



Minutes of the Committee meeting held Saturday, 9 March 2024 8.35 am.

At the Surf Club

Present: Ruhi, Carol, Jennie, Kim, Alan, Jill, Annabelle, Rob and Anna

Apologies: Erika

Guest: John Freer from 9.20am until 9.40am

8.30 am

Welcome and Update by Chair

Apologies: Erica

Approve/Amend committee meeting minutes of 10th Feb 2023 (attached)

Moved: Kim/seconded Ruhi

Matters arising from the previous minutes

Covered off outstanding actions.

Correspondence (attached)

- Inwards
- Outwards

Moved: Kim/seconded Rob

Good response from market day attendees in response to proposed rate increase. 10 out of 12 responded positively.

Treasurer's Reports

- Market day income \$1150 less expenses (total likely to be just about \$4000)
- \$8400 surplus currently
- \$21000 in bank account +\$10000 on term deposit

Moved: Jennie/Seconded Carol

Motion: Jennie moved that ORCA put \$10k on term, \$1500 in bank account and the rest on rapid save. Seconded: Rob, Carried

Jennie to progress this

Events (see attached report from Sandra)

Sandra happy to swap out the quiz night in April if we want to use this date for the volunteers night. Committee agreed this was a good idea.

Moved: Rob /Bruce seconded



Rob will inform Sandra.

Ruhi to provide list of people to invite to Sandra asap. (Invites should be from ORCA though and not something Sandra needs to deal with).

Discussed timing of the Family Fun Day as Annabelle and most of the committee are not around for labour weekend. Agreed on second weekend of the September school holidays (back up can be last weekend if wet).

Environment and Maintenance

- Tuna place working bee completed 7th and 8th March - small turnout but making progress on the track with others still working on other tracks as well. Trees and shrubs planted last year seem to be surviving quite well, and wet weather has helped. There is still about \$500 left of the donated money to spend on plants.
- ORCA hasn't got permission for planting along the tennis courts yet. **Ruhi** to follow up on this with TCDC.
- **Bruce** will investigate whether there are any plants that will cope with the soil conditions there.
- We need to consider impact on mowing and maintenance could be a problem.
- **Kim** to email Les and Chris re meeting updates for environment.
- New track from Onemana towards Pokohino along the cliff edge has been constructed by Howard and Graeme. Hasn't made it all the way yet but when completed will cut out a lot of the forestry road.

Community Board Meetings

Erica sent dates, added responsibility but only until October. Reassess how that goes
9th April-Ruhi/Bruce, 4th June-Rob, 17th July Annabelle, 10th Sept : Carol, 22 Oct

21st March meeting with Len Salt TCDC- Ruhi to attend. Unfortunately same day Beach Hop is on in Thames. Ruhi spoke to Rob, not happy to change the date as so many organisations involved. John may also be able to get there. **Anyone else interested please contact Ruhi.**

General Business

Coastal Plan- discussion initiated by Alan

Alan spoke about his view of the Reserve Act and Coastal Plan eg Section 41 of the TCDC District Plan and what this means to him. The reserves are open spaces for activities to occur (eg sports and recreation) and not for more amenities (non-removal structures) to be built on these.

Others have different interpretations of what the plan says/means.



The majority of the committee did not want the full 14-15 pages of S41 District Plan added to the community plan. A compromise possibly reached with the suggestion that at least the first page be included in the community plan. Annabelle suggested adding a reference to the District Plan s41 to the CP.

Some disagreement still about what this district plan means for Onemana and ORCA decisions and the recommendation was for all the committee to read the relevant sections so it can be discussed more fully at the next meeting.

Rob to circulate section 41 and **Alan** send out reserves act (done). **All to read** these pre April meeting so the discussion can be continued.

Update on Forum Actions

Alan was concerned that the forum only had 22 rate payers at the meeting and we were basing ideas on this number (in fact 26 people signed the register and the number attending was over 30). A lot of discussion about process and how else do we inform ourselves of what the community wants, if not by the forum.

Motion: Rob moved that we continue going through the Forum Actions regardless of the number of people attending. Second Kim, Carried 8:1

Decisions and some responsibilities allocated-see updated list in appendix

Discuss Community plan process.

All to read Kims draft paper on Community Plan process document before the next meeting so a decision can be reached about the options presented

Meeting procedure (see from Annabelle)

Motion: Ruhi moved that we adopt the meeting procedure document and use for future public meetings as well. Seconded: Anna. Carried

Coromandel Alliance (John Freer present for this discussion)

- Updated committee about the history of the formation of the ratepayers alliance.
- 9 organisations represented, 8 apologies.
- The tenure of the meeting was very focused on could an alliance be established to better represent the coromandel community collectively.
- Initially looking where we can come together to respond to what council is doing. Then realised there were lots of other agencies that affect us like police, rescue



helicopters, medical facilities and ambulances etc and that a collective approach could help us ensure these are adequate for the region.

- Main concern at present is over the level of power that community boards have (little to non-existent) and also Area managers lack of authority to make local decisions (needing to go back to Thames head-office to approve everything).
- March 21 meeting set up by TCDC, Alliance will attend and have 10-15mins. Rob Boston and Brent Page to speak
- Propose to meet 3-4 x per year or as required.

Motion: Ruhi moved that ORCA be a part of the Alliance for the coromandel. Seconded: Rob. Carried.

Long Term Plan Submission

Bruce has organised a meeting for Monday 25th at 5pm at the surf club for those interested in commenting. Those attending need to read long term plan pre meeting and come prepared to contribute/discuss their ideas. Bruce encourages comments and thoughts to be circulated pre meeting where possible.

Bruce circulated last year's submission to committee post meeting.

Other General

Ruhi indicated the ORCA urn needs to be replaced. **Jennie** to check the one she has to see if suitable and let Ruhi know.

Closed 10.33am

Next Meetings

Date	Morning Tea	Date	Morning Tea
February-10th	Carol	August-10 th	
March-9 th	Anna	September-14 th	
April-13 th	Bruce	October-12 th	
May-11 th		November-9th	
June-8 th		December-7 th or 14th	
July-13 th		Jan 2nd 2025- AGM	