



Ōtorohanga Community Board

MINUTES

THURSDAY 8 APRIL 2021

4PM

ŌTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD

8 APRIL 2021

Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Ōtorohanga Community Board held at St. David's Community Hall, Cnr Ranfurly and Turongo Street Ōtorohanga on Thursday 8 April 2021 commencing at 4pm.

Tanya Winter
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

MINUTES

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PRESENT

Mr. N Gadd (Chair), Crs. Rodney Dow & C. Christison, Board Members Mrs. K Brown-Merrin, Mr. P Coventry, Mr. A Buckman

IN ATTENDANCE

His Worship the Mayor, MM Baxter, Ms. Tanya Winter (Chief Executive), Messrs. R Brady (Group Manager Engineering), J le Fleming (Community Facilities Manager) and CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor).

The Chair declared the meeting open and welcomed members to the first meeting of the Board for 2021.

APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Chair asked members whether they had any Declarations of conflicts of interest.

No Declarations of conflicts of interests were received.

PUBLIC FORUM

Ms. Cait Cresswell (Regional Activity Coordinator West Region) for Sport Waikato introduced herself to members and summarised her role with Council.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 2 DECEMBER 2020

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of the Ōtorohanga Community Board held on 2 December 2020, as circulated, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

MR. COVENTRY / MRS. BROWN-MERRIN

ITEM 61 ŌTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD 2021 MEETING DATES

The Governance Supervisor summarised his report on amending the Boards 2021 Calendar year meeting dates to the first Thursday of each month.

Resolved that the amended dates presented below for meetings of the Ōtorohanga Community Board covering the 2021 calendar year be adopted:

THURSDAY

- 8 April 2021 (2nd Thursday)
- 6 May 2021 (1st Thursday)
- 3 June 2021 (1st Thursday)
- 1 July 2021 (1st Thursday)
- 5 August 2021 (1st Thursday)
- 2 September 2021 (1st Thursday)
- 7 October 2021 (1st Thursday)
- 4 November 2021 (1st Thursday)
- 2 December 2021 (1st Thursday)

COUNCILLOR CHRISTISON / MRS BROWN-MERRIN

ITEM 62 CONFIRMATION OF ROAD NAME

The Group Manager Engineering extended an apology from the Group Manager Environment who is unable to attend today's meeting.

The Group Manager Engineering referred members to his report advising that a road name is required for the private right of way off Orahiri Terrace that will service a new subdivision accommodating eight dwellings. He summarised the content of the report and invited the Board members discuss the proposal.

Resolved that the Group Manager Environment's report be received and that it be recommended to the Ōtorohanga District Council the approval of the road name 'Wood Lane' for a private right of way shown as Lot 8 on Land Transfer Plan LT 527557 and located on the northern side of Orahiri Terrace, Ōtorohanga.

MR. COVENTRY / COUNCILLOR DOW

ITEM 63 INSTALLATION OF DECORATIVE LIGHTING IN THE ŌTOROHANGA MAIN STREET

The Group Manager Engineering summarised his report advising that the Board may wish to replace the decorative LED lighting which was wrapped around the street light posts in the Ōtorohanga Town Centre along Maniapoto Street.

He asked members whether they had any questions on the proposal.

During discussion the following points were raised:

- a) To ensure the proposal is not replicated in the proposed upgrade of the town centre.
- b) That the lighting could be relocated and repurposed.
- c) Only replacing existing lighting.

Resolved that the Group Manager Engineering report be received and that the Ōtorohanga Community Board allocate funding up to an amount of \$25,000 from the Ōtorohanga General Reserve Fund for the replacement of the decorative lighting around the street light posts in the Ōtorohanga Town Centre.

COUNCILLOR CHRISTISON / MRS BROWN-MERRIN

BOARD MEMBER UPDATE

COUNCILLOR DOW

- Attended LTP Workshops.
- Visited Nelson and was impressed with the provision of hammocks for use by the public.
- Attended a Waikato Regional Council Road to Zero presentation.
- Expressing some concern that there are no big areas around the Community or large spaces for businesses to expand into.

MRS BROWN- MERRIN

- Attended an Ambassador programme presented by Hamilton and Waikato Tourism held recently at the Ōtorohanga Kiwi House.
- Several people contacted her regarding the Gambling Policy Review.
- Submitted two presentations to the Community Board Awards being held in Gore.

The Chair on behalf of Board Members thanked Mrs. Brown-Merrin for her efforts in submitting these presentations.

MR COVENTRY

- Has also been approached re the Gambling Policy Review.
- Thrive Programme – support from Ōtorohanga College and every School (that's intermediate) in the District.

- MIQ – A Jackson Willison will be starting at the end of June 2021.

MR. BUCKMAN

- Advising that the Community is full of Maori History, however, most people don't know much about it. It is an important part of our History and will be a hurdle for the Board going forward.
- Highlighted a natural significant spot of beauty within the Wharepūhanga Ward – suggested contact be made with the Council representative for this Ward to explore the possibility of creating a reserve there.
- Through the LTP process people have indicated that they are wanting more history of the District recorded. A small amount of funding has been included to look into this matter.

MRS. CHRISTISON

- No matters to be reported.

CHAIR

- Fantastic to see what is happening around the Town – Harpers Avenue Subdivision, Dairy Factory, Ōtorohanga Kiwi House, Maniapoto Street, a number of new businesses taking over old buildings.
- Shortage of industrial and commercial land.

COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER

- The Community Services Officer reported that the new roof on the former Ōtorohanga Girl Guide Hall is nearing completion and that a local builder is completing various maintenance issues.
- The building will then receive a full repaint.

MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 4.35pm.

SIGNED: _____

DATED: _____