

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE TURANGI/TONGARIRO COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING**  
**HELD AT THE BOARDROOM, TURANGI SERVICE CENTRE, TOWN CENTRE, TURANGI**  
**ON TUESDAY, 14 MAY 2019 AT 1.04PM**

**PRESENT:** Mr Te Takinga New (in the Chair), Cr Tangonui Kingi, Cr Maggie Stewart, Mrs Karen Donlon, Miss Sharlyn Holt, Mrs Pauline Jenkins-Lyons, Mr Wally van der Aa

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Head of Economic Development & Business Transformation, Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues, Head of Communications & Customer Relations, Customer Relations Manager – Turangi, District Events Manager, District Parks Manager, Parks Manager Community & Open Spaces, Team Leader – Strategic Relationships, Senior Policy Advisor, Policy Advisor, Bookings Facilitator, Development Advisor, Democratic Services Support Officer

**MEDIA AND PUBLIC:** Nil

Note: *Apologies were noted by His Worship the Mayor, Cr Christine Rankin, and the Chief Executive.*

**1 APOLOGIES**

Nil

**2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**3.1 TURANGI/TONGARIRO COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 9 APRIL 2019**

**TT201905/01 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Karen Donlon

Seconded: Mrs Pauline Jenkins-Lyons

That the minutes of the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board meeting held on Tuesday 9 April 2019 confirmed as a true and correct record, with the following amendment:

- Add 'hanging baskets suspended around mall' to the list of items noted in item 4.8 'Turangi Mall Canopy and Pavers' resolution TT201904/08.

**CARRIED**

**4 REPORTS**

**4.1 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON**

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues explained the chairperson election process and recommended that System B be used, as it was the most straight-forward voting system. Members subsequently voted in favour of System B; nominations for a chairperson were then called for.

**Mr Te Takinga New**

**Nominated by Cr Tangonui Kingi**

**Seconded by Miss Sharlyn Holt**

Members and Council staff congratulated Mr New on his appointment.

#### **TT201905/02 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi

Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board:

1. Confirms that System B be used to determine the election process for the Chairperson; and
2. Elects Mr Te Takinga New as the Chairperson of the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board effective from May 14, 2019.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON**

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues explained that the deputy chairperson election process was identical to that of electing the chairperson, with the exception that the Board could choose to not elect a deputy chair and instead nominate a deputy chair at each meeting (if required).

Members subsequently decided to appoint a deputy chair under the System B process; the Chair then called for nominations.

**Ms Pauline Jenkins-Lyons**

**Nominated by Mrs Karen Donlon**

**Seconded by Miss Sharlyn Holt**

Members and Council staff congratulated Ms Jenkins-Lyons on her appointment.

#### **TT201905/03 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Karen Donlon

Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board:

1. Confirms that System B be used to determine the election process for the Deputy Chairperson; and
2. Elects Ms Pauline Jenkins-Lyons as the Deputy Chairperson of the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board effective from May 14, 2019.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.3 EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY ON TURANGI-TONGARIRO COMMUNITY BOARD**

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues briefly summarised the contents of the report, highlighting that the process involved with filling the vacancy - advertising, short-listing, applicant interviews, resolution to appoint, and public notice advising of successful applicant - would not be finalised until August 2019, and the new member would only partake in one or two Board meetings before the October 2019 elections.

Some members noted that had there been more time, they would have opted to fill the vacancy. However given the advised timeframes, extensive time involvement, and brief period of time remaining for a new member to be successfully inducted into the role, members agreed to not fill the vacancy.

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues noted that members could encourage any potential new members (they were aware of) to attend meetings, review agendas etc. as a way to expose them to the process and develop their understanding of the role.

**TT201905/04 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Karen Donlon  
Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

That the Turangi Tongariro Community Board pursuant to section 117(3)(b) of the Local Electoral Act 2001, confirms that no appointment be made to fill the extraordinary vacancy on the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board created by the resignation of Mr Andy from the Community Board on April 2, 2019.

**CARRIED**

**4.4 APPOINTMENT TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues advised that the Emergency Management Committee Terms of Reference did not require that the Board appointed member had to be an elected member from the Board. Therefore, the Board could appoint any member of the community including Mr Andy Hema, who could continue in the role if both parties agreed.

**TT201905/05 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Karen Donlon  
Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board confirms that Mr Andy Hema continue to represent the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board on the Emergency Management Committee for the balance of the 2016-2019 triennium.

**CARRIED**

**4.5 ACTION POINTS UPDATE**

The Head of Economic Development & Business Transformation noted that:

- The original Kate Sheppard Memorial garden plaque had been located and would be reinstated in the new garden, which would be planted with camelia's during autumn.
- Next round of funding for kerb and channel work would be available from July 2019.
- Remove item for exterior door into shared Council back office.

