



POKENO COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the monthly Pokeno Community Committee meeting held in the Pokeno Hall, Pokeno, on 14th June 2016, commencing at 7.30pm.

Committee Members Present: Helen Clotworthy, Doug Rowe, Kris Hines, Tricia Graham, Ric Odom, Lance Straker, Charles Hackett, Janet McRobbie.

Guests in Attendance: Tony Whitaker W.D.C, Betty Connolly, Lianne van den Bemd, Lee Watson, Jen Sedway

Councillors in Attendance: Cr J Church, Cr Lionel Petersen

Community Members Attending: Community Members attended.

Apologies and leave of absence: Apologies were received from Todd Miller, Wayne Rodgers

Moved that the apologies be accepted: Helen Clotworthy

Seconded: Doug Rowe

1 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There was no disclosure of interest

2 CONFIRMATION OF THE STATUS OF THE AGENDA

The following items were to be added to General Business

- Road naming
- Problems with Contractors dogs
- A presentation to be given by Lee Watson on the proposed web site

3 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES meeting held 10th May 2016

Moved that the minutes be accepted: Helen Clotworthy
Seconded: Doug Rowe
Carried

Matters arising from the minutes

- *The presentation from the council on roading to be delayed until next meeting
- *A meeting of Helen and Lee with council representatives regarding the proposed has been held
- *A new email address for the secretary is to be set up tied to the web site
- * The name tags are still coming.

4 PLACEMAKING IN POKENO

Betty and Lianne gave a lively presentation to spread the word on Placemaking. They explained it in simple terms as a means of connecting people with public spaces and how it was a means of leveraging skills in the community to work with council to get what the community wants.

Ric Odom suggested that this was an opportunity to blend and define what Pokeno is and suggested that a workshop should be held regarding it

The importance of the use of the community Facebook page for communication was stressed by one of the community.

We were delighted to accept from Tony Whitiker the presentation of the gift of a “Little Library” as the start of our Placemaking endeavours. Considerable discussion on the best placement of this followed.

5 DRAFT NEIGHBOURHOOD PARKS RESERVES MANAGEMENT PLAN

Tony drew attention to the fact that Council is currently consulting on this and that information is available on the website. This report was accepted

Moved Helen Clotworthy

Seconded Lance Striker

Carried

6 OPEN WAIKATO BRINGING INNOVATION PARK TO TUAKAU AND POKENO

Tony spoke to the report of C Morgan pointing out that that the Open Waikato web site was a site for people considering investing in the Waikato. The new initiative is that Peter Davey, Business Manager of Waikato Innovation Park would be available on the second Tuesday of the month between 9.00am and 12pm in the Tuakau Service Centre.

Moved that the report should be adopted

Moved Helen Clotworthy

Seconded Kris Hines

Carried

7 REPORT ON THE POKENO COMMUNITY WEBSITE PROPOSAL

The attached report of the meeting that Helen and Lance had with the Council was discussed. A paper is going to Council in a couple of weeks asking support to the tune of \$5000. It seems likely that this will be approved. A presentation on the shape of the website to be given by Lee Watson in General Business

Moved that this report be accepted

Moved Doug Rowe

Seconded Kris Hines

8 HEALTH AND SAFETY

With the latest changes in the Health and Safety Legislation this has been a real focus of Council who have recently received a good accreditation. It was pointed out that we need to be aware of these issues.

Moved that this report be accepted

Moved Helen Clotworthy

Seconded Ric Odom

Carried

9 WORK PLAN

Tony presented us with a starter for this. Ric Odom commented that it was important that we take charge of this to reflect the needs of our community.

Moved that this should be accepted

Moved Helen Clotworthy

Seconded Janet McRobbie

10 COUNCILLORS REPORT

Jacquie Church presented this. She gave details of the road naming meeting held that day. Many of the names that had been presented by the Community group had been accepted and she stressed the importance of having a list of names from the Community Committee.

She gave information on rates and the new rubbish collection.

It became apparent in discussion that many, particularly of course those new to the district were unaware of work that had been done previously. Jacquie requested that a summary of this be put together for general information.

10 GENERAL BUSSINESS

- Lee Watson's Report

It is important that that Website becomes a focal point. We need to decide whether it is to give information or is promotional. Lee has secured a number of appropriate Domain names. He stressed the need for it to gain a sufficient level of interest and said that providing the frame work

was the easy part and that providing appropriate content was the difficult part. It was clear that we would need to do a lot of work in providing that. The website could be up and running in 3 weeks. Helen and Lance will continue to work on this with Lance

***Problems of dogs**

Contractor's dogs have at times been a problem. It was suggested that contractors should be approached regarding this. Jacquie outlined the procedures that Dog Control follow.

***Inaugural meeting of the Community Patrol Group**

This is to be held on the 22nd June. It will be advertised on the big notice boards.

CLOSURE

Helen Clotworthy thanked the visitors for their attendance and their contribution. . There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 10 pm.

The next meeting of the Pokeno Community Group will be held on 12th July 2016 at 7.30pm in the Pokeno Hall. The agreement was that Committee members should be in attendance from 7.00pm for general informal discussion.