


Minutes - Tāneatua Community Board 24 February 2025

 WHAKATĀNE District Council <i>Kia Whakatāne au i ahau</i>	Details of Meeting:	TĀNEATUA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE TĀNEATUA HALL, MORRISON ROAD, TĀNEATUA, MONDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2025 COMMENCING AT 6:00 PM
	Present:	Chairperson M Stensness, Members H Thrupp, T Bryant and L Ruiterman
	In Attendance:	L Woolsey (General Manager Strategy and Growth), N Elliott (Team Leader Environment and Regulations Monitoring), J Farrell (Strategic Projects Manager) and A Dass (Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	E Allerby and J Allerby
	Apologies:	Member George and Councillor Iles

1 KARAKIA

The Chairperson opened the meeting with a karakia at 6:07 pm.

2 APOLOGIES

Moved Chairperson Stensness / Seconded Member Thrupp

RESOLVED:

THAT the Tāneatua Community Board accept the apologies from Councillor Iles, who is on Council Business and Member George.

CARRIED

3 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil.

4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Member Thrupp declared a conflict of interest with R Teepa's funding request.

5 PUBLIC FORUM

5.1 Matariki Volleyball Competition Tahiti – Talei Bryant

She expressed her gratitude to the Board for funding her application and supporting her participation in the Volleyball Cup in Tahiti, where they placed third. She is eager to continue coaching emerging talent.

5.2 National Aquabots Competition - James Allerby

Members were provided a presentation with photos on his participation in the NZ Aquabots competition. James' team placed second out of 53 teams. He will be competing again this year and expressed his gratitude to everyone who has supported him.

5.3 Climate Change Risk Assessment - Jeff Farrell

Staff have made progress in community engagement and are keen to arrange additional meetings in Tāneatua, Waimana, and Wainui. Councillor Iles had volunteered as the liaison for Wainui and Waimana, while a liaison for Tāneatua was needed. Staff intended to engage with community members during market days and local events, such as the Ahurei festival. It was agreed that Members Thrupp and Bryant would be the lead for future engagement efforts in the designated areas.

Attendance: J and E Allerby left the meeting at 6:17 pm and J Farrell left the meeting at 6:29 pm.

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Refer to pages 8-11 of the agenda.

Moved Member Bryant / Seconded Member Thrupp

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Tāneatua Community Board meeting for Monday, 2 December 2024 be **confirmed** as true and correct record.

CARRIED

7 REPORTS

7.1 Tāneatua Community Board – Activity Report

Refers to pages 12-18 of the agenda.

The Team Leader Environment and Regulations Monitoring and the General Manager of Strategy and Growth highlighted the following points from their report:

- The Team Leader Environment and Regulations introduced herself as the Boards new staff representative and provided an overview of her role at Council.
- Tāneatua would be included in the summer safety road show, with visits scheduled for schools and other local organisations that could help address motorcycle issues in the township.
- Action: Staff to follow up with police for continued reporting on crime stats in the area.

Moved Member Ruiterman / Seconded Member Bryant

RESOLVED:

THAT the Tāneatua Community Board – Activity Report February 2025 be **received**.

CARRIED

7.2 Governance Administration – 2025

Refer to pages 19-28 of the agenda.

Member Thrupp did not take part in the discussion of the next recommendations due to a conflict of interest.

Moved Chairperson Stensness / Seconded Member Bryant

RESOLVED:

1. THAT the Governance Administration report TCB - February 2025 be received; and
2. THAT Members note the pecuniary forms for year 3 are due to the Governance team no later than 28 February 2025; and
3. THAT the Tāneatua Community Board considers allocating \$500 from discretionary funds to Reese Teepe to cover travel costs associated with competing in the Hawaii International Rugby 10's Youth Touch Nationals in April 2025 pending completion of the accountability form and a presentation to a future meeting.

CARRIED

Member Thrupp resumed participation in the discussion of the meeting.

7.3 Extraordinary Vacancy and Election of the Chairperson – Tāneatua Community Board

Refer to pages 29-34 of the agenda.

Moved Chairpersons Stensness / Seconded Member Thrupp

RESOLVED:

1. THAT the Extraordinary Vacancy and Election of the Chairperson – Tāneatua Community Board report be received; and
2. THAT the late Diane Yalden be acknowledged for her tenure on the Board as chairperson and for her support to the Tāneatua ward.

CARRIED

There was a discussion on the approach the Board would utilise to fill the vacancy. It was agreed that nominations would be put forward and candidates would be invited to the next meeting to present their case, and the position would be filled at the same meeting.

Moved Chairpersons Stensness / Seconded Member Bryant

RESOLVED:

THAT the extraordinary vacancy be **filled by appointment** with the criteria being based on the person being a qualified elector, relevant experience, balance of the Board composition and representative of a sector of the community not currently represented.

CARRIED

Moved Member Thrupp / Seconded Member Ruiterman

RESOLVED:

THAT the Board used **System B** to determine the election process for the position of a new Chair.

CARRIED

Moved Member Bryant / Seconded Member Thrupp

RESOLVED:

THAT the Tāneatua Community Board **appoint** Member Stensness as the New Chair of the Tāneatua Community Board.

CARRIED

Since member Stensness was the Deputy Chair of the Board and she was elected as the new Chair, this resulted in the vacancy of the Deputy Chair position, which needed to be filled in accordance with clause 17 schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Moved Member Bryant / Seconded Member Ruiterman

RESOLVED:

THAT the Board used **System B** to determine the election process for the position of a new Deputy Chair.

CARRIED

Moved Member Thrupp / Seconded Member Ruiterman

RESOLVED:

THAT the Tāneatua Community Board **appoint** Member Bryant as the New Deputy Chair of the Tāneatua Community Board.

CARRIED

Member Bryant requested her vote for Member George be recorded.

8 MEMBERS REPORT

8.1 TCB Chairperson Report November 2024

Refers to page 35 of the agenda.

There was a discussion around members contributing to the Chairperson's report by providing their own updates to be included. The Chair would implement this process for future meetings. There was a discussion around how the Board could support the repair of Pekatahi Bridge and better communicate its progress with constituents as it is an NZTA bridge.

Action: Staff to contact the Transportation department to follow up with NZTA in relation to the Pekatahi Bridge and explore possible options.

Moved Member Thrupp / Seconded Member Ruiterman

RESOLVED:

THAT the Tāneatua Community Board Deputy Chairpersons Report – February 2025 be received

CARRIED

The meeting closed with a karakia from the Chairperson at 7:33 pm.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:
CHAIRPERSON