

Rongotea Community Committee Minutes.

Meeting was held at the Community Centre, Douglas Square, Rongotea at 7.30 Monday 3rd of May 2021.

Welcome: Chairman Lance Berry welcomed everyone to the April meeting.

Present: L Berry, H Wheeler, B Procter, A Gloyn, A Hodge, J Liverton, N Rees, C Munn, L Barlow
Also, a special welcome to Mayor Helen Worboys and Councillors Andrew Quarrie and Alison Short.

Apologies: Janine Hawthorne.

Matters Arising: An email from MDC in reply to water query from last meeting stating that the water was Laboratory tested every week. The water is also monitored every minute of the day at the treatment plant. If anything were to crop up, they would know immediately.

It is tested according to the NZ Drinking Standards. They test for bacteria, E coli and protozoa.
As above the PH and Chlorine levels are monitored constantly.

The issue that was brought to our attention last month happened in November last year. It was suggested that should there be an issue in the future please put some of the water in a jar and contact the MDC immediately.

Discussion was held on the proposed skate park and it was suggested a sub committee of 3-4 people get together to make a plan, so if you have any spare time please help. We already have 2 people interested so another couple of parents is all it would take. I will make a submission to Council in the 10 year plan which will help, we hope. If you can help, contact me on 0274432451. (Lance)

Ashley attended a Halls and Communities meeting at MDC and said it was very worthwhile and was great to hear what was happening in other Communities.

Mayor Helen said a local governance review was coming up and she wondered after the 3 waters was taken off Councils what will Councils have left.

Councillor Short circulated a draft copy of 10 year consultation document and commented that there were no new major projects coming up, there are a lot on the go at the moment.

We were asked if we would support a small rate increase to help preserve the historic shop frontages in Feilding during earthquake strengthening, we voted to support this at a cost of 57c per month as was requested.

Also, we were asked if we would support a small rate increase to support an Events and Community fund so that any community groups can apply for funding when running a local event.

We agreed to support this at a cost of 57c per month.

We requested time limited parking signs outside the cemetery as its awkward if someone left a vehicle parked there and there was a funeral - we have not seen these yet.

The road sign on the corner of Kellow and Rongotea Road is damaged- could this be repaired please.

I was asked to confirm that the funds from Keep Rongotea Beautiful were received by MDC I can now confirm that these funds have been received -Thank you.

Last but not least the cell towers that we thought we were promised have been set up in Kairanga and called Rongotea sites. It turns out this was for rural broadband for areas with no coverage. What a shame to be misled like that. I for one am not happy with this and will be pursuing the matter further.

Meeting closed 8.50pm. Next meeting Monday 7th June.