



Otorohanga Community Board

# MINUTES

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**OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD**

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Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held in the Council Chambers, Maniapoto Street, Otorohanga on 11 December 2019 commencing at 4.00pm.

Tanya Winter  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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## **PRESENT**

Mr. N Gadd (Chair), Crs. P McConnell & C. Christison, Mrs. K Brown-Merrin, Mr. P Coventry, Mr. A Buckman

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Ms. Tanya Winter (Chief Executive), Messrs. R Brady (Group Manager Engineering), G Bunn (Group Manager Corporate), B O'Callaghan (Finance Manager), M Lewis (Services Manager), J le Fleming (Community Facilities Manager), CA Tutty (Governance Supervisor) and Ms. T Ambury (Community and Economic Development Manager)

The Chair declared the meeting open and welcomed those present.

## **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

The Chair asked members whether they had any Declarations of conflict of interest.

Mrs. Brown-Merrin replied that she has an interest in Item 6, proposed Installation of Barbeque at the Reg Brett Reserve as she is a member of the Project Kiwiana Committee. She confirmed that she would remain in the room for this item but not take part in the discussion or voting.

It was agreed that Mrs. Brown-Merrin's declaration of interest be accepted.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Project Kiwiana – Barbeque Installation

Mrs. M Hurley (Chair) and Mrs. B Moloney (Treasurer) of the Project Kiwiana Committee spoke to Item 6, proposed Installation of Barbeque at Reg Brett Reserve, clarifying points raised in the Community Facilities Officers report. They resubmitted a proposal in addition to that included in the Agenda.

Both Mrs. Hurley and Mrs. Moloney, on behalf of the Project Kiwiana Committee favored Option 4, that the Barbeque be located three to four meters behind the Jim Barker Memorial Stone.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 12 NOVEMBER 2019**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Otorohanga Community Board held on 12 November 2019, as circulated, be approved as a true and correct record of that meeting and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

## **COUNCILLOR MCCONNELL / MR. COVENTRY**

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair presented a verbal report expressing his thanks to the previous Board in particular former Chairman Councillor McConnell.

He also expressed his thanks to Mrs. Liz Cowan for her 21 years' service to the Community and Board and said he looked forward to working with her in the future.

The Chair mentioned the following

- a) The official Stopbank Pathway opening this weekend.
- b) Attended a meeting of the Happy Valley Nutrition Liaison Group - their website is the best place to keep up to date.
- c) Otorohanga Fire Brigade 'Silverbacks Sports Team' – combat challenge.
- d) Attended a meeting with the Nehenehenui RMC in regards to a few items in particular the opening of the Stopbank Walkway.
- e) Attended the Otorohanga Christmas Parade – Credit to OBA – Lions and all other helpers.
- f) Working with Council's Chief Executive to streamline processes and strengthen communication.

**Resolved** that the Chair's verbal report be received.

## **CHAIR / COUNCILLOR CHRISTISON**

**ITEM 6 PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF BBQ AT REG BRETT RESERVE (JIM BARKER MEMORIAL PLAYGROUND)**

The Communities Facilities Officer referred members to his report which he asked to be taken as read. He asked members whether they had any questions in regards to the report.

Following discussion all members except for Mrs. Brown-Merrin (due to her conflict of interest) expressed support for option 4 outlined in the report.

**Resolved that –**

- 1) Otorohanga Community Board recommends to Council that approval be given for the installation of a BBQ at the Reg Brett Reserve.
- 2) The Board recommends to Council
  - a. That the unbudgeted expenditure of \$5000 per annum for cleaning and maintenance of the BBQ be approved. This funding would come from the Parks and Reserves cost centre.
  - b. That the BBQ be added to Council’s asset register and depreciation is fully funded.
  - c. That the BBQ be installed in the location identified in Option 4.
  - d. That Council funds the installation of a full roof over the BBQ and an extension of the concrete base. This funding is estimated at \$2,000 and would be funded from the Otorohanga Community General Reserve Fund.



**COUNCILLOR CHRISTISON / MR COVENTRY**

#### **ITEM 7 UPDATE ON THE OTOROHANGA COMMUNITY BOARD WALK AROUND OTOROHANGA**

The Community Facilities Officer referred members to the update and asked whether they have any questions on the report.

During discussion the following items were highlighted for inclusion on the table.

- 1) Removal of flaxes by the Otorohanga Railway Station.
- 2) The provision of a drinking fountain outside the District Library.

Councillor McConnell raised the issue of the Windsor Park Walkway being concreted. He was advised that this matter should be considered in the Annual Plan Process.

**Resolved** that the update on the Otorohanga Community Board walk around Otorohanga report be received.

**MRS. BROWN-MERRIN / COUNCILLOR MCCONNELL**

#### **BOARD MEMBER UPDATE**

##### **Mr. Buckman**

- Bell Lane – Consideration be given to changing this to a one-way street.
- Gradara Avenue / Kakamutu Road – Consideration to be given to the removal of a Conifer Tree blocking motorists vision.

##### **Councillor Christison**

- Enjoyed the recent Otorohanga District Development Board meeting.
- Referred to the bright colours that Picnic tables around Te Kuiti are painted and suggested whether Otorohanga could do the same.
- Issue of beneficiaries being paid a lump sum prior to Christmas.

#### **MEETING CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 4.55pm.