

HAWEA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

held in the Lake Hawea Community Centre on 16th July 2013 commencing at 7.30pm

PRESENT: R Brown (Chair), S Rutherford (Secretary), J Taylor, D Brensell, E Carr, D Urquhart, J Shawe, D Turnbull, J Battson

APOLOGIES: J Cotter, D Hughes, I Rae

S Rutherford moved that the apologies be accepted, seconded by J Taylor
ACCEPTED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

D Turnbull moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted, seconded by J Taylor **ACCEPTED**

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. Room Hire Charges for Lake Hawea Community Centre - R Brown has requested an explanation on the amount we are paying per meeting to use the Community Centre. D Urquhart to follow up.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ian Rae

Attached. In the absence of Ian, Rachel spoke to his report.

Income received:

2. Subscription \$20

Accounts for payment:

	Members Funds	Events	Project Funds	
			Ex HCA a/c	Ex QLDC grant
HCC Part Room Rental (Held)			400.00	
Entertainment solutions (ANZAC Day)		172.50	172.50	
Print It – Notices 1 & 29 May 13	31.00			
John Taylor – Thurs Grp fuel			21.69	

On the motion of executive members I Rae and D Turnbull the committee resolved:

1. The Treasurers report be received
2. Accounts to be paid

AGREED

MATTERS CARRIED FORWARD:

3. The matter of the QLDC funding/spend on Milburn fencing was referred to D Turnbull to follow up old correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Outward: NONE

Inward:

4. G Burley – A Thank You to those who have helped with the Community Centre BBQ. Suggestions for equipment to maintain the BBQ.

Emails exchanged:

5. R Brown arranged a site meeting with Helen Brown and others from Ngai Tahu at The Neck 10am Tuesday 9 July. I have asked them to explain their vision and plans for the area and look forward to meeting them and discussing the small plans we have for the Neck too, and discuss how we can work together to create a great asset for the community.
6. A Hollis - on behalf of the Lake Hawea Netball club thanking Dennis Hughes for allowing the use of Green Waste free of charge.
7. J Taylor – Farewell to P Hellebrekers, Luggate Hall, Friday 5th July.
8. J Cotter – Placement of the ‘half pipe’ on land at the bottom of Noema Terrace.

On the motion of S Rutherford and D Urquhart committee resolved that the inward correspondence be accepted and outward approved **APPROVED**

MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

9. Committee discussed the purchase of maintenance equipment for the Community Centre/Peter Fraser Playground BBQ. It was decided that QLDC be contacted (S Rutherford) re inclusion of this BBQ on their cleaning roster.
10. R Brown & J Taylor spoke positively about the meeting at The Neck regarding future enhancement of this area, a DoC reserve. The area of most interest is in the vicinity of the boat ramp/lagoon. It is a very important place in respect of historical significance. Plans are in progress for walking tracks, native planting, etc. No timeframe as yet. A working party will be formed, including HCA representatives.
11. J Battson spoke to J Cotter’s query regarding placement of the ‘half pipe’ on reserve land on corner of Noemea Terrace. The Community Board agreed in principal to the idea, (conditions include neighbouring property and health & safety issues). Geoff Small has drawn up plans for the ‘bike jump park’ with a possibility for installation of half pipe. Some communication has commenced between neighbours and Geoff Small.

REPORTS:

GREEN WASTE - D HUGHES

- For the first time in a long, long time the amount of green waste being dropped off has fallen to a low level. A long dry autumn meant people had plenty of time to remove trees, prune and tidy grounds. And, with now saturated grounds, this quiet period will probably continue for the next two or so months.
- The new signage has been well received with several users commenting positively on the clear presentation of the various charges.
- The 'two-tier' structure for charges now seems to be widely known and understood. After a number of complaints/grizzles from 'non Hawea' users earlier in the year I've received no complaints over the last two months.
- 4. Stefan Borowy (QLDC Solid Waste Manager) has told me he anticipates management of the annual mulching contract will proceed along similar lines as last year.

FORESHORE - D TURNBULL

Work has continued along the track, eastwards from Scott's beach. We have been removing the puss willows and some of the Douglas firs, but leaving enough to shelter replanting in September. Most of the wood removed from this area has been given to the Woman's Refuge.

We have also had a combined working morning with QLDC weeding and mulching the Flora Dora new plantings. This help has been really appreciated by our little team. The area is really looking great and ready for more planting in September. This is a 'one off' from council, so we are really lucky, and appreciative of their help. Just a reminder to the wider community : if anyone has any small native seedlings, we would really appreciate them. We can pot them up and look after them until they are ready to plant on the reserve. Please contact me or Barb Chinn. We have again been reminded by QLDC that the Foreshore is a Council administered Reserve and any plantings need to be done through the Thurs Group or directly with Council permission. We are planning on quite a big planting programme in various areas, in September, and are in the process of sourcing native plants from various places including Te Kakano Trust. This will cost some dollars. We would be very grateful for any donations towards the purchase of these plant/trees. They will only be planted in areas where we can be assured of a water supply. At present I expect the cost to be about \$500 for the plants. These will be natives, ie Kowhais, Pittosporum, Cookianum, Corokia, mountain Beech, Griselinea, Olearia, and varieties of Coprosma, amongst a few others. We will have some community planting days to plant these. The Te Kakano Trust has offered us 20 free plants to help with the Flora Dora area which is fantastic. We are lucky to have the advice of Diana Manson, now QLDC parks (ex Nook) re the planting programme.

