



Pukehina Beach Ratepayer's Association Inc.

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**Minutes of the committee meeting Monday July 8th 2013
at 7.30 pm at the Pukehina Beach Fire Brigade hall.**

Present: Meeting opened at 7.30pm

John Cook (chair), Rex Cameron, David Taylor, Carole Forrester, Alex White, Stella Cressey, Alan Sutherland, Ray Foster, and Bev Nairn. Councillor Sue Matthews.

Apologies – Ian Rodger and Kevin Marsh,

Moved that apologies be accepted John, seconded Bev, carried

Minutes –

Minutes from the last meeting were circulated. Alex moved the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record, seconded Alan, carried.

Matters arising from the minutes –

Lighting improvement in the boat ramp area is underway.

Correspondence :

WBOP Annual plan

Outwards: nil

Matters arising from the Correspondence – nil

John moved correspondence be accepted, seconded Bev, carried.

Financial Report:

<u>PUKEHINA BEACH RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION</u>		
<u>FINANCIAL REPORT JULY 2013</u>		
Westpac		
Current Account Balance		\$5,269.68
<u>Cheques Drawn</u>		
Copy Centre (promotional material)	\$55.50	
<u>Deposits</u>		
Subscriptions	\$60.00	

P.B.R.A Community Patrol Vehicle		
Westpac Balance		\$673.95

<u>Cheques Drawn</u>		
BP Garage - service & rust removal	\$136.15	
BP Petrol Account	\$250.00	
Term Deposit		
Heartland Bank Ltd		
Reinvested @ 4.25% to mature 6th Sept 2013		\$22,006.26

Pukehina Community Sports Field Fund		
Westpac Balance		\$1,123.95
NOTE: To date 175 Members = 28%		

Bills approved for payment include \$800 for the beach logo, \$2803.08 for WBOP Resource consent costs. The Stratum account for consent preparation will be presented to Walking Access NZ. John moved the WBOP invoice be paid from the general PBRA account and later transferred back from the Walkways account when funds come in, seconded Bev, carried. Financial report will be provided tomorrow.

General Business and Standing items:

Waste water – John

Pete's takeaways inspection and clean costs \$400 which is less than Transfield. An adequate tank servicing two people might last ten years between cleans. Pete's recommend encouraging responsible care rather than a scheduled register. They will display a recommended regime on their sponsored web page.

Roading, signage – Alan

An onsite meeting re the Pukehina Beach and State highway 30 intersection was held with Adam Frances, senior safety engineer for the transit authority. Right turning, west bound traffic needs a safe place to pause while waiting. Realignment will be investigated with a possible hatchway extending back to Pukehina Station road.

A service request to WBOPDC will be made to clarify parking requirements. A large truck & trailer sometimes parks on the verge and footpath to keep the roadway clear.

The security camera being looked at seems ideal, but council won't allow attachment to their sign and the power company say no the using their pole. Instead, a sign stating '24 hour surveillance' will be put up in lieu of a camera.

Community Emergency plan – Carole

Carole will visit Maketu group with Wendy Davenhill and Brian North to see their emergency response kit. We may seek a sponsor for this. We could show a demo kit at the AGM and take orders to supply.

CD are checking if Pongakawa might be a good meeting spot for Pukehina residents. Pukehina could do a dry run emergency practice.

Community facilities - Rex

Preparing to apply for funds from Acorn, TECT, FST and FMG.

Website development – Stella

Draft at the editor, then webmaster for a planned launch before the end of August. Xero banking feeds are established and coming through and will back date to December 2012 to allow reporting on a full financial year. Lists are done for contacts and 2013 paid members.

Waihi Estuary Walkway – David

Funds applications are underway. Time to appeal the consent has elapsed without issue. The Franceses wish to apply for consent to dredge an inlet, the fill from which will not be suitable for the path. WBOP want to run storm water into their wetland, so a meeting is called July 22nd to sort through the issues. The collapsed bridge has been repaired by the farmer but is now a culvert. Discussions with the council continue, meanwhile we will treat softly and focus on phase i. Ray has sought quotes in 3 metre sections to allow comparison. Stratum haven't drawn the bridge, and a building consent is required from WBOP.

Environment & Dunes – Bev

The working bee of nine souls reinstated the washed out posts on the spit fence and planted Spinifex on the leading dune slope. PD groups continue to remove ice plant in preparation for infill planting.

Motunau park toilets have been de-commissioned and the upgrade will proceed in the summer.

Historical record – David

Long term residents will be asked for historical items – Patti Fried, Brian North, Costello family, Barb Mac Kay, Harry Wiremu and others. We will seek the help of an antiquarian (Tom Scott ?) at the next AGM sourcing information from BOP Historic Places Te Papa etc. History boards may be erected in the community.

Newsletter - Ian to assemble submitted items for distribution in the next three weeks. We will seek contribution of old photographs of Pukehina beach and community.

Broadband – David.

A community group from Maketu was calling for support for the tower. Sue believes it is still on track for late 2013.

David reported a beach accident where three hoons were racing along the strip on quad bikes. One crashed and sustained some injuries. Police may lay charges related to speed and alcohol. None of the bikes had numbers and Rex would like to be kept in the loop.

Alex noted the scrap metal merchant was encroaching the verge and path regularly, and that service requests were the way to get this curtailed. It is a commercial activity on private property.

Meeting closed 9.00 pm, next meeting Monday August 12th at 7.30pm, Fire Brigade rooms.

Approved:

Signed :