Hahei Residents and Ratepayers Inc

Minutes of the June meeting

Location: Hahei Community Centre

Date: 28 Jun 2020

Time: 3:00 pm
Facilitator: The Chair

Attendees

Cathie Baloghy (Chair), Penne Clayton (Sec), Paul Revell (Treasurer), Jennifer Cook, Mark Cederman, Anna Bartlett, Diane Simson (Via Mobile)

Guests: Jeremy Lomas and Howard Ashworth

Apologies

Bill Stead

Previous Minutes

Taken as read. Moved P Clayton | Seconded P Revell - Carried.

Matters Arising

- 1. Hahei beachfront reserve \$50,000 has been allocated by Council for consultant draft plans for this area as a community we will be able to consult on these plans. Iwi also need to be involved/consulted on these plans and have said they would prefer less parking.
- 2. WiFi Library Chair and Hall Chairs both emailed. Library chair has responded to say he will bring up at next Library committee meeting. No reply yet from hall Committee.
- 3. \$1,500 has been paid to Country Kids for the car seat donation
- 4. Hall booked for AGM, 10am on the Saturday of Labour Weekend
- 5. Letter written to Jeremy Lomas he will ensure we get a copy of the compliance report for the wastewater plan from Veolia once the community Board receive it.

Moved P Clayton | Seconded A Bartlett

Inwards Correspondence

- Watercare Labs results
- Mercury Bay Mussel Spat Farm Appeal
- A&S Jacobs Thankyou
- Len Salt Invitation to Council Meeting
- Federation of RPA's AGM notification
- Whitianga RPA Newsletter
- Len Salt Whitianga Water Update
- Heather Bruce Acknowledgement of submission
- Email from Jeremy Lomas
- Email from Mayor to B Stead thanking him for his work during the Covid Lockdown

Outwards Correspondence

- Email to Allan Tiplady asking for a copy of the spreadsheet of revenue and operational costs from the Cathedral Cove Carpark (Grange Road)
- Submission to Community Plan
- Email to Jeremy Lomas
- Email to Library and Community Hall Chairs about WiFi

Financials

\$7,711.79 - Cheque Account

\$15,306.44 Term Investment

\$23,018.23 Total position

\$1,500 paid to Country Kids for donation of 3 car seats on behalf of the Hahei community

Moved P Revell | Seconded C Baloghy - Carried

Membership

204 paid up members.

General Business

The Chair provided feedback on the following meetings attended:

- 1. Meeting with Jeremy Lomas from Community Board
- 2. Meeting of the Chairs of the Mercury Bay South Residents & Ratepayers Associations
- 3. Meeting with Allan Tiplady & Heather Bruce from Council

Meeting outcomes as follows:

Green Waste Facility

Council are unable to provide/find an appropriate location for a green waste facility for Mercury Bay South. This was discussed at length by the committee with the following outcomes:

- Ascertain community appetite for a green waste dump in not just Hahei but Cooks Beach and Hot Water Beach. Action Penne
- Council is researching what the resource consent requirements are and Jeremy will supply more details when to hand. Action Jeremy
- Raglan has a good example of a community based green waste facility. Action Penne find out more.
- The committee saw that there were probably two options a council run scheme or a privately run scheme. Prior discussions with landscape/arborists in Hahei suggest it's not viable in small volumes.

Blowhole Walkway

Council have no intention of proceeding with this venture. The Lotteries Commission funding for this is on hold and Council are applying to the Commission to transfer the funding to the Stella Evered Walkway which is about to start.

Cathedral Cove Carpark (Grange Road)

Council has been asked to supply the committee with a breakdown of operational costs and revenues from the carpark. We have been reassured that once the debt has been repaid (probably 6 years) the proceeds of the revenue would be available for local projects.

Newtons Bridge (Dalmeny Corner one-lane bridge)

This bridge is Council's responsibility (because its off the State Highway), it will not be replaced in the foreseeable future.

Sewage and water reticulation

Jeremy advised that the feasibility study for Hahei will be available soon. However, some Council staff believe it should include Hot Water Beach as they have the same stream pollution/leaching issues as Hahei.

Newsletter:

- Do Hahei residents want reticulated sewage/water
- Septic tank cleaning offer
- Discuss regular septic tank COFs/Servicing

Action Penne, Contact Bob's takeaways and see if he will do a special offer again, research COF for septic tanks.

Reticulated sewage and water are not going to happen in the short term and will be costly per property. The committee believe that priorities should be properties adjoining Wigmore and Tutaritari Streams to reduce pollution, and the low-lying properties in Dawn Avenue.

Action Jeremy. We need to be kept abreast of Councils future plans in this area please.

Clearing the sand blocking the Wigmore Estuary

In the past this was actioned by an email or phone call to Council with a Request for Service. We have been advised by Donovan's that they now need to take a photograph of the estuary blockage before Council will approve its clearing. Action Cathie, obtain details of the process from Council.

Parking at Cathedral Cove for locals in the winter

Anna asked for Council to consider permits for residents and ratepayers for 4 hours free parking at the Cathedral Cove (Grange Road) Carpark over the winter months. With an undertaking that locals will take the bus when its running.

A precedent has been set in Hot Water beach for locals, so the process should already in place.

Action Anna and Jennifer to put together a letter for Jeremy to present at the Community Board meeting this Wednesday (1st July).

Reserves Management Planning

There will be two drop-in sessions on Friday 3rd July in Whitianga:

- Lunch time drop-in session: 11.00am until 12:30pm
- Afternoon drop-in session: 4.00pm until 5:30pm

RSVP's to emma.wrightmchardie@tcdc.govt.nz or by phone on 021 035 7573. Will be held at the Mercury Bay Community Board room at Council offices unless numbers attending indicate otherwise.

Social: Penne to put information about the meetings on Hello Hahei and the RRA Facebook site.

Action Penne: Maildrop to affected beachfront properties, to be aware of meeting.

Concessions

An important aspect of the RMP is concessions, committee and residents to think about what they want going forward. Newsletter item.

Mercury Bay Mussel Spat Farm

The committee have no position and will go out to the community via the newsletter to advise them of the mussel spat farm and provide information for their review. Action Penne: reply to Mercury Bay Mussel Spat farm appeal. Newsletter item.

Beach Camera

It was suggested that part of our website should be a sea/beach conditions webcam, so our non-residents and bach-owners who aren't close to the beach can see the conditions should they want to go boating or fishing.

Potentially placed at the holiday park overlooking the boat launching area.

Action Penne: Community to be canvassed via social media and newsletter