martin

M/S:

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes from the previous meeting of 25 February 2021 taken as read and recorded as being true and correct. Headings noted.

M/S: Greg Clifton/Nic Martin

MATTERS ARISING

1. Rangiwahia Road Plantings

Sent to Council - no feedback. Concern that the planting season is upon us and the trees need to be going in shortly for maximum benefit (growing)

2. Ngaire's hardstand and seat area

Work completed. Thanks to all. Officially opened on ANZAC Day.

3. Emergency manager officer

Geoff Graham is still to visit. Nic to follow up

4. AED box

AED box has arrived and will be installed soon.

5. Holly Trees

Marcia advised that the Holly trees near her property (2096 Kimbolton Road) were impeding vision for traffic. This matter was raised at the February meeting. There is also one on the corner of the Domain by the School memorial rock that the Community would like removed. John Jones from MDC to be advised. Nothing is recorded in the Council report that was received. Community to follow up with request for removal.

ACTION: MDC to remove Holly trees (safety)

6. Hall Sound System Mixer

Replaced at no charge by Kintech. Thanks has been expressed.

7. Grant Application updates

Security cameras completed and lodged. Favourable quote from Kintech. Outcome due before the August meeting.

Successful in label grant. Need volunteers to install. Mary to be reimbursed for postage.

M/S Doug/Nic Martin

8. Karewarewa Rd and Bowling Road

Update received in MDC report. Roads have been graded. Greg will advise Council each time Karewarewa Road requires grading as it does not hold very well. Significant concerns regarding Bowling Rd/Mangahuia Rd and the volume of logging trucks.

ACTION: Greg to monitor Karewarewa Rd

9. Rangiwahia Reserve update

Jemma Robertson has worked alongside Mary Bielski and the Rangiwahia Reserve Facebook page is ready to go. Includes an option to donate to the Reserve. Thank you to Jemma and Mary for this work. Aly Thompson advised that she was happy to share it around her networks.

10. Bridge naming

Update received in MDC report seeking more clarification. The Community is thinking that District wide it would be a good idea to name all more significant bridges by the watercourses they go over. However, please start in Rangiwahia with the bridges along Main South Rd. Also along Managamako Rd across the Kiwitea Stream. Initially, there are only four or five bridges that require naming initially. A simple identifier like the attached image is all that is required.

ACTION: MDC to install bridge name signs



CORRESPONDENCE

11. Correspondence

In (via email)

- MDC Action Report
- Draft Plan Change information
- Grading - Karewarewa Rd
- Comms - Keeping your Community in the Loop
- Annual Hall Report

Out

- Emails circulating above information

M/S: Fiona Morton/Mary Bielski

FINANCIALS

12. Financials as at 26/05

Go Account	\$	162.99
OnCall	\$	8,110.89

Includes \$3000 for the signage in the Rangiwahia Reserve.

That the Financial Report be accepted

M/S: Mary Bielski/Andrew Morton

GENERAL BUSINESS

13. Manawatu District Neighbourhood Support - Aly Thompson

Taken over from Trish Balmer. Getting around to the rural communities. Introduced herself. Communications and Marketing background. Works closely with Jeff Graham. Has a database available for use by Community for contact storage. Key projects include:

Music and Movement - Apiti Monday morning - Open to all

Intergeneration buddy reading - Apiti School - Monday morning

Rural Transport Steering Group - people interested in being part of the steering group investigating this should contact Aly.

Rural Smart Health - Caroline Lockhart - Massey University - 15 June Rangiwahia Hall

Information on the above programs has been put on the Facebook page and circulated via the email network.

14. Cameras down the quiet sideroads in district - Sharn Hainsworth

Community agree that cameras down side roads are the responsibility of the individual (or groups). Aly Thompson provided Neighbourhood Support signs for distribution to key areas.

15. Future of St Barnabas

Sarah McNenamin provided background and context to the proposal that the St Barnabas Church could/would/should be gifted to the Community. Sarah confirmed that the money in the St Barnabas Church Trust (Pemberton Trust) would remain with the Rangiwahia Church if it did become a Community Church.

Discussion was had. Some viewed the proposal favourably. Others do not. Time required to process information and pathway forwards.

ACTION: Decisions deferred until August meeting

16. Overnight usage of Hall

Discussion that if people are using the hall as a place to stay (Tour de Aotearoa) and Civil Defence purposes then there should be fire alarms installed.

ACTION: MDC to provide five x 10-year fire alarms (Fire Brigade to install)

17. Rangiwahia Bush Reserve Road signage

The location of the white sign near Mangoira Road advising that the Rangiwahia Bush Reserve is 5 kms ahead is dangerous for night time drivers. Steve Bielski advised that it has been 'checked' and has been installed correctly. The Community still considers it to be a hazard located as it is on the bend. It is also superfluous to requirements now that Google Maps directs people correctly. We would like it removed completely.

ACTION: MDC to remove white sign

18. Rubbish Collection

Roger McKinnon advised that the collection of Rubbish bags from the bulk refuse purpose built cage is inconsistent. Some weeks it is collected. Others it is not.

ACTION: MDC to consistently collect rubbish in the area

19. Traffic/Police Report

Mark was not present. Copper wire thefts remain an issue.

COUNCIL REPORT

20. Council Report

Busy time at Council. Just finished 10 year plan submissions and hearings. Community Honour nominations are due by 31 July. Conversation around Transport.

Indicative 3.7% proposed rate increase.

Alot going on at national level around the 3 Waters Program, and also the Local Government reform.

Mangaweka Bridge and the Gorge Road are progressing well.

Upcoming events:

- 15 June Rural Smart Health - Caroline Lockhart

Meeting closed: 9.15pm

Next meeting: 26 August 2021

Meeting Outcomes/Actions

1. Nic to follow up with Jeff Graham re Emergency Management
2. Steve to talk to James re interior tapware (also MDC action)
3. Mary to be reimbursed for labelling postage costs
4. Greg to monitor Karewarewa Rd

Manawatu District Council Actions

5. Interior tapware in toilets - James to talk to Steve
6. Please remove Holly Trees near 2096 Rangiwahia Rd, and corner of Domain
7. Planting Plan implementation
8. Bridge naming - we would like bridges traversing watercourses to be identified and named.
9. Signage removal - Mangoira Rd.
10. Consistent rubbish collection (particular at Bulk refuse area)
11. MDC to provide five x 10-year fire alarms (Fire Brigade to install)

Signed

Doug Brodie
Chair
26 May 2021