

MINUTES of a meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held in the Memorial Hall, Greenlane Road, Taupiri on **MONDAY 10 MAY 2021** commencing at **6.00pm.**

Present:

Ms D Lovell (Chairperson)
Cr JM Gibb
Cr EM Patterson
Mr H Lovell
Ms J Morley
Ms S Ormsby-Cocup
Ms J Henry

Attending:

Ms L Van Den Bemd (Community Development Advisor)
Mr M Horsfield (Democracy Advisor)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Cr Patterson/Mr Lovell)

THAT the apology from Mr R Van Dam be received.

AND THAT the apology from Ms J Morley for lateness be received.

CARRIED

TCB2105/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Cr Gibb/Ms Cocup-Hughes)

THAT the agenda for the meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held on Monday, 10 May 2021 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting;

AND THAT all reports be received.

CARRIED

TCB2105/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Ms Cocup-Hughes advised members of the Board that she would declare a non financial conflict of interest in item 6.4 [Taupiri School – Community Garden Improvement and Picnic Tables].

ACTION: Democracy Advisor to send the declaration of interest form to Mr Lovell for completion.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Cr Gibb/Ms Cocup-Hughes)

THAT the minutes for the meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held on Monday, 29 March 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting subject to the following amendment:

- Item 6.2 – Minutes read “Taupiri School will decide on the mural theme”, should read “Taupiri School will have input on the mural theme”
- Item 7.7 – Minutes read “Taupiri Cemetery carpark”, should read “Taupiri Pa site layby”

CARRIED

TCB2105/03

REPORTS

Public Forum
Agenda Item 5.1

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Discretionary Fund Report to 28 April 2021
Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [TCB2105/02 refers] and discussion was held.

- The Community Board Conference fee should not be included in the report as it was stated in the February Discretionary Report that the Conference fee will be covered by Council.

ACTION: Staff to confirm that the Community Board Conference fee was paid by Council and removed from the Discretionary Fund Report.

REPORTS (CONTINUED)

Taupiri Works and Issues Report

Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [TCB2105/02 refers] and the following discussion was held.

- Community Board members need to provide project updates to understand the status of projects. It is important members responsible for projects to follow up with Council staff to ensure progress was being made.

Taupiri School Calming Safety area/Pedestrian Crossing

- Council staff have engineering concerns regarding a raised platform being implemented. Staff were waiting for financial forecasts to determine if budgeting was available for a platform.
- Yellow no stopping lines have been painted and the October action to be closed. The action for March to remain active.

Gordonton Road Bridge Footpath

- Issue was still ongoing. Trip hazard was expected to be completed by 10th May 2021. Concern raised regarding cracking on the footpath.

ACTION: Staff to contact NZTA to highlight cracking issue on the Gordonton Road bridge footpath.

- Details regarding the removal of moss and detritus to be removed from the Works & Issues report.

ACTION: Cr Patterson and Ms Lovell to follow up and check that trip hazard was resolved.

Hall Committee

- The Community Development Advisor and Council Staff met with the Taupiri Hall Committee to discuss ANZAC day and the condition of the hall.
- Hall Committee has requested that feedback from the Community Board been sent to the Committee via email. Hall Committee will make their email publically available for hall bookings and post information regarding hall hireage outside the hall.
- Board to discuss at the next meeting whether actions stated by the Hall Committee regarding the availability of hall hireage information have been completed. If completed the issue will be removed from the Works and Issues Report.

ACTION: The Community Development Advisor to provide an update at the next meeting whether the actions were completed.

Daffodil Bulb Volunteer Planting Day

- Daffodil bulbs were planted at Bob Byrne Memorial Park.
- Fruit tree planting and mulching to be the next stage of planting.

ACTION: Daffodil Bulb Volunteer Day to be moved to the projects report and be renamed Community Planting and Maintenance with Ms Morley responsible for the project.

Te Putu Street Rail Bridge Painting/Wooden Railing

- Concern that there are safety issues for residents regarding the conditions of the railings.
- There was no funding with Council's budget available within the Financial year to paint the bridge. Railings will be waterblasted and damaged railings replaced.

ACTION: Cr Patterson to follow up the issue and provide an update at the next Community Board meeting.

New Seal on Great South Road outside the Taupiri Cementary

- Work was completed and can be removed from the Report.

Taupiri Pa Site Lay by.

- Problems still occurring with rubbish skips being left in the lay by and trucks using the location as a rest area.

ACTION: Mr Van Dam to follow up the issue via email to NZTA and provide an update at the next Community Board meeting.

Road Signage at the Taupiri Service Centre

- Problems still occurring with people missing the turn off to Auckland.

Ms Morley entered the meeting during the above item at 6:11 PM.

Third Quarter Service Request Report Agenda Item 6.3

The report was received [TCB2105/02 refers] and the following discussion was held.