The Customer Relations Manager – Turangi advised that he would seek feedback from shopkeepers about proposed bollards being erected in various locations to inhibit vehicle access into the mall. He had already spoken to one shopkeeper who advised that they needed to be able to drive to the front of their shop to load / unload goods, as this could not be done through the rear access.

A member noted that the Saturday market group would also need to be consulted.

**TT201905/06 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mr Wally van der Aa  
Seconded: Mrs Karen Donlon

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the action points update.

**CARRIED**

**4.6 EVENTS UPDATE**

The District Events Manager showed a power point presentation and highlighted key points as follows:

- Had financially supported 38 district events, including 4 Turangi events.
- 4.9% funds had been provided through sponsorship and donations.
- Funded MarketView data reports for Turangi events.

- Investment in Turangi 2018-19 events was \$11,358.27 (plus GST). Financially supported – Safe Turangi Xmas in the Park (\$3k); Omori/Kuratau New Years Eve programme (\$500); Waitangi ki Pukawa festival (\$4k); Inter-Council Sports Tournament (\$3,858).
- Other (non-financial) support was provided to the Ring of Fire, River Shiver, River Wild and Aotearoa Circus events.
- Turangi based Sensei Mark Willis, Traditional Shotokan Federation of New Zealand, hosted the second annual Australasian Champs in Taupō in March 2019; huge increased spend observed during that period.
- Collaboration with Tongariro Prison through Mr Danny Morehu, for the production and supply of 500 gifts to be presented to IronMan (70.3) qualifiers at the beginning of July 2019.
- Increase of 11.7% in spending over the weekend of Christmas in the Park (December 15, 2018) - \$106k spent by non-residents.
- Upcoming events: May – Turangi Open Pig Hunting Competition and Hawkes Bay Targa Rally; July – More FM River Shiver; October – Omori/Kuratau Labour Weekend Market; November – River Wild Run / Raft Challenge; December – The Original Tongariro Goat and Safe Turangi Xmas in the Park; March 2020 – Ring of Fire.
- Key focus areas for ongoing improvement were recruitment; reallocation of event assets; BDO Lake Taupō Cycle Challenge; increased Ngati Tūrangitukua and the Community Board engagement; online application process for booking parks and reserves.
- Recently employed Miss Kelly Callaghan to support the open spaces / user requirements district wide, and refine the online booking process. Miss Callaghan would be based in the Turangi office every second Thursday from 9.30am-4.30pm and from May 23, in the Mangakino office for the same hours every alternate Thursday.
- Would look at options to have a pit stop in Turangi for the Lake Taupō Cycle Challenge – opportunity for Turangi to benefit from the event.

#### **TT201905/07 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Pauline Jenkins-Lyons

Seconded: Mrs Karen Donlon

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the events update.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.7 SUBMISSION ON THE DRAFT WATER SUPPLY STRATEGY AND DRAFT ROAD ENCROACHMENT POLICY**

The Board made the following points for inclusion in its submission on the Draft Water Supply Strategy:

- Strongly urged Council to engage with and seek feedback from Ngati Tūrangitukua as Council's treaty partner and landowners of the spring that sourced the water supply. Would like this relationship acknowledged in the final document.
- Encouraged Council to consult with Ngati Tūrangitukua for the proper (Māori) name for the unnamed spring (on map in figure 3), for use in the final document.
- As the Turangi water supply was from spring fed water, the general perception was that there was unlimited water available. Encouraged Council to educate consumers about conservation and responsible use of water.

The Board did not make a submission on the Draft Road Encroachment Policy.

#### **TT201905/08 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mr Te Takinga New

Seconded: Mrs Pauline Jenkins-Lyons

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board provides feedback for inclusion in formal submissions on the Draft Water Supply Strategy and / or Draft Road Encroachment Policy.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.8 SUBMISSION ON THE TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL DRAFT FEES AND CHARGES 2019/20**

The Board made the following points for inclusion in its submission on Council's Draft Fees and Charges 2019/20:

- Building Services (pgs 5-7) - investigate possibility of reduced / full waiver of administrative type fees, e.g. Building Warrant of Fitness - annual, for community volunteer groups and not-for-profit organisations.
- Environmental Health (pgs 11-12) - investigate possibility of reduced / full waiver of administrative type fees, e.g. Certificates of Registrations, for financially vulnerable traders.

There was also some discussion around water charges however, the Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues clarified that the water charges as per the draft fees and charges related to water connections (etc.) only and not water usage charges, which were dealt with through the annual plan.

Another member noted that the majority of Hiranui Road residents on metered water connections affiliated to Ngati Tūrangitukua and, as the landowners of the town water supply spring, should be exempted from paying for their water.

#### **TT201905/09 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mr Te Takinga New

Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board provides feedback for inclusion in a formal submission on the Taupō District Council draft Statement of Proposal Fees and Charges 2019/20.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.9 MONTHLY UPDATE ON TURANGI PROJECTS**

- A third set of goal posts had been ordered. The posts would be installed at such time that demand required a third set.
- Earth works had commenced at Kohineheke Reserve in preparation for installation of the stormwater device.

