

Hahei Residents and Ratepayers Assoc.

Minutes of the March 2024 meeting

Location: Hahei Community Hall
Date: 31st March 2024
Time: 3:00 pm
Chair: J Jonassen

Attendees

John Jonassen (Chair), Brett Harries (Vice Chair), Dianne Simson (Secretary), Paul Revell (Treasurer), Maggie Beattie, Ray van Beynen (part), Maarten Bangma, Jen Goldsworthy, Penne Clayton

Guests

Anne Donovan

Apologies

Previous Minutes

Circulated and ratified at this meeting.

Matters Arising

Discussion took place regarding the uploading of the minutes to the website. Penne will liaise with Alastair to see if he still has interest in overseeing and updating the website. In the mean time Penne will link the minutes to the newsletter.

Moved: J Jonassen/ Second: P Revell

Inwards Correspondence

- a. NZTA roading updates
- b. Watercare results and receipts
- c. Heather Bruce to Brett Harries advising that she has passed the query on beach signage onto the Parks and Open Spaces Department
- d. Kay Harrison advising updated information regarding the Memorial Garden pages on the HRRRA website
- e. Library and Community Centre acknowledging our request for possible donations to the Village Green toilet screens and planting

- f. Bill Stead Resignation
- g. Copies of correspondence from Ray van Beynen on his communication with various agencies regarding the closure of Cathedral Cove.

Outwards Correspondence

- a. Brett Harries to Heather Bruce on the new Snorkel tour concession, and on their use of advertising on the beach
- b. HRRRA (Brett Harries) submission on the Draft Waikato regional Land Transport Plan 2024-2025
- c. Penne Clayton to the Library and Community Centre regarding possible donations to the planting and screening of the Village Green toilets

Brett advised that he has not had a further response from TCDC regarding beach signage but notes that the signs are no longer on the beach.

Moved: P Clayton/ Second: J Jonassen

Financials

\$15,484.88 – Cheque Account

\$16,535.91 - Term Investment

\$32,020.79 - Total position

The term deposit is about to mature, and the committee agreed to roll over for another 6 months.

Discussion took place on the invoice the committee has received for the building and installing of the planter and screening fence for the Village Green toilets. The committee is very pleased with the quality of the work although the overall cost was more than we expected. John and Penne advised that we have received financial contributions from various community groups and are hopeful of further donations.

The committee approved the payment of the invoice.

Moved: J Jonassen /Second: P Clayton

Membership

5 paid up members (noted that subs are now due)

General Business

1. The committee accepted Bill Stead's resignation. The committee acknowledged the immense amount of work that Bill has done on behalf of the community and the HRRRA. Noted in

particular was his work on the LTP, water and waste water issues, developing the website, and as Chair. Penne will acknowledge Bill and his contribution in the next newsletter.

2. LTP. Discussion took place on our submission to the LTP. The committee agreed that the main issues for our community include preserving our unique coastal village character, wastewater infrastructure, safe drinking water, and roading resilience. Penne will prepare a draft and send out for committee members for review.
3. Cathedral Cove. Ray updated the committee on the Cathedral Cove situation and on the meetings and discussions that he and John have had to try and resolve the issue. While various meetings have been held with stakeholders, with Iwi, with DOC, with consultants (engineers), and others, it is by no means certain that the track will reopen this year. It was noted that there are many outs in the minister's statement. John has emailed Henry Weston, DOC Deputy Director- General Regional Operations, reiterating that the community must be represented as part of the team (along with DOC, Ngati Hei and consultants) in identifying and developing the options to reinstate the Cathedral Cove tracks. A possible community meeting will be held on April 18th. Penne will include an update in the latest newsletter.
4. Generator. Jen has spoken to Geoff Hick regarding the housing of the generator. Jen will provide the dimensions and specifications, for Geoff to provide a quote, and will cc John in all correspondence. Once we have the final plan we will submit to council for approval.
5. Emergency Response. Paul presented the new community emergency response kit. There are 4 large and 10 small Civil Defence districts throughout the TCDC jurisdiction. We have a small centre based at the community hall. It was decided to store this kit in a commando box at the fire station. A second commando box will store emergency items related to the generator. Both boxes will have combination locks on them. A number of committee and community members will know the combination code. Maggie will copy the information and place in both boxes. Penne will purchase the boxes and locks.
6. Powerboxes. Maarten advised that there are 8 powerboxes throughout the village. He is currently awaiting a response from Powerco to get approval to proceed. He will approach both Shaun Jackson and Logan Rooke for design ideas.
7. Anzac Day. Maggie gave a detailed update on preparations for Anzac Day and advised all in hand. This year the focus is on contributions to our war and peacekeeping efforts post WWII. Maggie provided an update on the plan to install a permanent memorial and flagpole. It is the intention to have the flagpole in place for Anzac Day 2025. The memorial wall and flagpole to be sympathetic to the current memorial garden design. Maggie will present the cost for the flagpole to the HRRRA noting that Geoff Hick will do a cost price, BJ will build free of cost, John and Tina North will donate the flagpole and the Memorial Garden will provide a donation.

8. Website. Discussion took place on the difficulties of keeping the site up to date, and finding someone to be responsible for doing so.
9. Coromandel Peninsula Residents and Ratepayers Association Alliance. John updated the committee on this alliance and their goal to encourage devolution of decisions to local communities.
10. Harsant Ave beach access signage. The signage seems to have been very successful in discouraging vehicles onto the beach. It was also noted that the number of amphibious boats have increased significantly leading to less tractors at the Pa end of the beach.

Meeting closed at 5 pm