

MINUTES OF THE PUHOI FORUM COMMUNITY MEETING

HELD AT PUHOI SPORTS CLUB ON Tuesday, June 25th 2019 commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Dustyn O’Leary, Paul Manton (Co-chairs), Jenny Schollum (Treasurer) Beth Houlbrooke, Tess Berger (Rodney Ward reps), Sandra Beagley, Gavin Donaldson, Brian and Sheryll Titford, Greg Taylor, Trevor Payle, Paul and Alison Batchelor, Laszlo Katona, Sean and Maya Kelly, Olive-Ann den Hevtog, duane Gardner, James Clement, Derek and Ros Broadmore, Jenny Neal, Mike Swain, Alan Chellp, Samuel Chellp, Pauline Chug, Shane Tee, Michael Connor.

Apologies: Terri Ryder

Welcome

Paul Manton addresses meeting and invites greater participation even for non members.

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING held 28 May, 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 May, 2019 have been previously circulated.

Matters arising from those minutes: Minutes state that the Heritage Museum has taken on maintenance of tennis pavilion. This is not correct and the maintenance of the tennis pavilion will be part of PPMP.

Motion 1

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Dustyn O’Leary
Seconded: Gavin Donaldson
Carried

2. TREASURER’S REPORT for May 2019.

Expenses: \$600 for 4 picnic tables from Puhoi Market, now placed along River Park Walkway.

Income: 1 sub \$10

Interest: .72c

Accounts for Payment: \$404.80 for 200 pamphlets supporting membership drive for Forum.

Motion 2

THAT the Treasurer’s report for the month of May, 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Judith Williams
Seconded: Dustyn O’Leary
Carried

No incoming correspondence.

Rodney Ward representatives Beth Houlbrooke and Tess Berger provide local update:

(i) Roothing

- Sealing extension of Krippner Rd by Grant Road between Sept and Dec, funded by forestry rate, negotiated with AT at service Level 2.
- Ahuroa road sealing see attached report from Beth Houlbrooke. Greg Sayers is a contact point for this project. Still in design phase, which is due for completion in 2020. Stage II consists of 5 km starting from West Coast Rd and will be completed first.
- Road maintenance - Log maintenance requests with AT not attended to, forward case reference number to Ward reps by email. Use the council 0800 number to report issues, report as individuals and groups. Multiple reports are stressed as necessary to bring issues to attention to AT and flag road as needing attention.
- Puhoi will be involved in second tranche of speed reductions coming out next year. Govt initiative for road safety, barriers, speed reviews.

(ii) River Park Thanks to volunteers for maintenance done on trail, weed control on riverbank and removal of yards. Park furniture has been renewed and the picket fence around band rotunda on list for repair and maintenance. Trail maintenance requested on Puhoi Loop track still being worked on.

(iii) Public Transport still being discussed, issue being no suitable pull in for buses headed south. With motorway construction it may be possible to address the issue of a suitable pull in for buses equal to the south bound toll byway. Extending Waiwera Service suggested and taken on board to propose to AT.

(iv) Road Safety issues in village continue to be addressed. In July traffic calming measures consisting of red carpeting and road signage to be installed. Chair suggests second red carpet closer to village if set locations cannot be altered by AT. Gavin Donaldson suggests moving speed signs if these are the AT parameters.

- Interactive speed sign not going ahead.
- School speeds being addressed across Rodney with emphasis on raising awareness rather than enforcement.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Working Groups Updates

Puhoi Pioneers Memorial park

- Historic oak on riverbank stress, river bank erosion and movement of piling on the wharfs have been photographed and need to be addressed. To be actioned by Chair.
- Park Planting update - Kevin Jones Sorrel to remind no cows. July 7 8-12pm confirmed
- Community garden plan draft circulated. Horse boxes questioned - could be moved further back. Pugging up of ground by horse traffic mentioned. Area for petanque or boule could be set aside. Operational funding could be used for planning and execution and we can apply for further funding. Options to relocate pavilion, and suggestions for water tank or water from borePlan to be circulated for general comment from community.
- Pest Control - Movement by council to spend \$20 million on pest control. Cullers to control deer, goats, pigs, but not possums stoats rats mice. Covenanted bush is the responsibility of land owner. Waiwera Valley Association notes the council will supply Forest Bridge groups with pest control. Goat cullers shot only 152 goats in 2 months, highlighted that the constant ongoing culling by residents is having results. Reminder that property rights must be respected and that the problem is people releasing pigs into the bush.

(v) Road safety group - see above

- (vi) Civil defence - Civil Defence meeting in Hall at Puhoi on Sunday, 11 August to collate groups to address Civil Defence concerns - the Auckland Emergency Response Team will be present at this meeting.
- (vii) Library - Library hours now open 6 days a week. Tue- Sun extended hours.
- (viii) Heritage Society - Heritage team doing a seismic study on library. Our activity this month has mostly been planning for Anniversary weekend on 29&30th June. there is a full house for luncheon on 29th June. We could do with help setting up tables and other preparation on Thursday at 2.00pm and with dishes around 1.00 Saturday. We are hoping for good community support for the dance with Roger and the Ramjets on Saturday night. Tickets are \$20 each and a plate for shared supper. Could use help with warming soup and savouries and other preparation for shared lunch 11-12. Please come to the shared lunch and afternoon of music and dance. We are having to renew the map and sign in the reserve beside the hall due to damage done by council mower.
- (ix) Waiwera Valley Association - Roding - 3 members drove around with Bernard from AT. Some members came to Bledisloe House for re-enactment for Civil Defence
- (x) Village Market - Good day at market with fine weather last market day. Sewage odour from sports club last 3 months. Forum can send email to sports club actioned by Dustyn. Carpark filling up with other users during market days. Broken glass found in carpark also, which needs to be cleared by market organisers.
- (xi)
NB Greg Taylor requests that it be noted in minutes that there are 17 residents here tonight interested in the sealing of Ahuroa road and pest control.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 30 July, 2019 at 7.30pm.