- A high number of consents enquiries have been logged, focusing on property information requests.

Taupiri School - Community Garden Improvements and Picnic Tables
Agenda Item 6.4

Ms Cocup-Hughes declared a conflict of interest in this item and did not participate in the discussion.

The report was received [TCB2105/02] and the following discussion was held.

- Taupiri School was seeking funding for new picnic tables and pavements for the community gardens. Community Gardens are for all the Taupiri Community.
- The funding request is for four picnic tables.
- Questions were raised regarding the purchase price of the picnic tables. The Ministry of Education has a code of practise for what is required for purchasing equipment.
- Other funding options should be investigated by the School.
- Staff have provided the option for Springhill Prison inmates to build the picnic tables for the cost of the building material and they can be made to the school's specification.

ACTION: The Community Development Advisor to discuss with Springhill Prison regarding the use of their workers, costs and specifications.

ACTION: The Community Development Advisor will put Taupiri School in contact with Spring Hill Prison.

ACTION: Ms Morley to investigate whether private businesses can contribute to reducing the costs of the project.

(Resolved:Ms Morley/Cr Gibb)

THAT the request from Taupiri School towards the cost of Community Garden Improvements and Picnic Tables be deferred until the next meeting to enable investigation of options to reduce costs of the project;

AND THAT staff approach Spring Hill Correctional Facility (Spring Hill) to investigate whether this work can be undertaken, which will provide the opportunity for prisoners to give back to the community.

CARRIED

TCB2105/04

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.5

The Chair gave a verbal report and answered questions of the Board.

- ANZAC Day went well and a thank you letter from the Community Board Chair was sent to Taupiri Marae.
- Invoices were provided regarding ANZAC Day costs to be paid from the ANZAC Day Council Fund.

ACTION: Finance to provide receipts to the Community Board Chair once the payments have been processed.

- Mural Projects – It was suggested a sub-committee be formed of the Community Board and a community trust be established.
- Community Plan Booklet - Chairperson has had issues attaining information for regarding parks and reserves for the booklet due to a historical fire in the Borough Council. The Chairperson has not received a reply for additional information from Council records department.

ACTION: Record Department to reply to Ms Lovell's enquiries regarding information related to Parks and Reserves.

- Dog Control Bylaw Workshop – Workshop will be held in June.
- Hall Committee – Chair wrote a letter to the Taupiri Hall Committee regarding issues associated with the hall.

Councillors' Report

Agenda Item 6.6

Crs Gibb and Patterson gave a verbal overview on current Council issues.

- Cr Gibb – Been very busy with Long Term Plan and District Plan work. Work still in progress for the Community Plan project.
- Cr Patterson – Solid Waste review update has been circulated to Community Board members from Cr Patterson. A lot of changes occurring in the Solid Waste area. There was particular focus on Food and Construction Waste. Container deposit scheme were a possibility into the future.

PROJECTS

Parks & Reserves

Agenda Item 7.1

Ms Morley gave a verbal update and answered questions from the Board

- Planning for public reserve fruit trees planting. Chorus Building graffiti has been removed and repainted.

Taupiri School Updates

Agenda Item 7.2

Ms Ormsby-Cocup gave a verbal update and answered questions from the Board.

- Two new classrooms were being built at the school and should be completed within two weeks. The classrooms were part of the first stages of catering to future population growth.

Taupiri Mountain (Maunga)

Agenda Item 7.3

Ms Henry gave a verbal update and answered questions from the Board.

- Council staff have received information regarding titles on the land but cannot be shared publicly.

ACTION: Cr Patterson will follow up with the Open Spaces Team Leader regarding the meeting between held between local land owners and NZTA

- The Board will progress with the proposal for the walkway and cycle track first. This will be followed by the establishment of a Trust and then go to public consultation.
- Waikato Tainui land swap – Stated that is was still progressing.

Emergency Procedures – Civil Defence

Agenda Item 7.4

Ms Morley gave a verbal update and answered questions from the Board.

- Project remains ongoing.

Maaori Cultural Centre

Agenda Item 7.5

Members gave a verbal update and answered questions from the Board.

- Discussions were still underway with Taupiri Marae regarding the storyboard project.

Agenda Item 7.6

No verbal report was provided.

Agenda Item 7.7

This matter was discussed earlier in the meeting (reference Agenda Item 6.2)

Agenda Item 8

Ms Cocup-Hughes provided a verbal report regarding the conference.

- Conference was heavily focused on Youth involvement.
- Ms Cocup-Hughes noted that more can be done to involve youth within Council and increase youth representation.
- More education should be provided by Council regarding opportunities for young elected members.

- Te Ao Maaori – Increased acknowledgement and improvements needed to incorporate Te Ao Maaori within Council and Community Boards.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8:11 PM.

Minutes approved and confirmed this _____ day of _____ 2021.

D Lovell
CHAIRPERSON