

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Onemana Ratepayers Association held on Sunday 6 January 2013 commencing at 10 am in the Community Centre.

### **Present**

Representatives from the following families were in attendance:

Alder	Holdsworth	Stafford
Baker	Hollings (2)	Tankard (2)
Brooker	Hunt	Turk
Burgoyne (2)	Hutchings (2)	Walker
Campbell (2)	Jefferis	Wannan
Chamberlain	Kavanagh	Wedgwood (2)
Donovan (2)	Kowalewicz	Fletcher (visitor)
Frenchum	Kuper	Lascelles (visitor)
Haughey	Penberth	Garry Towler (TCDC)
Hazel	Rapley	Jan Bartley (TCDC)
Hodges	Sedin	

### **Welcome and Introductions**

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **Apologies**

Ron Jones

### **Minutes of 2012 AGM**

The following amendments were made to the 2011 AGM Minutes:

Addition of surname in list of those present (Rupert Holdsworth)  
 Addition of names to list of existing committee members (Phil Stafford and Ron Jones)  
 Change of date from 2010 to 2011 under Minutes of Previous Meeting.

With the above changes it was moved (J Hollings) and seconded (D Kavanagh) that the minutes of the 2012 AGM, having previously been circulated, be taken as read and approved as a true and accurate record. Carried

### **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

*Tuna Place Bore:* Work had commenced on the installation of a new pump, however the contractors had difficulty removing the old bore. Work has ceased over the holiday period however The Grove pump is providing all water needs. Work on the Tuna Place bore is still on-going.

*Community Centre Maintenance:* The interior painting and installation of a new carpet has been financed by the ORA and the new curtains have kindly been donated by Chris Riches.

*Surf Club Update:* Ratepayers will recently have received a letter from TCDC and also a newsletter from the Surf Club outlining the current situation.

*Tennis Courts:* The tennis courts and fencing have now been upgraded (although the gate latch needs attention). Thanks to John Duncan who is carrying out the self maintenance programme three times a year.

*Access from Main Road:* Transit NZ have been approached on several occasions requesting the provision of a turning lane for traffic coming from the north. However, there is currently no funding available and until there is an accident nothing will be done about this turning.

*Mining:* Due to the shortage of rigs there was no activity in the Onemana area in 2012 and there are currently no plans for any activity in 2013.

## **Reports**

The Chairperson read her report and a copy is attached to the minutes.

It was moved (D Kavanagh) and seconded (B Turk) that the Chairperson's report be accepted.

Carried

The Treasurer presented the financial report and explained that the payment to the Fire Force of \$45 was a payment which had been made to ORA in error and the unrepresented cheque for \$132.25 was for a rabbit cull which had been paid by TCDC.

It was moved (R Frenchum) and seconded (R Hutchings) that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Carried

## **Subscriptions**

It was moved (R Frenchum) and seconded (B Turk) that the Association's subscription for 2013 remain at \$15 per household.

Carried

## **Auditor**

The Treasurer thanked Julie Pizzini for stepping in and reviewing the accounts for the 2012 year.

The Treasurer advised that the firm who had previously audited the annual accounts had advised they were no longer able to continue in this role.

There was discussion about a change to the ORA constitution to allow for a review of the annual accounts rather than an audit.

It was moved (E Sedin) and seconded (N Baker) that the Association would (as required by rule 9 of the constitution) give two weeks notice to members of its intention to change rule 10 iii. This rule currently states "To receive the Auditor's report" and is to be changed to allow the accounts to be reviewed rather than audited by a chartered accountant approved by the Institute of Chartered Companies.

Carried

All members are to be sent details of this proposed change to allow them to vote on the matter.

Barry Turk moved a vote of thanks to Ron Frenchum for his work as Treasurer for the Association over many years.

## **Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members**

It was moved (B Turk) and seconded (D Kavanagh) that Erika Sedin be elected as Chairperson. As there were no other nominations Erika was elected to the position.