#### **TT201905/10 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Miss Sharlyn Holt

Seconded: Mr Wally van der Aa

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the update on Turangi projects as at May 14, 2019.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.10 TURANGI OPERATIONS REPORT - APRIL 2019**

The District Parks Operations Manager went through the operations report, and highlighted key points as follows:

- Explained details of an historical arrangement behind Council providing a skip bin at Pukawa for residents to use for disposal of green waste from Council reserves and / or low-hanging branches overhanging footpaths. A skip bin placed out at Pukawa at this Easter was over flowing with waste after only one day of being placed on site, requiring that the parks and reserves team do a tidy-up afterwards. People were also taking it upon themselves to prune trees (etc) without authorisation from Council which created huge health and safety risks. For those reasons, it was decided that Council would no longer provide a skip bin.
- The parks and reserves team would assist with leaf removal in addition to the scheduled sweeps by Inframax, along with an ex-employee to operate Council's flail to remove larger bulk piles of leaves. In

reply, some members reported damage to the road surface and berms from the equipment used by the contractor. Another member urged Council to do more to reduce the leaf problem noting that this been an ongoing issue for Turangi spanning many years; as elected members, it was difficult to defend Council's efforts to the community when there was leaves everywhere. The District Parks Manager advised that he would forward members' feedback to the transportation team who managed the contractor and leaf-fall issues.

#### **TT201905/11 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Pauline Jenkins-Lyons

Seconded: Mrs Karen Donlon

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the Turangi Operations Report as at May14, 2019.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.11 TURANGI-TONGARIRO COMMUNITY BOARD SUBMISSION ON THE TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL LONG-TERM PLAN 2018-28 AMENDMENT**

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues requested a copy of the Board's community survey results regarding the Long-term Plan Amendment. Miss Holt undertook to forward those results.

#### **TT201905/12 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Pauline Jenkins-Lyons

Seconded: Mrs Karen Donlon

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board retrospectively approves its submission on the Taupō District Council Long-Term Plan 2018-28 Amendment.

**CARRIED**

#### **4.12 TURANGI/TONGARIRO COMMUNITY BOARD 2017-18 HIGHLIGHTS REPORT**

A member commented that the report was missing information pertinent to the Omori/Kuratau and Pukawa communities, noting that she had attended / supported various community group meetings in those locations, which were part of her portfolio areas. In reply, the Team Leader – Strategic Relationships noted that the highlights report only captured more larger scale community projects and events that the Board had supported as opposed to normal engagements that members regularly undertook.

The Head of Economic Development & Business Technology congratulated the Board, noting that they should be proud of their achievements to date.

A member thanked the Team Leader – Strategic Relationships for collating and formatting the report, which was well presented.

At the Board's request, the Head of Communications & Customers Relations would upload the report onto the Board's Facebook page until the beginning of July 2019 when it would need to be removed as per elections protocols.

#### **TT201905/13 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mrs Karen Donlon

Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board 2017-18 Highlights Report.

**CARRIED**

#### 4.13 MEMBERS' REPORTS

##### Cr Maggie Stewart

- Whareroa Ratepayers Association AGM. The Whareroa community were looking forward to receiving their new picnic table which was funded through a 50/50 partnership with them and Council.
- Mayoral coffee catch up; around 3-4 members of the public attended.

##### Ms Pauline Jenkins-Lyons

- Assisted the Environmental Ranger - Programmes with organising Earth Day activities in Turangi – around 20 people turned up.
- Raised concerns on behalf of Miss Antoinette Kereopa in relation to the toilet / changing facilities at Tūrangitukua Sports Park not coping with expected numbers on Saturday, May 25 as there was a double-booking for a rugby tournament and memorial touch tournament booking. In reply, the Bookings Facilitator advised that she had been liaising with Miss Kereopa. Based on the scheduled match times / teams expected and that many people car pooled, she did not foresee that there would be any issues with the current facilities meeting requirements.

##### Mrs Karen Donlon

- Laid wreath at ANZAC Day commemorations at Turangi-Tokaanu RSA.
- Attended Business After 5. Watched promotional video showcasing Turangi commissioned by Mr Zane Cozens – great video.
- Suggested trialing a coffee catch-up (like the Mayor/CEO) for Board members.

#### TT201905/14 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Wally van der Aa

Seconded: Mrs Pauline Jenkins-Lyons

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the members' reports and community plan updates.

**CARRIED**

#### 5 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

*Note: Prior to reciting closing karakia, Cr Kingi congratulated Mr New on his appointment as Chair highlighting that it was a particularly special appointment given Mr New's strong whakapapa connections to mana whenua hapū, Ngati Tūrangitukua.*

**The Meeting closed at 2.38pm with a karakia by Cr Tangonui Kingi.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board Meeting held on 11 June 2019.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**