

PAHIATUA ON TRACK INCORPORATED

Minutes of the Pahiatua On Track Incorporated meeting held in the Pahiatua Service Centre Chamber, 136 Main Street, Pahiatua on Wednesday 3rd March 2021 commencing at 7.00pm.

1. Present

1.1 **Committee Members:** Louise Powick (Chair), Fiona Stokes (Secretary), Gerry Parker (Treasurer), Leeroy Harris, Rhys Punler, John Arends

Members of the Public: Mark Maxwell, Angela Rule, Cr Alison Franklin, Cr Raylene Treder, Karolyn Donald, Stan Wolland, Ingrid Bisset

2. Apologies

2.1 Jared Brock

3. Mark Maxwell and Angela Rule – TDC and Explore Pahiatua Signage

3.1 Angela Rule and Mark Maxwell presented to the committee regarding branding of the Tararua District and town signage - colours, designs, and layout of signs.

This will mean there is a consistent type of signage to mark the Tararua District.

3.2 Angela has invited the committee to take part in choosing the colour and images for the Pahiatua signs. A decision will be made at the next meeting and fed back to Angela.

3.3 Mark explained the district logo: “Land of Ranges” as a theme that pulls all the towns together and this will become more prominent in advertising in the district.

3.4 Angela will be assisting Louise to develop the Explore Pahiatua signage and the service signage for the Main Street upgrade.

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

4.1 Main street building maintenance.

5. Discretionary Grants

5.1 Friends of the Mangatainoka Cemetery

Grant request for moss cleaner for headstones at the cemetery.

Noted that trees at the cemetery need trimming.

That Pahiatua On Track approves \$297 to fund cleaner and a \$200 petrol voucher to say thank you to Anne Nelson for her hard work.

John Arends / Gerry Parker

Carried

5.2 Sport Manawatu

Grant request to support a Strength and Balance programme for the elderly in Pahiatua.

That Pahiatua On Track approves \$200 for the Strength and Balance class for the elderly, payment will not be made until an instructor is found.

Louise Powick

Carried

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Amend to show Rhys Punler's attendance

6.2 Amend "Tararua Law Trust" to "Bush Aquatic Trust"

6.3 That the minutes of the Pahiatua OnTrack meeting held on 3rd February 2021 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Leeroy Harris / Gerry Parker

Carried

7. Matters Arising

7.1 Pahiatua Shears – Discretionary grant requested \$575; amount paid was \$805 - the total cost of the invoice.

That Pahiatua Shears be requested to return the difference and keep the initial grant for the sound equipment next year.

Gerry Parker / Rhys Punler

Carried

8. Tararua District Council Report 24th February 2021

- 8.1** A written report on the Council meeting from Cr Alison Franklin is received and circulated. Highlighting developments at Pukaha Mount Bruce.
- 8.2** Louise Powick asked for clarification on the road works, Alison confirmed this is currently under NZTA management. Request for Council to put some pressure on NZTA. Alison has suggested making a CRM about the road conditions.
- 8.3** Louise Powick also raised concern around the Mangahao Road entrance to town. The railings need painting and weed management need to be undertaken. Alison will follow this matter up.

That the report of the Tararua District Council meeting held on 24th February 2021 (as circulated) be received.

Leeroy Harris / Fiona Stokes

Carried

9. Correspondence Inwards

- 9.1** Email from Byron Bentley – Henry Sedcole’s decedent regarding the Sedcole Flagpole. Byron is requesting a piece of the flagpole is placed into a glass display in the Main Street including a plaque to highlight the significant history of the flagpole.

Louise Powick will make contact with Byron and explain that a replica is being built using the original plaques.

Louise Powick will also follow up with Cr Shirley Hull to add the Sedcole Flagpole to the town story boards.

That the inwards correspondence be received.

Louise Powick

Carried

10. Financial Report

- 10.1** That the financial report be received and accounts approved for payment.

Gerry Parker / Fiona Stokes

Carried

10.2 Invoices to be paid:

Funding for Smith's Track - \$820

Discretionary Grant: Friends of the Managtainoka Cemetery plus petrol voucher - \$497

Discretionary Grant: Sport Manawatu - \$200

11. Swimming Pool

11.1 Bush Aquatic Trust (Te Reo)

Te Kauhanga O Rongomai – the swimming place of Rongomai.

11.2 The site has been deemed suitable for the pool build. There will be a meeting on site to decide the location of the pool next Friday.

11.3 The tender process for the pool has started.

11.4 Inaugural Bush Aquatic Trust meeting is to be held on Friday 12th March.

12. Harvard Slide

12.1 No report

13. Pahiatua Community Award

13.1 Louise Powick has received a phone call from Martin Beach around nominating someone for the Pahiatua Community Award.

The committee agreed that this fits under the umbrella of a Civic Award.

14. Youth Centre

14.1 Repairs and maintenance of the building was discussed.

Louise Powick will look to find someone to undertake flooring and roofing repairs and fix two doors.

14.2 The Youth Centre needs new sofas; staff have been encouraged to complete a discretionary grant application.

15. Public Excluded Item of Business

15.1 *That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:*

Alternative Education Proposal

Louise Powick **Carried**

15.2 *That open meeting be resumed.*

Louise Powick **Carried**

16. Portfolio Reports

16.1 Cycleway Walkway Project

Rhys Punler gave an update on developments on the Smith's Track. This is now a shovel ready project. Estimates are at \$820 for materials.

Rhys is to follow up with Aimee Charmley regarding paper road policies.

There is potential for a lime track on Ridge Road as a next step for development.

That the committee approve \$820 for the funding of developments for the Smith's Track walk and cycleway.

Rhys Punler / Leeroy Harris **Carried**

16.2 Main Street Upgrade Unveiling

The upgrade unveiling is still not yet planned. Kimberley Stevens will be working on this.

Louise Powick has asked committee members to send her any ideas for this.

16.3 Carnival Park

Gerry Parker reports he has contacted Heritage New Zealand and they are keen to get on board with the pond restoration. More information is required.

Discussions are ongoing around funding for boundary fences to be replaced, there is funding available and it is hopeful Carnival Park will be successful in securing some of this.

Gerry is undertaking a project using sound recording equipment to look for the New Zealand long-tailed bat in the bush area at Carnival Park as this could enable funding.

16.4 Business Groups

The Chamber has been disbanded. Mark Maxwell is now setting up “Business Groups” under the district’s community boards. Ingrid Bisset is keen to undertake this work and form a subcommittee for Pahiatua retail.

That Ingrid Bisset be co-opted on to the Pahiatua On Track Committee.

Louise Powick

Carried

17. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

17.1 John Arends raised a point around Main Street buildings needing maintenance.

Cr Alison Franklin suggests waiting for earthquake strengthening of buildings as some verandahs may need to come down and maintenance be undertaken.

The meeting closed at 9.13pm.

Chairperson - Louise Powick