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SANDSPIT RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting 7 Pm Tuesday March 2nd 2021 by Zoom

- 1. Apologies: Nancy Doherty, Ross Sutherland, Warren Churches
- 2. Minutes of Last meeting, Approved, moved by Margaret McCallum Seconded by David Astbury.
- 3. Matters arising: All covered in correspondence.
- 4. Correspondence
 - 👼 20210210 Letter to Ngati Manuhiri
 - 20210210 RLB Re Sandspit Waste Facility
 - 20210215_200526_Sandspit Waste Enclosure memo_Waste Sol...
 - 👼 20210222 Beth Houlbrooke re 10 Year Budget
 - 👼 20210222 Beth Houlbrooke re Sandspit Waste Station Proposal
 - 20210223 Email thread with Beth re Waste Station Project
 - 👼 20210224 Ltr Greg Sayers re Waste Facility

Correspondence accepted moved Greg Doherty Seconded by David Astbury

- 5. Treasurer's Report- Margaret McCallum Report be accepted moved by Margaret McCallum seconded by Steve Chaning-Pierce
- 6. Social Media Report- Margaret McCallum

Margaret commented that the Facebook page is low uptake. Greg commented that all E-News are posted to Facebook.

7. Landcare Volunteer groups

i. Walking Tracks Maintenance

David reported that spraying of the BB tracks has been completed. Next project will be metaling of the section from the end Morrison's Drive to Brick Bay

ii. Predators and Trapping

Steve reported that since the shooter has stopped coming out and that traps have been used the termination rate is down to about 11 rabbits per month.

Question and discussion on the type of baits and users of the bait. It is acknowledged that the pellet style bait that the council supplies is prone to rats removing and hoarding bait.

Bait blocks that can be secured in a bait station can be a better option.

The question was put if we know how many bait stations are in use in Sandspit and who is managing them.

David is going to follow up with both questions.

iii. Weed Management

Pete reported that the volunteer group is growing and working bees have taken place and are planned

iv. Mangrove Control

Nothing took place this month.

v. Walking and Cycleway Development

No activity this month, we will be making a visit to meet with any locals on Creek St about the trail project on the ULR with Chris Chatto, Shelley Trotter and anyone else who wants to come.

Next step would be to get an engineering plan created.

There was a discussion about the subdivision on 289 Sharp Rd. At this stage, the developer has said no to public access for a walkway.

- 8. Civil Defense
- 9. Communication and Media- Stephen Chaning-Pierce

Good feedback on E-News from several people

10. Social Functions/Membership- Margaret McCallum

No report

11.General Business

- a. Sandspit Waste Station Facility update
 - i. Discussed under correspondence. Greg to arrange a Zoom meeting with the chair of KIRRA to discuss Waste management. Committee want to know more about the status of the house before further consideration on our part.

- ii. Greg to wait until after Level 3 is lifted to have an onsite meeting with Ngati Manuhiri.
- iii. Greg to find out more about status of the caretaker's house.
- b. Proposed Membership Boundary Change (see attached discussion document)
 - The committee is in favour of Option 2 including Rainbows
 End.
 - ii. Greg to write up a motion for the next meeting to then be submitted to the AGM.