Minutes – Murupara Community Board 23 September 2024

WHAKATĀNE District Council Kia Whakatāne au i ahau	Details of Meeting:	MURUPARA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT MINGINUI FIRE STATION, 767R MINGINUI ROAD, MINGINUI, MONDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2024 COMMENCING AT 10:09 AM
	Present:	Board Members M K Honeycombe (Chairperson), S Jones, J Morgan-Ranui, I Prentice and A Silcock
	In Attendance:	Councillor Iles, V Richards (Strategic Coordinator), and S Duffy (Senior Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	Vale Ruri, and Dee Elia (Uenuku Mareikura)
	Apologies:	Councillor Rangiaho and Member M Edmonds

Chairperson Honeycombe welcomed all to the meeting and opened with a Karakia. She acknowledged the residents attending and thanked them for their hospitality.

1 APOLOGIES

Moved Member Silcock / Seconded Member Jones

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board accept the apology from Councillor Rangiaho and Member M Edmonds for the 23 September 2024 meeting.

CARRIED

An apology was also noted for Kaumatua Tupe.

2 LATE ITEM

Moved Member Prentice / Seconded Member Morgan-Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the MCB **considers**, pursuant to section 46A of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, the following item at this meeting:

- i) Late item: Recognition of Galina from All Paws for her volunteer role in animal welfare and animal safety within the Murupara area.
- ii) Reason for lateness: Due to timing, as the person is relocating to the South Island before the next scheduled Board meeting in November.

CARRIED

3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

The Keep Whakatane Beautiful Committee was thanked for the donation of almond trees to our district.

The Board was acknowledged for their participation at the recent Combined Community Board meeting and for the work they are doing as a Board.

4 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Chairperson Honeycombe declared an interest in the Galatea School item, as her son attends Galatea School.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

Refer to pages 8-13 of the agenda.

Moved Member Silcock / Seconded Member Morgan-Ranui

Clarifications:

Activity Report reference to Murupara Area School

Activity Report clarification to discussions held regarding the Long Term Plan.

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Murupara Community Board held on Monday, 29 July 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 REPORTS

6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report

Refer to pages 14-27 of the agenda.

Attendance: Chairperson Honeycombe left the meeting at 10:32 am and re-entered at 10:33 am.

During discussion the following points were noted:

- It was requested the trees on Oak Street be pruned.
- Member Silcock would provide feedback to Council suggestions/ideas for annual tree planting.
- A representative from larau and Orua Consultants would speak to the Board at a future date about the Better Off Funding Southern Town Regeneration project for Minginui and Murupara.
- It was requested the Diversity Equity and Inclusion Policy consultation with the Board occur at as
 a separate workshop; to be held in Murupara and the Board would advertise to their community
 contacts to also attend.
- The Keep Whakatāne Beautiful Committee colouring competition was underway.

Attendance: Ms Elia entered the meeting 10:35 am.

- Papakāinga development; Council resolved to sell the property to Ngāti Manawa on the 15
 December 2022 with purchase price informed by valuation.
- Murupara Area School to operate under a new agreement and Community to know hall is available for use
- Murupara Swimming Pool was expected to open on 26 October, once required maintenance work was complete.
- Member Silcock informed the board a proposal from Drowning Prevention Aotearoa, to conduct Inland Water Hazard Assessments to help improve aquatic safety in the area. Member Silcock and contacted various Stakeholders and organisations and was yet to speak with Council staff about the proposal. The Board agreed in principle for Member Silcock to continue initial investigations.

Moved Member Jones / Seconded Member Morgan-Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board Activity – September 2024 report be received.

CARRIED

7 PUBLIC FORUM

7.1 Alzheimer's Society Eastern Bay of Plenty Incorporated

Due to a meeting clash, an apology was received that the Alzheimer Society representative could not attend the meeting.

7.2 Vale Ruri

As a resident of the area, Ms Ruri raised concerns regarding the introduction of the fee at the Murupara Transfer Station and the impact it would have on the Minginui community. She explained volunteers collected rubbish in the gorge and that twice a week locals transported rubbish from Minginui to Murupara.

Ms Ruri spoke of icy on local roads and requested the addition of 'grit' would help reduce the likelihood of potential accidents. In conclusion, she expressed dissatisfaction at the high costs for the clearing of septic tanks.

