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***Minutes of the committee meeting Monday 9th 2016
7.30 pm at the Pukehina Hall.***

Meeting opened: 7.30 pm

Present: (Committee of 11, quorum being 4)

John Cook (Chair), Katrina Dunn, Joy Walker Stu Brickland, Alan Sutherland, Dallas Bates, Rex Cameron, Ange Trudgeon, Judy Treloar (recording minutes), Carole Forrester, Alex White, WBOP Councillors – Kevin Marsh

Apologies: Denise Donald, Ray Foster, John McMillan, John Scrimgeour

Best wishes to Ray and Rose on the birth of their daughter is to be sent (Denise)

Moved Alex W Seconded Joy W

Minutes from 11 April meeting distributed, read and accepted

Moved John C Seconded Alex W Carried

Matters arising from the minutes:

There has been no response from WBOPDC regarding Poutuia Park freedom camping signage.

Correspondence

• **Inward:**

Beverley Hughes BOPRC – notification of The Hui-A-Iwi, Monday 2 May 10am at The Orchard, 20 Mac Loughlin Drive, Te Puke

Sue Hammond – notification of Midway Park 'Pirate ship' playground renewal

Ricardo Daniel R. Cosico – inquiry regarding construction of walkway/cycleway – looking for work to manage the project.

PBRA to respond thanking for interest but we are not in that position as yet.

Margaret H. Williams – Surf club expansion plans and keen to have PBRA support (via correspondence with Dallas B)

Gavin Wallace contacted John, Dallas and Joy and wants to talk to PBRA regarding Plan Change 74. We are awaiting his response (see general business)

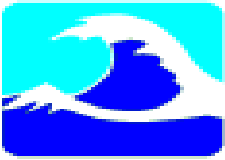
• **Outward:**

Dave Smyth regarding website update (Katrina D) – Katrina advised further that she was corresponding with him and working through what can be done.

Moved Alan S Seconded Dallas B Carried

Financial Report: Prepared by Ange T

Distributed and read



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See attached report

The sports field account is to be closed and amalgamated into the association account. Alex is to follow up with Lyn to get her signature to close the account.

An invoice is required for the Community Hall \$300 per annum from Pukehina Emergency Services Trust for the power to operate the camera so it can be paid.

Moved John C Seconded Alex W Carried

General Business:

1. Report on Projects/ portfolios:

- **Wastewater : John C** – Nothing to report
- **Sand dune refurbishment: John C, Dallas B**

No further feedback to date. Has been verbally increased to 10 years with looking at 5 year renewals. Nothing forthcoming at present.

John has advised that in the event of emergency push-ups, we will act immediately as required and will always contact them in case of need.

- **Coastal Hazards: Plan Change 74**

The last discussion on this was at the last meeting was that, we received a copy of the planning report late from Council, none the less as a committee we felt that there are no real grounds to challenge the change and that our effort should focus on working with council to protect the dunes. There are new coastal and harbour protection policies soon to be published.

Since then Gavin Wallace has contacted PBRA requesting an opportunity to address the committee. John has been in touch with Gavin and Gavin has requested an update on PBRA's position. Next steps yet to be advised; John will engage directly with Gavin Wallace over the next couple of days and gather in his views.

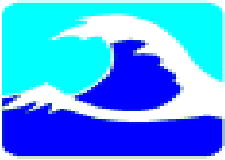
- **Infrastructure: Alan S**

Report on water runoff into Costello Cres sections. Kerb and channel is required to address this. Alan contacted Council and they are coming out Thursday to look at and assess. PBRA to keep addressing and get the Pukehina Parade kerb and channelling on the 10 year plan.

- **Waihi Estuary cycle/walkway – Dallas B, John C**

John Cook had a meeting with Gary Ellis and council are receptive to combining the proposed walkway project with the cycleway.

It is possible that Council might be able to play a greater part in the planning, execution and long term management of this asset with PBRA relinquishing much of the responsibility for delivery.



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PBRA, via John would remain a key stakeholder, sponsor and key contributor to raising of funds. Gary Ellis is going to consult internally and come back to us.

WBOPDC is willing to absorb this with the PBRA contributing with fundraising. PBRA will then not be liable for maintenance or health and safety.

It was moved that we go into committee to discuss further.

Moved John C Seconded Alex W Carried

It was moved that we go out of committee

Moved John C Seconded Alan S Carried

- **Freshwater futures and Environs: Denise D, Stu B (B Nairn)**

Stu detailed further and reported on the Hui.

