

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL WAIHI WARD COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WAIHI WARD COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER 2015 COMMENCING AT 2.30 PM

PRESENT

Crs H T Shepherd (Chairperson), P H Keall (2.30-3.35pm),
M P McLean, A A Tubman and His Worship the Mayor J P Tregidga

IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs S B Fabish (Community Services Manager), S Clark
(Parks and Reserves Manager) and Ms C Black (Council Secretary)

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

LATE ITEMS

Pursuant to Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the Chairperson called for late items to be accepted.

RESOLVED

THAT pursuant to Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the following late items be accepted for discussion.

- Lifejackets on Statues – Promoting Safer Boating Week (16 – 23 October)

The item was not on the agenda because the item was unavailable at the time of the agenda deadline.

Discussion on the item could not be delayed because the week of the boat safety campaign was commencing this week.

WWC15/55

Keall/Tubman

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations.

Waihi Awanui Cherry Blossom Festival Inc.

Mr Gordon Rogers of the Waihi Awanui Cherry Blossom Festival Inc. and Mr Sel Baker were in attendance to thank the Waihi Ward Committee for their support of the cherry tree planting projects in Waihi.

The Committee members thanked Mr Rogers for his involvement in establishing the cherry tree planting programme in Waihi and for his passion to enhance the amenity of the township for future generations.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2015 (1412711)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Waihi Ward Committee held on Tuesday 15 September 2015 are confirmed and are a true and correct record.

WWC15/56

McLean/Keall

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

International Day of the Older Person

Cr Shepherd thanked Cr Pam Keall and staff for their contribution to the success of the event.

Waihi Community Forum

Appointments of three people selected to be on the Independent Review Panel have been made.

DECISION MAKING

COMMUNITY SERVICES

COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2015 (1418469)

The Community Services monthly report on activities for the month of September 2015 was presented for the Committee's consideration.

RESOLVED

THAT the Community Services monthly report for September 2015 be received.

WWC15/57

McLean/Keall

CARRIED

Waihi Discretionary and Discretionary Social Fund

Staff provided an update on the balances of the two funds. There were no financial assistance requests this month.

SIGNIFICANT DISTRICT FUNDED PROJECTS

New Waikino Community Swing Bridge

Councils Technical Services Department are undertaking the design of the swing bridge car park for approval of NZTA.

GENERAL

Consol Street Reserve - Vandalism

The Parks and Reserves Manager advised of the increase in damage to the Consol Street Reserve caused by motor vehicles been driven on the Reserve.

Council staff has installed an electric fence tape across the front of the Reserve but because of its temporary nature it is not stopping the vehicles going on to the Reserve.

It was suggested that a more permanent solution be found such as bollards and chain or a timber fence. Staff is currently seeking options and the respective prices of these options.

Waihi – Solar Compactor Bins

Following on from the last Ward meeting where the Ward approved the placement of the solar bins, the Parks and Reserves Manager and Manco Environmental staff will be looking at the sites to place the new bins and once each site details are finalised, concrete pads will be poured for placement of the bins. It is expected that the new bins will be operational in the next 4 weeks.

It was requested to consider if a bin is needed outside the Events Centre. It was decided that bins are not required in this area, but consultation will be needed with the Event Centre Manager to confirm this.

Graffiti – Police Meeting

Recently the Parks and Reserves Manager and Councillor Keall attended a meeting at the Waihi Police Station to discuss Councils new graffiti plan and how we can jointly manage the eradication of graffiti in the town.

During these discussions the graffiti on the buildings at the Waihi A & P Association grounds was raised by the Police and it was suggested that a joint request be made to the A & P committee to remove the graffiti.

It was agreed that the Community Services Manager and Cr Tubman speak with the president of the A & P Association seeking their consideration to school students painting murals on the A & P buildings as a way of improving the amenity of the area and to help reduce the attraction for graffiti.

The Mayor suggested that as part of the development of the policy, business owners be approached to cover the cost of applying 'graffiti guard' to their buildings/fences as part of the policy with the proviso that Council would remove graffiti within 24 hours.

Waihi Pool – Opening Date

The Parks and Reserves Manager suggested that the Waihi pool opens to the public on Saturday the 21st of November 2015. The Waihi Swim Club has indicated that they wish to commence their season on the 2nd of November 2015. The pool has opened on or about the 20th of November for the last two seasons.

Pool closure, at this stage is suggested as being on the 20 March 2016.

RESOLVED

THAT the Waihi pool opening date be the 21st of November 2015.

WWC15/58

Shepherd/Keall

CARRIED

GRAFFITI MANAGEMENT PLAN (1441863, 562225, 1362356)

The Community Services Manager reported on and requested feedback on the proposed approach for the Graffiti Management Plan. A copy of the draft plan was attached.

The final draft plan will be submitted to Council for adoption.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received.

WWC15/59

McLean/Tubman

CARRIED

Cr Keall left the meeting at 3.35pm

RESOLVED

THAT the Waihi Ward Committee supports the draft Graffiti Management Plan as amended.

WWC15/60

Shepherd/McLean

CARRIED

WARD MEMBER'S MONTHLY UPDATE ON COMMUNITY GROUPS

Cr Shepherd

Raised issue with poor state of seal on the section of SH2 located at passing lane opposite Campbell Road.

The obsolete bus shelter located opposite Maybelle Dairy – youths are congregating in it causing a nuisance and requested its removal.

Netball Courts – provided an update on the construction for the netball/tennis courts Morgan Park.

LATE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

LIFEJACKETS ON STATUES – PROMOTING SAFER BOATING WEEK (16 – 23 OCTOBER) (1448354)

The Parks and Reserves Manager tabled an article requesting the support of local government to get behind Maritime NZ's campaign for 'Safer Boating Week' to highlight the importance of boat safety.

To show Hauraki's participation in the campaign, it was agreed that life jackets be placed on the statues in Seddon Street during the day and be removed at night.

RESOLVED

THAT the Ward Committee support Safer Boating Week by placing a life jacket on the statues in Seddon Street for the week of 16 – 23 October 2015.

WWC15/61

Tregidga/McLean

CARRIED

The meeting closed 4.05pm.

CONFIRMED

H T Shepherd
Chairperson

10 November 2015

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