

MINUTES for a meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held in the Memorial Hall, Greenlane Road, Taupiri on **MONDAY, 20 JUNE 2022** commencing at **6.00pm**.

Present:

Ms D Lovell (Chairperson)
Mr R Van Dam (Deputy Chairperson)
Ms J Mortley
Cr EM Patterson
Mr H Lovell

Attending:

Guests:
Ms Pamela Story (Waikato Regional Council)

Staff:
Ms G Shaw (Democracy Advisor)
Mrs L Van den Bemd (Community Led Development Advisor)
Ms D Thurlow (Community and Development Funding Advisor)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Cr Patterson/Ms Mortley)

THAT the apologies from Cr Gibb, Mrs Henry and Ms Ormsby-Cocup for non-attendance be received.

CARRIED

TCB2206/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Ms Mortley/Mr Lovell)

THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held on Monday, 20 June 2022 be confirmed:

- a. with all items therein being considered in open meeting; and
- b. all reports be received.

CARRIED

TCB2206/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Cr Patterson/Mr Lovell)

THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held on Monday, 9 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record with an amendment noting Councillor Patterson's absence.

CARRIED

TCB2206/03

REPORTS

Waikato Region Council Update from Councillor Pamela Storey

- Ms Storey was one of two Waikato Regional Councillors who represented the Taupiri constituency.
- Took the opportunity to introduce herself and encourage locals to reach out to her.
- She was the Chair of Waikato Regional Council's Strategy and Policy Committee. Lots of work had been happening in this space, including the recent endorsement of a draft aquaculture strategy and a Bio-Strategy for 2022/23.
- Ms Storey encouraged locals to contact her regarding Waikato Regional Council issues or to log issues via the Waikato Regional Council website.

Community-Led Development Team Update from Ms Dominique Thurlow, Community and Funding Development Advisor

- Ms Thurlow introduced herself as the Waikato District Council's new Community and Funding Development Advisor.
- Ms Thurlow had previously held employment with the Waikato Regional Council for 12 years.
- Her role with the Waikato District Council was primarily in the funding space, looking to build capacity and capability of communities and empower them to run and lead their own projects.

Discretionary Fund Report

Agenda Item 6.1

The report was received [TCB2206/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- Need to make clear on the report that the Chorus Building commitment would consist of \$2,000 from the Discretionary Fund and \$1,500 from Community-Led Development team funding.

Taupiri Works and Issues Report

Agenda Item 6.2

The report was received [TCB2205/02 refers] and the following discussion was held:

- *Community Plan* – the Taupiri Community Trust had been established and there would be a subsequent meeting to formalise the next steps in the process. The booklet would be worked out between the Taupiri Community Trust and the Taupiri Community Board.
- *Wel Green Boxes/Chorus Building/Mural Painting* – the artists/designer would start a first sketch, working with concept/ideas provided by the Chair. The first sketch was in progress and a further meeting would be held once it was complete. Kaitotehe School would be incorporated into the design, as well as the pear tree that had been outside the school for a significant time. The bell atop the local church would also be incorporated as it was also once atop Kaitotehe School. All were excited at the progress of the mural design.
- *Proposal for Walkway and Cycle Track in Taupiri* – this item would be considered by the Taupiri Community Trust.
- *Community Planting and Maintenance* – 5,500 daffodil bulbs had been planted in the area and there were 4,000 bulbs yet to be planted. Mrs Morley would ask for local volunteers to assist. She had drawn up a planting map, with plans to plant bulbs at Bob Byrne Park and on Murphy Lane. She would also distribute bulbs to locals to plant outside their businesses etc. and ensure there would be a good distribution of daffodils around the community. It was confirmed City Care had a register of the bulbs being planted in the area.

The Community Constable had been approached regarding the stripping of fruit trees in the area and confirmed they could not act unless incidents were reported at the time they occurred.

Mrs Mortley had received a delivery of fruit trees for planting - four plum trees (all different types of plum trees), four lemon trees and four feijoa trees. Mrs Mortley had created a planting plan for the trees and aimed to ensure they were situated in locations with a low likelihood the trees would be stripped or damaged.

- *Emergency Procedures* – queried if Council staff could follow up with the Board regarding this item.

ACTION: Staff to follow up with the Taupiri Community Board regarding its Emergency Procedures.

- *Taupiri School/Community Garden Improvements and Picnic Tables* – Kim Wood from City Care would provide the Board with six (6) tables. Three (3) would be gifted to the school and three (3) would be provided to the community with the idea that two (2) would be placed outside the church and one (1) would be placed in the park. The Community-Led Development Advisor would follow up with City Care regarding the delivery of the tables.

ACTION: Community-Led Development Team to follow up with City Care regarding the provision of six tables for the Taupiri Community Board.

ACTION: Taupiri School/Community Garden Improvements and Picnic Tables to be removed from the Works and Issues report.

- *Neighbourhood Support* – there were no new updates to this item.
- *Car on Te Putu St* – the Monitoring Team had issued an abatement notice to the vehicle owner. It was uncertain if the vehicle owner had obtained either registration or a warrant of fitness for the car since the previous meeting. The vehicle was still parked on Te Putu Street.

ACTION: Staff to provide the Taupiri Community Board with an update regarding the car situated on Te Putu Street (e.g., could it be removed?).

- *Watch for Children signs* – this was a work in progress. The Roding Team was supportive of installing the signs, but possibly not as many as the Taupiri Community Board had initially asked for.
- *Rates for new Taupiri residents* – the Board was satisfied with the information provided by the Finance Manager regarding this matter.

Community Board Charter Report

Agenda Item 6.3

- The Board would hold a workshop meeting on Monday, 11 July 2022 at 6pm to discuss and gather feedback on this topic.
- Would need to consider what the quorum for the Taupiri Community Board would look like in the next triennium.

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.4

The Chair provided a verbal report and answered questions from the Board. The following matters were discussed:

- Waikato River Care would start its planting in June/July 2022.
- Taupiri cemetery – unmarked graves. Confident that there was just the one case of unmarked graves right on the fence line south end of the cemetery. Had the machinery that could detect graves in the ground. Confident there were no others. Final steps to iron out for the purchase to go ahead.
- Board would need to consider a community project it would like to support through the Discretionary Fund. Suggested a Christmas Carols night (combined with community and local businesses) in early December.

Councillors Reports

Agenda Item 6.5

- Council held a workshop regarding the Cemeteries Bylaw. The bylaw would require a few tweaks, but no significant updates. Community feedback would be important on this topic.
- Councillors recently met with a Smokefree 2025/Cancer Society representative. The society was attempting to gather support to lobby the Government.
- There was a conversation around liquor ban signs in Taupiri. Board enquired how it could obtain more liquor ban signs, where would new signs be placed and what kind of assessment of the town had been done regarding the placement of its liquor ban signs.

ACTION: Staff to provide the Taupiri Community Board with an update how it could obtain liquor ban signs, where would new signs be placed and what kind of assessment of the town had been done regarding the placement of its liquor ban signs.

PROJECTS

Parks & Reserves

Agenda Item 7.1

- Bob Byrne Park has had a few improvements.

Taupiri School Updates

Agenda Item 7.2

- Nothing new to report at the time.