Hui report *in brief* - Purpose was to share information of the current state of fresh water quality in our region (that is available so far).

Historically data has been conducted since 1990's and testing sites have been added to since then.

Monthly testing: 53 sites in total (including 3 sites on Kaituna, 3 sites on Pongakawa stream and 1 on Waitahanui stream). New monitoring has been added since the end of 2015 – 13 river sites and 6 drain sites.

Weekly testing in summer: 65 sites in total are monitored for swimming quality (including 3 sites on Kaituna, 3 sites across Pongakawa and Waitahanui catchments).

Essentially the state of water quality within our Waihi Estuary is termed as 'poor' and there are river sites which do not meet swimming criteria (during summer).

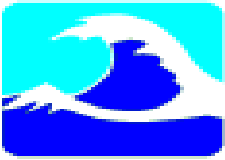
Full reports can be obtained from:

<https://www.boprc.govt.nz/media/520774/kaituna-maketu-and-pongakawa-waitahanui-water-management-area-current-state-and-gap-analysis.pdf>

www.boprc.govt.nz/media/448363/freshwater-in-the-bay-of-plenty-comparison-against-the-national-objectives-framework.pdf

It was moved that we send a letter to the Pongakawa Waitahanui Fresh Water Futures Community Group or the Regional Council, stating we value the swimming, fishing, birdlife and clean smelling water (primary contact). According to the survey the community wants the health of the estuary to be restored and protected; 86% of respondents want to be able to swim in the estuary or better - eat shellfish.

Moved Dallas B Seconded Stu B Carried



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- **Community Emergency Response Plan: Carole F, Joy W**

Carol reported further on the Civil Defense brochure which is now at printers. Gloria Oliver has now resigned and worked very hard to get everything ready before she finished.

See attached brochure

Congratulations and thanks was conveyed to Carol for her work.

NZ Fire Service is to be advised that the siren did not work when the Civil Defense testing occurred.

- **PBRA website / membership list : Katrina D, Denise D**

No update for the website we will continue to look for improvements as we go.

- **Halls, Community patrol car: Rex C**

Rex reported the Hall has lost the use of the Tai Chi.

The car has a few problems and Rex is trying to get us on the list for a replacement.

Neighbourhood support group: Joy W

See attached letter – this was discussed and to be sent out.

A meeting was held with Sgt Mark Holmes in keeping up to date. There have been a few more burglaries, more than last year.

There is now in the region of 53% permanent residents.

- **Beach access ways: Judy T**

Sue Hammond and Chris from Coast Care met at Pukehina on Friday 15th April. They are very happy with the sand building up which will aid planting.

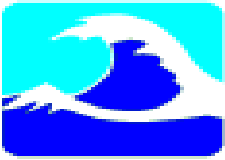
In regard to the closed beach access-way #13a, Sue has advised me that Coastcare has a sand ladder that is going to be installed and a bobcat is being organised to do some work to aid this and the winter dune planting to stabilise around this access way. Once this work is complete the chain and temporary closure will be removed.

It is very pleasing that both council and Coastcare are undertaking this work.

I have found the confusion between the beach access way numbering and will discuss with Sue Hammond in regard to the RMP to dispose of Access way #22 as it is unclear if this is that referred to in the 2007 or 2013 RMP.

In the Reserve Management Policy the current inventory is 26 access ways, which were clearly identified in the 2007 RMP. However in the 2013 RMP it still refers to a current inventory of 26, but the photos and identification are numbered up to 32. This may be due to the parks being included in the numbering, but I need to ascertain the reasoning.

Residents using the current 2013 #22 have raised concerns and are upset if it is on the agenda for disposal. They currently do some maintenance themselves. I will be raising this with Sue Hammond and Coastcare.



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- **Parks: Ray F, John McM, Alan S**

See attached letter

2. We are to get confirmation that the bark in the play grounds is untreated.
3. The dog officer is to be contacted regarding the dog at #679 next to the park that causes concern and has jumped the fence.
4. Carol reported that the Bus contract is coming up in July with a 3 day per week service. Janet suggested it should go down to Midway Park as there is plenty of parking there. With a suggestion that Tuesday could be one day as it is pension day and discounted movies.
5. The Surf club is to be invited to make a 10 minute presentation and 5 minute Q&A
6. Discussion was held regarding the venue for winter meetings. It was agreed to stay in the hall and if it gets too cold to move to the Fire Station.

Meeting closed: 9:15 p.m.