



UNCONFIRMED Minutes

of the

Mercury Bay Community Board

Ordinary Meeting

Date 14 April 2015
Venue Mercury Bay Community Board Room
10 Monk Street
Whitianga

Present
MP Kelly JP (Chairperson) DJ Connell
WD McLean
MK McLean JP

In Attendance

Name	Item(s)
Glenn Leach (Mayor)	All items
David Hammond (Chief Executive)	Items 3.1 - 5
Sam Marshall (Area Manager Mercury Bay)	All items
Kirstin Richmond (Community Co-ordinator Mercury Bay)	All items
Allan Tiplady (Programme Manager Mercury Bay)	All items
Larna White (Communications Manager)	All items

Table of Contents

Item Business	Page No.
1 Meeting Conduct	3
1.1 Apologies	3
1.2 Public Forum	3
1.3 Items not on the Agenda	4
1.4 Conflict of Interest	4
1.5 Minutes for confirmation	4
1.6 March 2015 - Mercury Bay Community Board Correspondence	4
2 Governance	5
2.1 Bayview Place Streetlight Options Report	5
2.2 Reducing street lighting in Matarangi	5
3 Local Activities: Policy/Levels of Service Operational	7
3.1 Acquisition of land - Matarangi Tennis Courts	7
3.2 March 2015 - Mercury Bay Community Board Work Programme	8
4 Reports	8
4.1 Members' Reports	8

1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

Tony Fox
Paul Hopkins
David French

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Connell

1.2 Public Forum

Brian Cameron - Resident, Opito Bay

Mr Cameron advised the Community Board of his concerns regarding freedom camping at Moore Crescent Reserve, Opito Bay. Mr Cameron outlined safety concerns regarding the large campervans using the Black Jack Rd and issues relating to flooding at the reserve. There is also concerns with the residents regarding their rates being used to fund compliance offers to monitor the Moore Crescent Reserve. Mr Cameron requests prohibition of freedom camping at Opito Bay.

Amy Hyde - Resident, Opito Bay

Amy tabled a letter which had already been sent into the Community Board. She also tabled photographs of bylaw breaches and noted that she would like her comment retracted from the February Community Board meeting stating she would like the freedom camping area relocated to the Stuart Stream Reserve.

Debbie Farrell - Resident, Whitianga

Mrs Farrell thanked staff for the ANZAC flags currently up in Whitianga and advised that she would like to see something similar for the Buffalo celebrations in July and also flags to commemorate Cook in 2019.

Keith Vernon - Resident - Ferry Landing

Mr Vernon tabled a letter in response to Sam Edlins report regarding street lighting in Ferry Landing. This letter outlined Mr Vernons preference on street lighting at Ferry Landing which is a 4.2m Spunlite pole with a 1.3m outreach arm listed as Option 3 on Sam Edlins report.

A letter was read on behalf of Glen Howes - Opito Bay Resident.

Mr Howes has concerns with the large Motor Homes using the Black Jack Rd, he believes there is legal and safety issues. Mr Howes also advised that there is now a reduction of landing options for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter at Opito Bay.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the speakers in public forum.

Moved/Seconded By: Connell/McLean

1.3 Items not on the Agenda

No items were added to the agenda

1.4 Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.5 Minutes for confirmation

The minutes for the Mercury Bay Community Board meeting held on 17 February 2015 were presented for confirmation.

Discussion

Keith Vernon would like it noted that under section 1.2 Public Form from the 17 February 2015 minutes that in his response to Sam Edlin he is noted as saying residents think it is useful when it should read 'some' residents think it is useful.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Confirms the minutes of the Mercury Bay Community Board meeting held on 17 February 2015.

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Connell

1.6 March 2015 - Mercury Bay Community Board Correspondence

The Community Board was provided with an update of correspondence received from the Mercury Bay Community.

Discussion

Paul Kelly advised there had been a letter received from Paul Cook, resident, Opito Bay - a summation of all suggested issues at Opito Bay regarding the freedom camping issues. Paul Kelly advised that at the Resident and Ratepayers meeting held 5 April 2015 there was agreement that Mr Cook would be the point of contact for the Community Board regarding any freedom camping issues.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the March 2015 - Mercury Bay Community Board correspondence report.
2. Receives the tabled items

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Connell

2 Governance

2.1 Bayview Place Streetlight Options Report

The Mercury Bay Community Board was provided with preferred options in regards to the request from property owners on Bayview Place, Ferry Landing to reduce the effects of the new street light installed at the Bayview Place cul-de-sac.

Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Bayview Place Streetlight Options' report.
2. Decided on their preferred option of no.3 on Sams Edlins report being a 4.2m pole with a 1.3 meter shift, a galvanised pole with no painting to address the issues raised by the property owner of 9 Bayview Place regarding the new street light.

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Kelly

2.2 Reducing street lighting in Matarangi

Mercury Bay Community Board was asked to decide how they want to proceed regarding reducing the amount of street lighting in Matarangi.

Discussion

Paul Kelly advised that most residents have advised that they would like the lighting reduced in Matarangi. There would be a saving of approximately \$10,000.00 per annum. Twelve of the poles to be removed will be re-used to replace poles that are damaged and require replacing.

