

Minutes of the 72nd Annual General Meeting of the Piha Ratepayers' and Residents' Association held on Sunday 7 January 2012 at 7.30 p.m. in the Barnett Hall, North Piha.

Present: Graeme Webber, President, and approximately 22 members, Sandra Coney, Auckland Council Councillor, Denise Yates, Chairperson, Waitakere Ranges Local Board.

Apologies: Graham Caley, Jane Caley, Monique Olivier, Kath Dewar, Marit Larson, Tony Dunn, Michael Murphy, Jane O'Connor, Jean Shaw.

The President opened the meeting at 7.40 p.m. He welcomed the members, Sandra Coney, Councillor, Denise Yates, Waitakere Ranges Local Board, and John Dragicevich, Auckland Council, Manager of Waste Management to the meeting. He then called for apologies.

Apologies

The President called for apologies.

Motion 1. That the apologies be accepted.

Carried

Helen Pearce/ Jan O'Connor

Presentation

The President then invited John Dragicevich, Auckland Council, to address the meeting on Auckland Council proposals for a future waste management system. John Dragicevich then made a power point presentation which outlined the present 7 different waste management systems in the Auckland Council area. The Auckland Council has produced a Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan on which submissions are invited, to close on 31 January, 2012. He told the meeting there will be no changes until 2015 with a 3 year community education programme before that date. The Council will establish a new by-law covering waste management by October 2012.

John Dragicevich then answered questions from the meeting on his presentation. The President thanked him for his presentation.

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Motion 2. That the minutes of the 71st Annual General Meeting of 23 January 2011 be confirmed as a true and accurate record, with the amendment of Hamish Codey to read, Hamish Coney.

Carried

Jan O'Connor/ Ken Cowan

Matters Arising

Fireworks

Sandra Coney referred to the subject of fireworks, reporting that the previous Waitakere Council had passed a by-law prohibiting the use of fireworks on public land which did not cover private land. She reported that she, Peter Hosking and Helen Pearce had distributed a flyer about the dangers of fireworks to many properties in Piha before the

New Year and they had received a very positive response to the flyer. She reported that fireworks had been let off on private land on a tenanted property on New Year's Eve throughout the early morning but despite the matter being reported to the Police, no action had been taken.

Motion 3. That the Committee continue its advocacy and education on fireworks, advocate for stronger enforcement of by-laws regarding fireworks and for a legal ban on fireworks on private property.

Carried

Sandra Coney/ Graeme Webber

Bobbie Carroll requested that her vote against the motion be recorded.

President's Report

The President, Graeme Webber, presented his annual report, (attached).

.Motion 4. That the President's Report be received.

Carried unanimously.

Graeme Webber

Library Report

Graham Cleghorn presented a report on the past year's communications with the Piha Library Trust over its occupancy of the library building and other matters, (attached).

There was discussion of the report.

Motion 5. That the Committee continues to pursue a settlement with the Library Trust which reflects the resolutions of the two resolutions passed at the January 2011 Piha Ratepayers' and Residents' Association AGM .

Carried

Graham Cleghorn/ Jan O'Connor

Voted against: Jill Stotter, Kerry Stotter, Alberto Bonini, Lynn Towner, Ross Duder.

Presentation of Annual Accounts

Graham Cleghorn presented the Annual Accounts for the Association and the Post Office on behalf of Graham Caley who had prepared the accounts but was unable to attend the meeting. He answered questions on the Accounts and in response to one about the auditing of the Accounts, explained that they had not been audited and gave the reasons for that and the process that the Committee had followed in preparing them.

Motion 6. That the Annual Accounts be approved.

Carried.

Graham Cleghorn/ Karen Webber

Favourable comments were made on the improved website and the weekly updates sent to members by e-mail.

Subscription

Motion 7. That the annual subscription remain at \$10 per member.

Carried.

Graeme Webber/ Jan O'Connor

Links from the Website to Commercial Operators in Piha

The President told the meeting that he was in favour of the Association website having links to all the businesses in Piha and wanted the meeting's views on the matter.

Procedural Motion

That the matter lie upon the table.

Carried

Helen Pearce/ Kerry Stotter

Election of Officers

The President announced that at the closing date for nominations for officers and committee members, the following nominations had been received and as there were not more nominations than positions, the following people were declared elected for the 2012 year.

President Graeme Webber

Vice President Ken Cowan

Committee Alberto Bonini, Graham Caley, Bobbie Carroll, Graham Cleghorn, Jan O'Connor, Helen Pearce.

The President then informed the meeting that a nomination had been received for Secretary of Monique Olivier, nominated by Graeme Webber and seconded by Ken Cowan, and called for further nominations. There being no further nominations, he declared **Monique Olivier to be elected as Secretary.**

He also informed the meeting that he had received a nomination for the position of Treasurer of Peter Dillon, nominated by Graeme Webber and seconded by Alberto Bonini, and called for further nominations. There being none, he declared **Peter Dillon to be elected as Treasurer.**

The president then called for further nominations for the committee. There were no further nominations.

General Business

Footpaths

Sandra Coney stated that she had placed this matter on the agenda as she wished to have a discussion of community views on the newly installed footpaths but in view of the time did not wish to proceed with the discussion at this meeting.

Waste Management

Motion 8. That The Association puts in a submission on waste management that the status quo remains.

Jan O'Connor/ Paula Legel

As the meeting no longer had a quorum, this matter was referred to the incoming committee. Denise Yates and Sandra Coney stressed the importance of submissions by the Association being made to the Auckland Council.

The President thanked the meeting members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.46 p.m.