

# Hahei Residents and Ratepayers Assoc.

## Minutes of the November 2023 meeting

Location: Zoom  
Date: 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Time: 4:00 pm  
Chair: J Jonassen

### Attendees

John Jonassen (Chair), Brett Harries (Vice Chair), Paul Revell (Treasurer), Penne Clayton, Jenny Goldsworthy, Bill Stead, Ray Van Beynen, Maggie Beattie

### Apologies

Di Simson (Secretary)  
Maarten Bangma

### Previous Minutes

The previous minutes were circulated and ratified at this meeting:

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### Matters Arising

Nil

### Correspondence In

- a. Deli Connell details on generator grants
- b. Angeline Yang WRC on clarification of marine reserve boundary
- c. Andrew Watson reference fireworks
- d. NZTA roading updates
- e. Watercare Lab receipts and results
- f. NZ Government acknowledging Hauraki Gulf Submission
- g. TCDC copy of approved Beach Access Sign
- h. Copy of letter Ray Van Beynen sent to the Minister regarding Cathedral Cove

### Correspondence Out

- a. Email to Waikato Regional Council on conflicting Marine Reserve boundary information
- b. Response to Andrew Watson regarding fireworks
- c. Letter to NZ Government regarding Hauraki Gulf Submission

Moved: J Jonassen/P Clayton

### **Financial Report**

Paul presented the Financials as of 26 November 2023 as follows:

- a. Cheque Account: \$18,871.53
- b. Term Account \$16,535.91
- c. Total: \$35,407.44

The total amount includes \$9645.00 which has been donated for the generator.

### **Membership**

There are currently 226 members of the HRRRA.

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### **Portfolio Reports**

Nil

### **General Business**

#### **Generator**

Jen and Paul attended the Hahei Community Response Group Meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The intention was to discuss options around a Community Response Resilience Kit and whether there were any synergies with HRRRA around the purchase of the generator. Attendees were from TCDC, Hahei Fire Brigade and HRRRA.

Jen provided an overview of the discussions that occurred at the meeting as follows:

- a. TCDC is allowing approx. \$5k per community, this typically includes a Honda 2.2kW generator, battery pack for charging electronic devices, portable lighting etc. No allowance is made for ongoing maintenance or support for Hahei.
- b. Powerco are currently doing an assessment for power resilience in remote communities.  
remote communities.

ACTION: TCDC will confirm when this assessment will be done and what Powerco are proposing.

- c. Colville and Pauanui communities applied to MPI directly for funding for generators and the funding was approved.

ACTION: TCDC to confirm what was applied for (ideally a copy of the application) and what equipment was supplied/paid for by MPI.

- d. HRRRA has been considering a few different generators. The Honda generator that was considered was a EU70is (7kVA generator). The pricing we have to date is approximately \$8600.

ACTION: TCDC to confirm if they can get better pricing based on their current purchasing of many Honda generators.

- e. TCDC is typically providing the equipment rather than funding.

ACTION: TCDC to confirm whether the HRRRA can add funding to the TCDC funds to increase the size of the generator. We currently have \$9600 and have priced the housing and electrical installation to between \$7-8k.

- f. Hahei Volunteer Fire Service is also looking at a generator.

ACTION: BJ to confirm the current design and timing of this installation - is there an opportunity to work together or are the timeframes not aligned?

- g. TCDC already have a maintenance plan for other Honda generators on the peninsula, the HRRRA may be able to use this resource to avoid additional travel costs, however the maintenance costs would still be charged to the Hahei community.
- h. Pam stressed the importance of a portable generator, depending on where damage has been done, we need to be able to move the generator to a safe location. HRRRA is still considering a small 7kVA portable generator vs a fixed larger diesel generator.

ACTION: Jen to confirm with HRRRA which option they are going with.

Discussion occurred around Jen's notes, and it was agreed that HRRRA would proceed in moving forward with purchasing our own generator that could be re-located to higher ground if needed. Jen would request to attend the Hahei Community Hall meeting to discuss the housing of the generator.

### **Long Term Plan (LTP)**

Bill discussed the submission for the LTP and asked the committee to discuss what they considered a priority for the area prior to submitting to TCDC on the LTP (refer to document July 23 'projects that Hahei community need to have happen' as circulated by BS). It was agreed that the focus should be on:

- a. Walkable Village
- b. Putting in speed restricting 'bumps' and reduce speed limits in the village.
- c. Upgrade beach front parking area for pedestrian amenity and safety
- d. Upgrade of Snake Gully]
- e. Replacement or work on Newtons Bridge to lift above the flood level *and to two lanes.*
- f. Water & wastewater
- g. Reserves

The Hot Water Beach *Road* repairs should be a priority.

### **Power Boxes**

Penne provided an overview of the information she had received regarding wrapping the Genesis power boxes. She has contacted Logan Rourke regarding a costing for the wrapping. Penne will pass the information onto Maarten.

### **Cathedral Cove**

Ray provided feedback that he had received in relation to a meeting that was facilitated by the Department of Conservation (DOC) on Friday the 24 November 2023. Attendees were representatives from DOC, TCDC, Ngāti Hei, Landowners and selected business owners. Ray requested to attend the meeting; his request was declined. The feedback that Ray had received from the meeting is as follows:

- a. DOC will make a public announcement to coincide with the road (25A) opening on the 20 December 2023.
- b. Cathedral Walkway will not open this summer and could be closed for 2/3 years.
- c. DOC intend to open two viewing platforms, one at the Grange Road end and one above the Cove to be accessed via adjacent farmland.
- d. DOC intend to employ guardians at the Grange Road carpark and Pa Hill track entrance to provide visitors with an understanding of the Cove is closed and provide detail on the cultural, natural and conservation significance of the Cove and the Marine Reserve.
- e. There will be a shuttle service operating from the General Store area to Grange Road Car Park.
- f. Grange Road carpark will be signposted 'residents only'.

- g. The track will remain closed between Grange Road and the entry from Ian Carters property.
- h. Access to the Cove will be via the beach only and the toilets at the Cove will not be re-instated.
- i. DOC and Ngāti Hei want to put in place a method of restricting numbers going to the Cove.
- j. DOC intend to have further meetings with groups of impacted stakeholders.

Ray provided an overview of the history in relation to the Deed of Gift of the land leading to the Cove from the Harsant family to Hahei. Discussion occurred around change of government and support for a lobby group to visit Wellington and meet with the Conservation, Tourism & Local Government Ministers.

### **Defibrillators**

There are two community defibrillators in Hahei and Penne advised that they required new batteries. She requested that the committee approve the purchase of 2 batteries at a cost of approximately \$480.00 a battery. All agreed to the purchase.

Moved: P Clayton/P Revell

### **Meetings**

It was agreed that future meetings would be bi-monthly at 4pm on the last Sunday of the month commencing in 2024. The first meeting for 2024 will be held on Sunday 28 January 2024 at 4pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 5:10 pm