7.3 Uenuku Mareikura

Ms Dee spoke of the successful inaugural Murupara Suicide Awareness Day held in September 2023. She said the 2024 event was planned for 7 November and the focus would be on selfcare and supporting whānau and the community. Ms Dee advised that the keynote speakers all had associations with 'suicide'.

In response to queries, Ms Dee explained the following:

- i) The event was planned for the Thursday as services attending the event were unavailable for a weekend and that she did not believe this would impact numbers attending.
- ii) The group had initially approached local pampering services but without success
- iii) Group members with limited in numbers and in fulltime employment, which impacted the ability to fundraise.

Attendance: Ms Elia left the meeting at 11:28 am.

7.4 MCB Discretionary Funds – September 2024

Refer to pages 28-69 of the agenda.

7.4.1 Galatea School

Members felt the application was incomplete, and without a representative present members could not ask questions they had, hence would defer the application.

Due to the declared conflict Chairperson Honeycombe did not vote on the motion.

Moved Member Silcock / Seconded Member Morgan-Ranui

RESOLVED:

1. THAT the MCB Funding Application – September 2024 report be received; and

2. THAT the application from the Galatea School *Te Kura o Kuhawaea* be **deferred** to a future MCB meeting as they felt the application was incomplete and the Board Members raised questions related to the application that could not be asked/answered.

CARRIED

7.4.2 Alzheimer's Society Eastern Bay of Plenty Incorporated

Members had questions of clarification regarding the application. It was proposed the application was deferred.

Moved Member Morgan-Ranui / Seconded Member Silcock

RESOLVED:

THAT the application from the Alzheimer's Society Eastern Bay of Plenty Incorporated be **deferred** to a future MCB meeting as the Board Members raised questions related to the application that could not be asked/answered.

CARRIED

7.4.3 Uenuku Mareikura

A discussion ensued regarding the breakdown oof costs for the event.

Moved Member Prentice / Seconded Member Morgan-Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT up to a total of \$1165 be **allocated** from the Murupara Community Board Discretionary Fund to Uenuku Mareikura to assist with the itemised costs listed, for the Annual Suicide Awareness Day on Thursday, 7 November 2024; noting also that consideration is to be given to purchasing of items locally in Murupara.

Sausage sizzle	\$350
Rolling Cuppa Tea	\$50
Cakes, fresh fruit, marshmallows, pineapple lumps, skewers, napkins	
Lunch packs for guests	

CARRIED

8 Chairperson and Councillor Reporting

8.1 Chairperson Report – September 2024

Refer to pages 70-73 of the agenda.

Attendance: Member Jones left the meeting at 12 noon and re-entered the meeting at 12:02 pm.

Member Jones spoke of the work carried out by Galina Turisheva for the past seven years; including animal rescues, intervention, animal health and welfare. She was very passionate about this volunteer work and was a 24/7 role. Ms Turisheva carried out fundraising to cover her costs, organised free animal sexing, rehomed and fostered animals. She had recently featured on TV1 Good Sorts programme and would be sadly missed in the Murupara communities. Fundraises for costs, donations for venues, free desexing, rehomes and fosters.

Moved Member Jones / Seconded Member Prentice

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board **acknowledge** Galina Turisheva from All Paws for her animal welfare and animal safety volunteer work within the Murupara area and, from the discretionary grant fund, **allocate** a payment of \$300 for fuel, to assist costs with her relocation south.

CARRIED

Moved Member Silcock /Seconded Member Prentice

RESOLVED:

THAT the Chairperson's Report – September 2024 report be **received**.

CARRIED

8.2 Councillors Report

Refer to pages 74-75 of the agenda.

Moved Member Silcock / Seconded Member Morgan-Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the Councillor's Report – September 2024 report be **received**.

CARRIED

8.3 CONFERENCE REPORT

Moved Member Morgan-Ranui / Seconded Member Prentice

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board **receive** the Conference 2024 Report.

CARRIED

It was suggested profiles of community members could feature in upcoming Board newsletters.

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA FROM CHAIRPERSON HONEYCOMBE AT 12:24 PM.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:	
CHAIRPERSON	