A workshop will take place within 12 weeks to discuss the code of practise regarding street lighting.

Resolved:

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Reducing street lighting in Matarangi' report.

2. Decides on how they wish to proceed in regards to reducing street lighting in Matarangi.
3. Approves staff recommendation that the specific ward requirements in the code of practice for subdivisions and land development for street lighting are reviewed.
4. Moved that the Chair Paul Kelly has delegated authority regarding funding.

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Connell

3 Local Activities: Policy/Levels of Service Operational

3.1 Acquisition of land - Matarangi Tennis Courts

For Mercury Bay Community Board to consider the acquisition of land that comprises three of the five parcels of land that make up Matarangi tennis courts. The sites are located at 100 Matarangi Drive (2 courts), 105 Matai Place (2 courts) and 624 Matarangi Drive (2 courts)-Matarangi.

Discussion:

Paul Kelly provided an overview of the report and advised that three tennis courts will be transferred to Council as Reserve, there will be no rates payable on them. Paul also advised that the Matarangi Ratepayers has \$17,500.00 that they will contribute for refurbishing of the tennis courts. The total amount required to bring the tennis courts up to standard is in the vicinity of \$60,000.00. Sam Marshall advised that the future significant costs will sit with the Community.

Glenn Leach advised that the land needs to be secured.

5 Resolved:

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Confirms that it approves the acquisition and ownership of the land and all associated facilities within or upon the land legally described as Lot 12 DPS 79697 (624 Matarangi Drive, Matarangi), Lot 524 DPS 39800 (105 Matai Place, Matarangi), Lot 516 DPS 36944 (100 Matarangi Drive, Matarangi) and delegates to the Chief Executive authority to complete all necessary documentation to complete the transfer of ownership.
3. Confirms that once in Council ownership Council declares the land parcels land described as Lot 12 DPS 79697 (624 Matarangi Drive, Matarangi), Lot 524 DPS 39800 (105 Matai Place, Matarangi) and Lot 516 DPS 36944 (100 Matarangi Drive, Matarangi) respectively, to be recreation reserve subject to the Reserves Act 1977, and delegates the Chief Executive authority to give the necessary public notice in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977.
4. Instructs the Chief Executive that in the event that there are no objections to the classification of the land as reserve to attend to the gazettal and any other outstanding items associated with the completion of the transfer and land status of the land described as Lot 12 DPS 79697 (624 Matarangi Drive, Matarangi), Lot 524 DPS 39800 (105 Matai Place, Matarangi) and Lot 516 DPS 36944 (100 Matarangi Drive, Matarangi).
5. Notes that the transfer is on a zero payment basis and that development or reserve contribution credits will not be given in association with this transfer and that the Burfoot Limited is responsible for payment of all outstanding rates on the parcels until the date of transfer.
6. There is acknowledgement by the Community Board that further investigations regarding operational costs will be required to take place.

Moved/Seconded By: McLean/Kelly

3.2 March 2015 - Mercury Bay Community Board Work Programme

The Mercury Bay Community was provided with an update on their 2014/2015 Work Programme.

Discussion:

Allan Tiplady advised the Buffalo Beach wall project will commence week beginning 20 April 2015, there is also currently survey work being completed at the Cemetery.

There will be a restoration plan commencing at the Taputapuatea Spit (Mother Browns) by the Royal Forest and Bird Society.

Resolved:

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'March 2015 - Mercury Bay Community Board Work Programme' report.
2. Would like to advise the Royal Forest and Bird Society to give consideration to the Reserve Management Plan prior to commencing their restoration works.
3. Deli Connell has been delegated from the Community Board to work with staff and the Reserve Committee on this project.

Moved/Seconded By: Kelly/BMcLean

4 Reports

4.1 Members' Reports

Murray McLean

Murray advised that he will not be at the meeting on 19 May 2015

Glenn Leach

Mayor Glenn Leach advised that the freedom camping hotspots were heating up. TCDC do not have the resources to manage all the hotspots in the TCDC, Glenn suggested that we need to have local people enforcing bylaws locally. Locals enforcing a local identity.

LTP - Regional Councils are supporting dairy herds on the Coromandel. Submissions had changed on investment funds - TCDC will not support the funds to be a subsidy on Regional Council Rates.

Deli Connell

Deli advised she had attended the Community Response meeting. There was a WRC talk on the Chile earthquake which caused exposure to the Buffalo, modelling was being done around this event. Deli had also attended the Hahei Ratepayers meeting where Bill Stead was elected as the new Chair. Hahei Ratepayers Association will be reviewing their Community Plans.

Paul Kelly

Chair Paul Kelly advised that he had been to Gisborne to attend a national hui regarding Cook, alongside members of the Cook 250 Trust. Paul had also attended both the Kuaotunu and the Opito Bay Rate Payers meetings. There was thanks given to staff and to the Community Board from the Courtenay family for assistance to the installation of their memorial seat in Kuaotunu. Opito ratepayers have concerns with freedom camping, Black Jack Road safety and Crayfish Bay access.

Recommended

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the Members' Reports.

Meeting Closed at 15:17

The foregoing Minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Mercury Bay Community Board held on 14 April 2015

Chairperson _____ Date _____