There will be some work done by Asplundh on areas of the Gladstone Track that are wet areas and the creek wash out. I have requested this through an RFS.

Matters arising – Di spoke to her report. Project Gold is an option for sourcing plants. Diana Manson will be assisting with planning and planting.

LAKE REPORT – J TAYLOR

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I've been giving a lot of thought to a swimming area water feature. The attached is not quite what I had in mind, but then again.....the kids and the very BIG kids would love it.

The lake level tonight is at 342.544masl. It went down to approx 341.260 on 3rd July and with all the rain and snow melt, has risen approx 1.280m and is still rising. Helped too by the outflow being held at 13cumecs since 3/07.

GLADSTONE GAP REPORT – D Druce

After getting the required QLDC permissions last month we have engaged a contractor to install a water tank at the Gladstone Gap and connect to the QLDC reticulation near Muir Road. The water tank, mains connection, backfilling should be complete this week. We then need the QLDC sign off.

As spring approaches we will need to start thinking about planting and connections. As part of the QLDC process we had a planting plan drawn up for Council. As we are water limited by the QLDC, we will be limited in terms of our irrigation.

LAKE HAWEA - The level of Lake Hawea is 79% of mean. In real terms the level of Hawea is where it was in May following the two wet periods in June and July. There is a lot more water in the lake than in previous years.

National Storage is 115% of mean, mainly due to a huge amount of water in the Waiau system (Manapouri, Monowai etc)

Matters Arising – J Taylor requested clarification on the quantity of water/ restriction issue. J Battson referred to the Infrastructure meeting (QLDC) where this issue was raised, Jude said it refers to being aware of peak usage and putting a number on the water supply.

R Brown spoke to the report and said Nicols Landscape have drawn up a landscape & irrigation plan and D Druce will forward this to committee. An update to be placed on community noticeboard and website.

R Brown spoke on the Gladstone Track. Upgrade is on hold while ground is so wet. D Turnbull has put in a RFS for the track to be gravelled on Contact land to the second cattle stop. A request to look at a creek crossing is also in progress.

COMMUNITY WELLBEING – J Shawe

We are organising mid-winter Potluck at the Lake Hawea Community centre for Friday evening the 26th of July and the centre is booked.

We are hoping the committee will agree to us spending up to \$200 for a large ham and things like potatoes and ice cream. The potluck will have a Christmas theme and there will be recognition of several locals that are volunteers in our community.

We continue to have people supporting our coffee mornings at LHHotel on 2nd and 4th Mondays and drinks there on the 1st Tuesday of every month.

Matters arising – Discussion followed regarding publicising events/what's on in Hawea. It was suggested that invoices are issued to past members.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

12. Annual Plan Update – J Battson. QLDC will issue a memorandum of understanding to all Community Associations and will require receipts for the spending of the \$5,000 grant. An extra \$10,000 has been injected into Tracks Trust. The engineering side of services has moved into Infrastructure Services. Ruth Stokes is now the Operations Manager for QLDC. The footpaths in Lake Hawea mainstreet will be funded from the money granted to the Wanaka area. The Muir Rd to Grandview (Cemetery Rd) track needs to be completed, also from this monies. Otta seal has been completed between bridge and John Creek.
13. Signage at dam entrance to Lake Hawea – D Turnbull. This needs to be updated. Destination Hawea are willing to look at this. J Battson recommended contacting John Jarvis at NZTA as they have the ability to remove the existing sign.
14. Street lighting – D Turnbull. Destination Hawea has expressed concern about poor lighting around the business district area. J Battson recommended talking to Dennis Mander at QLDC. It will need to go into the District Plan for funding. QLDC will send someone to site the area at night.
15. Bollards on Capell Ave close to Sailz – D Turnbull/J Battson. Jude reported back from David Knowles. He said he had been made aware of a problem of vehicles parking over the pavement area. Painted bollards were deemed the cheapest way to alleviate this problem. However members of the community have expressed dissatisfaction with the visual, safety and lack of communication issues. It was felt the bollards need to be replaced with something more suitable, consultation with immediate neighbours, and open communication between all parties will improve the situation. A decision was made to contact David Knowles and let him know the matter of the bollards has been discussed and suggest a meeting on site between D Knowles, L Matheson (Owner, Sailz) and any other interested parties take place.
16. Tree on Muir's property. The trunk is to be split using dynamite. This will happen Aug/Sept, depending on man-power availability.
17. Sump at Kite Surfers Carpark – J Battson. This is not related to the track.
18. Waitangi Day Celebrations – C Carr seeks approval to apply for Events Funding to QLDC in the name of HCA.

On the motion of E Carr HCA approved an application to QLDC for Waitangi Day Celebration funding 2014. AGREED

19. Gravel deposition – J Taylor. Some understanding from Contact Energy needs to be established regarding the spreading of gravel on Lake Hawea beach. The current placing is too high to be replacing the erosion that will occur this year. It was suggested a letter outlining questions and an onsite meeting needs to take place. R Brown to follow up.
20. Reserve land Noema Terrace – D Urquhart. This land has been accessed and damage caused to the reserve and track.

On the motion of D Urquhart it was agreed to contact QLDC and establish whether permission for the reserve land on corner of Noema Terrace and Domain Road to be used for access to the neighbouring property. AGREED.

Meeting closed at 9.50pm

Next meeting: August 16th 7.30pm Lake Hawea Community Centre.

SIGNED:

DATE: