


## Minutes – Murupara Community Board 23 June 2025

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|  | Details of Meeting: | <b>MURUPARA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT MURUPARA SERVICE CENTRE, 48 PINE DRIVE, MURUPARA, MONDAY, 23 JUNE 2025 COMMENCING AT 10:00 AM</b> |
|   | Present:            | Chairperson M K Honeycombe, Members S Jones, J Morgan-Ranui, I Prentice, M Kereopa, A Silcock, and Councillor Iles (alternate)                |
|   | In Attendance:      | V Richards (Strategic Coordinator – Community Partnerships), and S Duffy (Senior Governance Support Advisor)                                  |
|   | Apologies:          |   |

Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting and opened the meeting with a Karakia at 10:00 am.

### 1 APOLOGIES

Moved Member Jones / Seconded Member Ranui

#### RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board **accept** an apology from Councillor Rangiaho.

#### CARRIED

An apology was noted for Kaumatua Tupe.

### 2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

A welcome hui is being held at the Memorial club on the evening of Wednesday, 25 June to welcome new Galatea residents. Friday, 27 June there is a community meeting at the Galatea Hall and Dana Fitzpatrick (Member for East Coast, National Party) will be in attendance.

Tewhero kura kopapa will celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> jubilee on 25 June at 10:00 am.

Several schools and organisations in the rohi would be celebrating Matariki on 27 June.

### 3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

### 4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Refer to pages 8-12 of the agenda.

Moved Member Prentice / Seconded Member Ranui

*Correction:* The Apology title block should refer to Member Silcock

#### RESOLVED:

THAT, subject to the above correction, the minutes of the Murupara Community Board held on Monday, 12 May 2025 be **confirmed** as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED**

## **5 PUBLIC FORUM**

An apology was received earlier in the morning from S Hindmarsh as she was now unable to attend.

## **6 REPORTS**

### **6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report**

Refer to pages 13-18 of the agenda.

- Information was requested regarding the resource consent conditions for the gravel extraction.
- Due to many of the Murupara Pool staff no longer in employment, it was suggested recruitment commence earlier, and it was requested an update be included at the August Board meeting.
- It was asked if there was budget available for 'aquatic creatures' to be painted on the Murupara Pool floor.
- Confirmation was requested that the building consent statistics table covered the period 1-30 June 2025.
- Members expressed disappointment the Board had not been invited to the farewell of Maramena Vercoe. It was requested that relevant invitations handed by the Mayoral office be shared with the Community Boards.
- It was explained that the Murupara newsletter had been delayed due to staff changes, and members were reminded to contribute content for the newsletters.
- It was requested the August Activity report include information update regarding Air Chathams.

Moved Member Jones / Seconded Member Silcock

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the Murupara Community Board Activity – June 2025 report be received.

**CARRIED**

### **6.2 Governance Administration – May 2025**

Refer to pages 19-29 of the agenda.

It was suggested the Election Roadshow include at Galatea. Member Prentice will provide dates that align with the Houhora events, noting this could be a potential option to include within the Election roadshow.

A discussion ensued about the discretionary fund application. Members had several questions that were unable to be answered as the applicant was an apology. It was felt the lessons were costly and there were concerns regarding the event date.

Due to insufficient information and the Board were of the belief the event had already occurred; members declined the application. The Board were willing to look at future applications and encouraged the applicant to submit well before the event date.

Moved Member Ranui / Seconded Member Silcock

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the Governance Administration June 2025 report be **received**.

**CARRIED**

## **7 Members Reporting**

Refer to page 39 of agenda.

### **7.1 MCB Recycling Initiative**

Member Jones advised that a venue had been booked for the Recycling Education initiative. It would be held at the New Beginnings Church on 24 July 2025 from 6-7 pm. The event will be advertised via posters, social media and radio, and that attendees be encouraged to bring items to the meeting that they were unsure of the recyclable status. During the event there will be spot prizes.

Moved Member Prentice / Seconded Member Kereopa

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the Murupara Community Board **allocate** \$100 from their discretionary fund to support their initiative of recycling education; \$50 Koha for venue hire and \$50 total for spot prizes.

**CARRIED**

### **7.2 Beautification of Murupara Southern Entrance**

Member Jones gave context as to the beautification project and said there were potential options after spraying, whether the area be re-grassed and then ongoing mowing required or planted with native shrubs. During discussions the following points were noted:

- Member Jones had been in contact with the Team Leader Administration – Transportation (C King-Hazel).
- Member Jones had spoken to people at the neighbouring property and advised they had verbally agreed to the beautification work.
- A suggested next step was Council roading staff could meet on-site with Member Jones. It was important actual boundaries and ownership be confirmed and to investigate the fencing on site, if any.
- Once spraying was completed then a working bee could be organised.
- Keep Whakatāne Beautiful Committee could be approached to help with costs.
- It was suggested the participants in the Murupara Garden Fiesta competition could be approached to assist with the physical beautification works.
- The importance of working within Council land boundaries was noted and, the importance of having an overarching plan.
- Member Prentice would contact local businesses/organisations for potential sponsorship.

## **8 CHAIRPERSON AND COUNCILLOR REPORTING**

### **8.1 Chairperson Report – June 2025**

Refer to pages 30-32 of the agenda.

Moved Member Ranui / Seconded Member Silcock

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the MCB Chairperson's Report – June 2025 report be **received**.

**CARRIED**

**8.2 Councillors Report – June 2025**

Refer to pages 37- 39 of agenda.

Moved Member Kereopa / Seconded Member Silcock

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the MCB receive MCB Councillor Report June 2025.

**CARRIED**

Member Silcock would write a letter, on behalf of the Board, of congratulations to Councillor Dennis with recently being awarded the Kings Service medal.

Councillor Iles raised the voting rights of the Councillors aligned with the Community Boards. Clarification was requested for this dual representation for the new triennium.

Moved Member Prentice / Seconded Member Jones

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the Murupara Community Board **suspend** all Standing Orders for remainder of the meeting as there were discussion points not on the agenda that Members wished to speak to.

**CARRIED**

- Member Silcock had commenced investigations for an electronic noticeboard in Murupara township. It was suggested she contact the Council ICT department who would be able to provide further information and guidance regarding administration, security, insurance etc.
- Member Silcock had sent a thank you letter on behalf of the Board to Murupara Electrical Centre.
- Member Silcock requested an update regarding the expiring consent for the Aniwhenua Dam. Councillor Iles advised that Councillor Rangiaho had spoken with the mayor, that she was leading this process for council and the Board would provide support of the submission. An update was requested from Councillor Rangiaho.
- Councillor Iles reported that NZTA would be presenting at the 26 June 2025 Council meeting.

**THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA FROM CHAIRPERSON HONEYCOMBE AT 11:55 AM.**

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| Confirmed at the meeting dated: |
| CHAIRPERSON                     |