Carried

It was moved (E Sedin) and seconded (P Kowalewicz) that Ken Wedgwood be elected as Treasurer. As there were no other nominations Ken was elected to the position. Carried

It was moved (E Sedin) and seconded (R Hutchings) that Anne Duncan be elected as Secretary. As there were no other nominations Anne was elected to the position. Carried

Phil Stafford has resigned from the Committee and it was moved (E Sedin) and seconded (B Turk) that Ron Frenchum be elected to the Committee. Carried

As there was no further nominations for the Committee, it was moved (E Sedin) and seconded (R Hutchings) that the following existing Committee members be re-elected:

Peter Kowalewicz	John Duncan	Grant Murray
John Hutchings	Neil Baker	Dennis Kavanagh
Rosemary Hutchings	Ron Jones	

Carried

### General Business

*Mowing Proposal:* The TCDC proposal is that the frequency of mowing would be reduced in the winter months, the dunes would be extended and further planting would be carried out which would result in less mowing.

Garry Towler from TCDC explained that there would be no change to the frequency of mowing during the summer months, in winter the frequency would be reduced by 50% and in the autumn period the frequency would be reduced by 25%.

It was noted that the current contractors were being paid when the mowing was not always being carried out, especially in the area of the creek by the chalets as this area was often too wet to be mowed. Whichever contractor is awarded the new contract they need to be accountable and only paid for the work they actually do.

It was moved (E Sedin) and seconded (P Burgoyne) that the ORA request TCDC to retain the current mowing frequency for Onemana and ensure that the contract is complied with. Carried

Following further discussion it was moved (E Sedin) and seconded (K Kuper) that a sub committee be formed to liaise with the ORA committee on a long term plan planting in Onemana. Carried

The sub committee, consisting of Arthur Haughey (Chair), Siouxie Fletcher, Karl Kuper, Geoff and Holly Hollings and Wendy Tankard, would meet in the near future to start work on this project.

At this point Jo Adams from the Onemana Fire Force joined the meeting and updated those present on the current situation with the Fire Force. He reminded members that in the event of a tsunami the fire truck would go round the streets with the siren going constantly.

*Road Sign:* There was considerable discussion about the new sign which has been erected at the turn off to Onemana. Feedback had been received from some members that they were concerned about safety and that the sign advertised a lot of beach houses which would be vacant for most of the year. Other comments were to the effect that the businesses were the hub of the community and should be supported.

It was moved (A Burgoyne) and seconded (B Turk) that the ORA make a donation of \$400 to the cost of the sign with the provision that the timber framing is painted white.

An amendment to this motion was moved (P Burgoyne) and seconded (B Jefferis) that the ORA pay for the cost of the sign and the businesses advertised on the sign cover the cost of rental and maintenance of the sign.

A further amendment was moved (P Burgoyne) and seconded (Neville?) that the ORA make a donation of \$800 towards the cost of the sign. Carried

Eight members voted against this motion.

### *2013 Projects*

The following projects were suggested for the coming year:

Improvement of creek below Chalets  
 Landscaping  
 Walkway to top of hill  
 BBQ tables  
 Petanque court upgrade  
 More rubbish bins

Members were reminded about the Request for Service (RFS) offered by TCDC whereby anyone could phone and advise of remedial work required.

### *Main Road Turn Off*

It was felt that Transit NZ should be reminded of this issue on a regular basis and ideas for doing this would be welcomed. It was agreed that the cost of this work should be obtained.

### *Dog Bye Laws*

Concern has been raised about the number of out of control dogs on the beach and their effect on the breeding birds. Erika pointed out that the bye law for Onemana had been changed two years ago but unfortunately the TCDC web page and booklet had not been correctly updated. Everyone needs to be aware of the rules and report any incidents concerning dogs to the honorary dog warden (Peter Kowalewicz) who will follow up with the Dog Ranger.

### *Thanks*

Thanks were noted to the Surf Life Saving Club for the great work that they do, TCDC for their wonderful Summer Book and those involved in organising the Family Summer Fun Day on the beach.

A letter of thanks is to be sent to Lou Mackwell, TCDC, for his support of Onemana.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.55 am.

Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Erika Sedin

Date \_\_\_\_\_