

RAKAIA RESERVE BOARD

Minutes for the meeting held 7.30pm Mon 29th March 2021 in Rakaia Bowling Club Rooms at Domain

Present: David Boag, Bruce Heywood, Margaret Crozier, Bruce Perry, Alistair Sutherland, Clare Harden. Brian McGuigan; Mark Malcolm came later at 8.10pm

Apology from Jill Tomlin, and Cr Lynette Lovett.

Moved David Boag, Sec Bruce Heywood: Carried

Minutes

The minutes of the Nov meeting were read and accepted with the correction that the totara trees are no longer available as they are now too big. “That the minutes of the November 2020 meeting as circulated, and read out, be accepted with the above correction”: Moved by David Boag, Seconded Alistair Sutherland carried

Matters Arising:

Rubbish Bins

Rubbish bins have been chained to frame so that they don’t blow over in winds and the lids have also got fasteners for wind problems as well. The old ones at the domain were collected up by Allan & Margaret C and emptied in dead sheep hole; then washed and disinfected. In Crozier’s yard if required. There still needs to be a set of bins adjacent to the pavilion, but pavers for placement are required first.

Defibrillator

The Defibrillator has been installed at the end of the Bowling Club building with a direction sign on the end of the pavilion. Fred Clarkson will supervise its maintenance.

Domain Grounds

Sulphate of iron has been sprayed once but needs rain for its next spray, spray is on site in the shed waiting. Michelle Jones gave the netball courts a dose of something that coloured where she had sprayed a few weeks ago.

Ivy may need a chop around the bottom of trees and then treated with tordon..

Alistair says the hill needs its ledge skimmed off it to make it safer at mowing time.

Alistair tidied up after the trimming but fire was not able to be completed due to the drought.

Clare - Dog signs are in the other ADC vehicle – Clare will get to Margaret via Maree McNally.

Our sample solar powered LED light has had its trial in the Perry yard and is now installed on a pole on the netball chain mesh fence. Bruce will count up for numbers required for the Domain.

David will organize Max’s hours again.

Playground

Playground slide was “advertised” in the media as requiring removal. Slide is 40+ years old and is super shiney. ADC Open Spaces are reassessing the degree of risk that they will accept for the whole district after reports in from consultants. Play grounds in the district will be assessed for modern style of equipment and aim is to have themed playgrounds throughout the district.

The local Long Term Plan meeting was held in Rakaia last Wednesday. The LTP targeted rate and general Rate will keep money trickling in to our accounts.

Water Supply

Paul Counsell had been in touch with Bruce H letting him know that the float switch has not been too good on the pump of late; Bruce did some minor repairs with it working ok at present; but greater works may need doing,, The pump was put down the well in 1993. The toilets did not refill with water fast enough on the fireworks night, so an upgrade to a pressurized system maybe required. The bowling club greens are watered by the tank and well – pump inserted many years ago, so may also require an upgrade. The electrician left the name / size etc of the pump on it.

ACL came to fix a leak but the job was too big for them, requiring a sucker unit, so is yet to be finished..

The water test undertaken January was a pass.

Lease Documents – Sports Clubs

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New Lease documents have been received back from Rugby & Bowls; Squash have queried no 7 Liquor and the requirement of any alterations/extensions having to be approved by the Reserve board as well as the Liquor licensing authority. Moved by Bruce Heywood, seconded by Brian McGuigan that the section 7 "Liquor" be removed from the outstanding 2 documents for Squash & Pony Club. Margaret to chase up Pony Club. Clare will see to the Rugby & Bowls docs in ADC files.

Valuations – Clare will get the sq m rate from Colin Wendleborn in Property;

Fencing

The large tin fencing is still to go up near netball – has not been stolen ! Bruce sprayed around the area this morning. Bruce will contact Johnnie McKimmie about its erection - Alistair will help him. The fencing on drive-side by the new sub division is different to what we were told; is very open and is an open invite to burglary and absconding kiddies.

Leases

Seamus Smyth's lease is for renewal April, Trudy Hegan in May; Margaret to send on to Clare the contact details for the 2 and get process on the go.

Grounds

WW1 trees have been sold on as too big for the dry site here at the domain.

Fishing Competition had usual campers in the domain; Covid alert level changed with a few hours' notice on the Saturday night, so donations from some would not have been collected with the early departure of quite a few. \$350 donations banked to ADC

Brian McG reported in that the rubbish bin at the front of the Squash club had glass taken and smashed by kids between there and the implement shed. Their cameras identified the culprits within the hour so children down on hands and knees doing the remediation.

Brian talked of the extension to the squash club and showed the concept plans

Window in the old pavilion is broken – Bruce will organize Ross Moore to fix.

Clare has been in touch with R Sampson at EA Networks and a figure of \$30K has been put into the Long Term Plan for the Domain power upgrade. Clare has done a Grant form for the power upgrade but still waiting for EA Networks to do their quote !

Finances:

Accts paid –

Rakaia Mobil \$93.45; Diesel Tech Methven – Flails - \$.866 25; Rakaia Mobil \$737.40 600L Diesel

Rakaia Mobil \$39.58 - 20.10L unleaded; ADC \$50 -water testing; ADC \$50 -water testing;

That the accounts paid be ratified, and new account for Water testing be approved for payment" Moved Bruce Heywood, seconded Alistair Sutherland : carried

Correspondence

New lease documents delivered to ADC for Rugby and Bowls after local signing – copies received back.

Rebecca Burrowes – requesting hockey honour boards into pavilion; storage of uniforms in back room.

Kelvin Perry – Birthday in Domain on 17th April

Allyandbern – seeking to camp in the domain – Sign saying no camping in the domain.

Clare – ADC Colin and ACL fixed water leak in Domain -

Motion : “ That the inwards correspondence be accepted” Bruce Heywood/Brian McGuigan -Carried.

Matters arising from correspondence

Hockey letter – they may have their photos and honours boards up in the main area in a tidy manner; the storage of the uniforms may be more of a problem. Have to find out what is in the right hand back room.

General Business

We record the recent passing of George Hobson, a great supporter of the Rakaia Community Association and the Beautifying group. Margaret to send a card to Mrs Hobson.