

MINUTES OF THE PUHOI FORUM COMMUNITY MEETING

HELD AT PUHOI SPORTS CLUB ON 29th October, 2019 commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Dustyn O'Leary, Paul Manton, Judith Williams, Jenny Schollum, Sandra Beagley, Sorrel O'Leary, Greg Taylor, Sheryll and Brian Titford, Duane Gardner, John Rehm, Ross Broadmore

Apologies: Beth Houlbrooke, Derek Broadmore, Jenny Neil, Mike Swain

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING held 24 September, 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on February had been previously circulated.

Motion 1

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 24 September, 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: D O'Leary
Seconded: D Gardner
Carried

2. TREASURER'S REPORT for September 2019

Interest only income. Payment of \$180 to Lance Pederson for putting sleeves on plants in River Park.

Reimbursement for \$250 for catering for civil defence meeting in August to Judith Williams.

Internet Banking - one person has to authorise online, with the second signatory authorising within a few hours. Treasurer to contact bank to set this up, secretary to be available to authorise this online.

Motion 2

THAT the Treasurer's report be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: P Manton
Seconded: J Williams
Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Ideas to increase membership - Possible speakers: Mark Mitchell, Tracey Martin, John Rehm re pigs, Greg Sayers. January meeting slot to start, continuing quarterly.

Christmas Party at Hall. Carols by candlelight proposed. Friday 13 December from 6-8.00pm followed by carols.

Working Groups Updates

- **Puhoi Park** - new lease agreement now signed from Council. Has taken some years to get through new Auckland Council, 5 year lease with right of renewal for further 5 years. We have to inform Council of working bees, planting, maintenance, but we don't need permission. Gorse within park, for us to deal with. We can selective spray fence line gorse. Gorse outside park for local board. Macrocarpa has shed a large limb, Paul and Duane to clear for firewood this weekend.

Motion 3: To seal and sign the lease agreement and send back to Council.

Moved: D O'Leary
Seconded: G Taylor
Carried

- **Road safety group** - videos and letters, correspondence over last 5 years sent to Local Board, AT, CEO of AT, Greg Sayers, received a case number in reply. Only 2 of four red carpets installed, no rumble strip involved so ineffective. Discussion begun on taking matters into our own hands and creating a bridle path for safety along road to Rosa Villa and Bruce McGregor. Gillian's track needs to be revived and short footpath stretch to connect. Possible meeting with Greg, Beth, AT, Paul re progress of Ahuroa Rd.
- **Community orchard** - Paul to get quotes for materials, use plan drafted for proposal, to action horse pens and drainage over the summer break. See if local farm centres will donate materials in return for naming rights. nb Plans to be sent out with minutes again. Poplar trees to be pruned, and pavilion to be relocated and painted. In past applied for funds, looking for sponsors for Pavilion. Sorrel to approach Bunnings/Mitre10 and local businesses for Pavilion. Give a little page on Puhoi Facebook another option, Sorrel to investigate with Jenny.
- **Civil defence** - Judith went to Kowhai Festival big day out volunteering for Neighbourhood Support to keep contact going.
- **Puhoi Heritage Museum** - Czech ambassador to Australia and deputy Foreign Affairs visited. Another delegation coming in November including deputy speaker of Czech parliament.
- **Market** - Full market on Sunday, new stall holders. Twilight market December 8 at hall on Sunday, 3.30-7.00pm. AGM tomorrow night at Library, all welcome.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on November 2019 at 7.30pm.
