
Minutes for a meeting of the Rural Port Waikato Community Board at Port Waikato Fire Station, 83 Maunsell Road, Port Waikato on **THURSDAY, 29 FEBRUARY 2024** commencing at **6:30pm**.

Present:

Mr B Cameron (Chairperson)
Ms L Fry (Deputy Chairperson)
Ms R Costar
Cr C Eyre

Attending:

Mrs G Kanawa (Democracy Manager)
Mr R MacCulloch (General Manager Customer Support)
Attinder Singh (Transport Operation Lead)

The meeting opened with a karakia at 6:00pm.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Cr Eyre/Ms Fry)

THAT the Rural Port Waikato Community Board accepts the apology from:

- a. Ms F Coker Grey and Cr P Matatahi-Poutapu for non-attendance.

CARRIED

RPWCB2902/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Ms Fry/Cr Eyre)

THAT the agenda and supplementary agenda for the meeting of the Rural Port Waikato Community Board held on Wednesday, 29 February 2024 be confirmed:

- a. that all reports be received.

CARRIED

RPWCB2902/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Ms Fry/Mrs Costar)

THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Rural Port Waikato Community Board held on Thursday, 7 December 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

RPWCB2902/03

Discretionary Fund Applications
Agenda Item 4

The report was received [*RPWCB2902/02 refers*] and the following discussion was held:

Rural Youth & Adult Literacy Trust:

- Cr Eyre noted her support for the event and the work the trust did for the community.

Resolved: (Cr Eyre/Ms Fry)

THAT the Rural Port Waikato Community Board:

approves an allocation of \$2,664.51 (plus GST if any) from their Wellbeing Fund account to:

- Rural Youth and Adult Literacy Trust (RYALT)**
- to run a book fair for the wider community**

CARRIED

RPWCB2902/04

Jasmine Craddock:

- The chairperson noted that the application did not meet the qualifying criteria as Discretionary Funding cannot be paid out to an individual.

Resolved: (Mr Cameron/Ms Fry)

THAT the Rural Port Waikato Community Board:

declines an allocation of \$6637.84 (plus GST if any) from their Discretionary Funding account as it does not meet the qualifying criteria to:

- Jasmine Craddock**
- for free HIIT Pilates for the Port Waikato Community**

CARRIED

RPWCB2902/05

Sunset Beach Surf-Lifesaving Club:

- Members of the Sunset Beach Surf Lifesaving Service outlined that they wanted to host a thank you celebration to the members of Lifesaving Service.
- Cr Eyre queried if the Lifesaving Service received Government funding with the service noting that they receive funding for equipment but not towards these functions.

Resolved: (Mrs Costar/Cr Eyre)

THAT the Rural Port Waikato Community Board:

approves an allocation of \$1745.00 (plus GST if any) from their Discretionary Funding account to:

- Sunset Beach Surf Lifesaving Service**
- For the club's Championship Competitions, Prizegiving and Celebrations**

CARRIED

RPWCB2902/06

Progress Update on Waikato District Council Emergency Works Reinstatement

Agenda Item 5

The report was received [*RPWCB2902/02 refers*] and the following discussion was held:

- Staff outlined that all affected roads from Cyclone Gabrielle have been reopened, however some slips remain with work upcoming to fix them.
- Cr Eyre queried if a communications plan had been developed to alert the public to the upcoming road works with staff noting that the public would be given notice of any upcoming roadworks.

- Cr Eyre noted that discussions needed to be held after the repairs to look at how to solidify the land to prevent further slips.
- Member of the Port Waikato Residents of Ratepayers Association noted that clearer communication is needed between the residences and contractors.

REPORTS

Works, Actions & Issues Report: Status of Items October 2023 Agenda Item 6

The report was received [*RPWCB2902/02 refers*] and discussion was held on the following matters:

Port Waikato Stormwater systems

ACTION: To be removed off the actions register.

Graffitied road signs

ACTION: To be removed off the actions register.

Onewhero Area School Road Bus Turn Around area

ACTION: To be removed off the actions register.

Discretionary Fund Applications

ACTION: Democracy Manager to follow up with finance.

Missing Chevron Sign

ACTION: To remain on the report.

Onewhero Reserve

- *Staff noted that work on the sunset beach toilets have been completed.*
- *Staff noted that the work on Opuatia Tennis Court had been completed.*
- *Staff noted that the Pukekawa Tennis Court is nearly completed.*

PUBLIC FORUM

Agenda Item 7

- A member of the public noted the need for better communications when larger road works with closures are taking place.
- A member of the public noted the lack of curb and channel maintenance and wanted to know more about the level of services are delivered in the community.
- Cr Eyre encouraged members of the public to use the Council's antenno app to report issues to staff.

Discretionary Fund Report to 22 January 2024

Agenda Item 8

The report was received [RPWCB2902/02 refers] and discussion was held:

- Democracy Manager noted that several commitments have not been paid.
- Chairperson queried if the creation of a template is possible to help community groups on how to file through their invoices to the community board.

ACTION: Democracy Manager will follow up with finance on the outstanding commitments in the Discretionary Fund Report.

ACTION: Mrs Costar to follow up on the funding for Onewhero Bowling Club.

Resolved: (Mrs Costar/Mr Cameron)

THAT the Rural Port Waikato Community Board:

- a. removes \$500.00 in funding commitment to Waikaretu School's from the Discretionary Fund Report, and
- b. approves the reallocation of that \$500.00 in funding from the Rural-Port Waikato Community Board Discretionary Fund (School Pool Funding commitment) to Pukekawa School.

CARRIED

RPWCB2902/06

2024-234 Long Term Plan Update

Agenda Item 9

Cr Eyre provided a verbal report which was received *RPWCB2902 refers*] and further discussion was held.

- Cr Eyre noted that Council had voted to defer the LTP until 2025 in place of an enhanced annual plan to allow Council to have more clarity on Water Reforms and Waka Kotahi funding.
- Ms Costar noted her support for the Council's decision.
- The General Manager for Customer Support outlined Watercare's decision to end its contract with Waikato District Council

Community Board/Committee Plans

Agenda Item 6.5

The report was received *RPWCB2902/02 refers*] and discussion was held.

- The board members noted that they had begun developing their own plan.

Executive Leadership Update

Agenda Item 6.6

The General Manager Customer Support provided a verbal report was received *[RPWCB2902/02 refers]* and the following discussion was held.

- The General Manager noted that it was a busy time at Council to start the year.

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 6.7

The Chairperson provided a verbal report which was received *[RPWCB2902/02 refers]* and the following discussion was held.

- The Chairperson noted he had attended several LTP workshops and updated members on the sessions.
- The Chairperson noted his concern over rising costs but said Council has the community interest at heart.

