



## Minutes for HR&RA Committee Meeting

**Meeting Date** 27 October 2019, 3.0 pm at the Community Centre.

Item No	Item	Presenter
1.	<b>Welcome:</b> Congratulations to Jeremy Lomas on being elected to Mercury Bay Community Board. Jeremy had advised he was advised to resign from HRRA. He did so by email -- Oct. Nevertheless, all public are welcome to the committee meetings, and to contribute to activities.	
1.1	<b>Apologies:</b> Paul Revell, Mark Cederman  Present: Anna Bartlett, Catherine Baloghy, Jennifer Cook, Alastair Sims, Dianne Simson, Bill Stead  <b>Guests:</b> Jeremy Lomas and Jake Lomas	
1.2	<b>Public forum:</b> Jake Lomas requesting on behalf of himself and others for beginners skate park equipment, possibly to be placed somewhere in Kotare Reserve, fits within purposed in draft plan of Reserves management Plan (Anna Bartlett). Whitianga skate park soon to be upgraded and hope some of that equipment could be used. Committee supported the idea. <b>Anna to liaise with Sue Costello.</b>	
1.3	<b>Review Minutes</b> no September meeting; review August minutes.  <b>Matters Arising:</b> evident need for more diligent input to get some stuff done. Subcommittees or working groups?  <b>Fishing notices:</b> Action taken by Anna – MPI sent the relevant information to the relevant email address and awaiting response. According the the helpful person on the end of the phone it should not be too difficult to install a sign if the TCDC approves. (Related correspondence to me, was a conversation about the dwindling crayfish numbers and the possible appetite for an extension of the marine Reserve and possible Rahui on Crayfish inside Mahurangi Island, i.e the reef, and along below the Pa. Not sure if this is our job but it is of interest .	
1.4	<b>Correspondence:</b> Inwards: Stephen Holehouse re wastewater and sewage plant operation.  Secretary of Bruce Hinson letter re wastewater.	

	<p>G. Harsant letter re signs. – going to allow erection of sign for Lees Road carpark on his property.</p> <p>Helen Vivian re marine parks.</p> <p>Outwards: forwarded Bruce Hinson letter re Hahei Wastewater treatment plant to committee and Stephen Holehouse.</p> <p>Anna to MPI.</p>	
1.5	<p><b>Financial Report</b></p> <p>to 31/08/19</p> <p>Cheque acct \$4797.90 Term Deposit \$ 14852.53</p> <p>Total \$ 19650.43 Paid up members 238</p> <p>to 30/09/19</p> <p>Cheque acct \$4087.90 Paid Gilbert's campaign costs Term Deposit \$ 14852.53</p> <p>Total \$ 18940.43 Paid up members 240.</p> <p>On Oct 9th we renewed term deposit of \$ 15094.54 for 6 months at 2.8%. We gained \$242.01 interest for the previous 6 months. In early October Paul sent out the accounts for the Community Noticeboard. These funds should dribble in over the next couple of months.</p>	Paul Revell
2	<p><b>Working Group Updates:</b></p> <p><b>Water Quality:</b> Anna &amp; Jennifer attended Community Board Meeting; response from Bruce Hinson.</p> <p>Explanation of failures by Stephen Holehouse.</p> <p><b>Traffic Management:</b> Bollards consultation? Where was it? Dianne had not received a response from Ross Ashby in spite of several requests.</p> <p><b>Paid parking in Hahei:</b> Anecdotally Ross Ashby (regional manager Operations, reports to Bruce Hinson Operations Manager) has said they still plan to have Hahei Beachfront and Hahei Visitor carpark Paid Parking. Anna personally oppose this and feel timed parking should be</p>	

	<p>sufficient. I feel we need to take a stand on this as a committee because we do not need this kind of restrictions all-year-round in Hahei. We have no information that any of the money from Hotwater Beach is going back in to the Community and it is believable that TCDC plan to use Hahei and Hotwater Beach as cash cows to fund other projects in the TCDC. While that may make sense to some, it is not just the tourists and domestic tourists who will be paying, it will be all of us. Having read extensively the responses to the traffic management bylaw it is not a popular option for a lot of Hahei.</p> <p>Gilbert Bannan is awaiting information regarding money from paid carpark at the top of Grange Road.</p> <p><b>Campervan signs:</b> Communications with DoC, bylaws officer, &amp; Sue Costello; TCDC cannot erect signs on DoC property. Anna has requested timeline on that, and whether signs at entry to Hahei are affected by that.</p> <p><b>Footpath Hahei Beach Road</b> from village entry carpark to Pa road: timeline: Failure to put this on TIF expenditure for 2019. It has now been put off till 2020. Jeremy Lomas offered to write to CEO.</p> <p><b>Visitor carpark</b> at Hahei entrance will be sealed in November and gate fitted and it will be opened. – Anna Bartlett.</p>	
3	<p><b>General:</b></p> <p><b>Local elections;</b> outcome for Hahei and ‘east side of Whitianga River’: Jeremy Lomas elected to Community Board; congratulations to Jeremy, condolences to Gilbert Bannan who also made a strong presentation for the community board membership, had the support of HRRA, but was unfortunately unsuccessful.</p> <p><b>Kotare Reserve developments:</b> Ross Ashby Email. Footpaths going into Kotare Domain has begun. Archways made of timber and CNC router cut corten steel have also been installed and are gaining a lot of attention, some good some bad. They were not on the plans and were inserted without any consultation of ratepayers or the public. Anna has written to Ross Ashby and also copied in Bruce Hinson about it. Also phoned Sue Costello who is in charge of Parks and Reserves, who said she has nothing to do with it as it comes from TIF funding. As Anna’s letter suggests it undermines confidence in the processes council use to inform the public of their activities. Anna has requested in a RFS to receive all plans, designs, timelines, ideas, possibilities so that we can correctly communicate.</p> <p><b>Reserves Management Plans:</b> Ours has not come out yet but we really need to think about this one as it could possibly affect us all in relation to number of concessions/activities allowed on our beaches and reserves. Anna has put in a Request for Service to receive the Draft</p>	

	<p>RMP as soon as it is available.</p> <p><b>Community Resilience Plans:</b> Are they happening?</p> <p><b>Website:</b> update, meeting minutes on menu so easy to find, committee members easy to find – comments from public. Old website archived?</p> <p><b>Newsletter:</b> Action needed. Jennifer to do.</p> <p><b>Coastal Walkway</b> development: Anything happening there? Mercury Bay Business Association is lobbying Merc Bay Community Board for use of TIF funds to extend walkway, to generate more entertainment for shoulder season visitors to Whitianga.</p> <p><b>Community Party:</b> Jeremy Lomas mooted possibility of community-wide social event. Support for this from Di Simson. Discussion around existing equivalent events; Friday night drinks first Friday of the month at community hall, and fire brigade event pre-christmas. Further discussion pending.</p> <p><b>Community Plan:</b> Bill Stead – has anything happened? What's the position? Jeremy to inquire.</p> <p><b>Meeting closed:</b> 5.0 pm</p>	
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