

Minutes of the Sanson Community Committee held in the Supper room at 7pm on Wednesday the 11th of March 2020.

Present;

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Apology;

Jennifer Berquist.

Minutes were read and accepted as correct. Chris/Leona.

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General Business;

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Nola complained about the sediment in the water supply and several residents present backed her up on this complaint. Andrew advised these complaints should be taken to Council and documented in these minutes.

Nola also requested that the rubbish container that was removed from outside the Sanson Club be replaced. She is constantly having to pick up rubbish outside her property next to the club.

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Del gave report on Community Hall funds. These amount to \$4400 88. Charity status was achieved in January. Security Cameras upgrade at the school, hall, swimming pool, memorial etc need upgrading and this money is to be used for this purpose. Grant is awaiting quotes for this work. Jenn Berquist is working with Del and Grant with the intention for Jenn to take over as custodian in the future.

Letter to be sent by Kristi to the Base Commander thanking him for the notice board and delivery to the Sanson Community Hall. Kristi to action.

Shona commented on the Playground and the joy it gives to her grandchild.

Denise spoke about Country Machinery moving into the old tramway shed and a Trailer Company moving into the premises previously occupied by Country Machinery.

Andrew gave the meeting an insight as to various projects that the Council is attending to. This includes work on the Council building, the footpath strategy, various projects in the outlying areas eg the dunes at Himatangi Beach

Meeting closed at 9.17 pm.