

Final MINUTES OF KRRRA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2024

Present: Steve Hart (Chair), Ian Preece, Marguerite Mueller, Gael Coleman

Guests Present: Nedilka Radojkovich, Martin Smith

Apologies: Roimata Taimana, Kevin Crawford. Isabel Gilbert Palmer

Steve welcomed both visitors.

Martin Smith (KEA) asked for KRRRA's non-financial support for a threatened plant species a critically endangered species that has been found in the Kuaotunu area. Some plants have been negatively impacted by recent pine felling, but there is still a healthy population. The aim is to take seeds and propagate and transfer to other areas. Ngati Hei and Nick Kelly of DOC are supportive of KEA's project. Shelley Balsam (Ngati Hei contact) wants to support KEA's plan to extend the native plant population. TCDC may also need to be involved. The TCDC Community Board has also been asked to support this initiative. The KRRRA Committee agreed to support this environmental initiative and keep the plant name confidential at this stage.

Action: Martin and Paddy to prepare an article for the next KRRRA Newsletter.

State Highway Clean Up – Village to Top of Kuaotunu Hill

Nedilka tabled the concept of a rubbish collection along the State Highway roadside, possibly in mid-October.

Waste Management have to approve the collection, hopefully also providing bags for waste and waiving of fee for bags to Waste Transfer station.

All collectors must wear Hi Vis jackets. Steve offered 2 Utes with trailers for bag collection. KRRRA is happy to support this initiative.

Action: Nedilka to seek necessary approval.

Moved Ian/Steve

That Ian adds these items to the Newsletter and website.

Unanimously approved

Both visitors left after their requests had been heard.

Minutes of Last Meeting

Matters Arising

- Moved Steve/Ian
- That we accept the minutes of the August meeting as tabled.
- Unanimously approved
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Correspondence

- Ian has changed the system so correspondence is now accessed through webmail NOT dropbox.
- Steve outlined that the committee can view all correspondence on the webmail server and is listed in bold between meetings. This a robust transparent system and avoids printing out a large volume of KRRR correspondence. Any correspondence can be discussed at meetings.
- All committee members have access and should check this daily, and just before the meeting date.
- Ian also informed the committee that an Agnes O'Meara is researching the Davis family and is looking for a copy of This is Kuaotunu. Possibly refer her to Ian Goodall.

Financial Report

Gaye Breeuwer has temporarily stepped as an interim Treasurer and provided the financial report. A number of subscriptions have been received between May-August. The account balances total \$13,012.36

The Committee extends its thanks to Gaye for her valuable assistance.

Signatories to KRRR Account - Resolution

KRRR wishes to change signatories of the KRRR Kiwibank accounts and remove Mark Anthony Kilgour as a signatory and add Ian Vincent Preece, Deputy Chair, as a new signatory. Any two of three signatories are required to authorise any transaction. The new signatory needs to be a Kiwibank account holder.

The Committee resolved:

1. That KRRR change the signatories for KRRR Kiwibank Accounts.
2. That Mark Anthony Kilgour be removed as signatory
3. That Ian Vincent Preece, Deputy Chair, be added as signatory to the said accounts

Moved Gael Coleman, Ian Preece

Unanimously approved

Items for discussion / Action

Rings Beach Funding Request

Rings Beach Reserve Group has requested \$500 to assist with new equipment shown on a quote as costing \$680.00.

Resolution - That KRRR support Rings Beach Wetland Group's request for funding for equipment with a sum of \$500.

Moved Gael/Marguerite

Unanimously approved

Action: include funding article in next newsletter

Previous Funding Requests Not Actioned

A check of previous committee minutes has identified issues with funding grants being offered to x2 groups, but the funding was no provided. The committee discussed the need for formal procedures to be adopted so that all funding applications are fully discussed by the committee and decisions recorded by way of a resolution. The committee discussed the x2 funding grants and the following resolution was decided.

KRRRA wishes to revoke previous decisions to provide funding grants to Kuaotunu Fire and Emergency and to repair the Kuaotunu tennis court.

The Committee resolved:

1. That KRRRA is no longer liable for a previous decision to provide a funding grant to Kuaotunu Fire & Emergency.
2. That KRRRA is no longer liable for a previous decision to provide a funding grant to assist with repairs to the Kuaotunu tennis court.
3. That local community groups are able to apply for funding assistance using a subscribed process whereas applications are formally vetted by the committee.

Noticeboard Update

The undercoat has been completed on the noticeboard, but top coat still subject to finding free paint.

Notices are now being put up/cleared each Sunday afternoon. Pippa has agreed to paint wildflowers on the support posts when frame painting is complete.

Newsletter

Ian is working on the next newsletter, next edition the first week in October. Information on the Art Trail to be included if available from Isabel. Steve will provide an update on what KRRRA has been doing since March.

Items for Brief / Update

The Northern Chairs and MB Community Board meeting was held on September 11th 2024. Steve attended on-line and outlined the following matters to the Mercury Bay Community Board.

- KRRRA was disappointed that the TCDC Chief Executive chose not to attend a meeting in Thames discussing the Bluff Road suspension bridge despite the importance of this proposal needing a TCDC decision whether to support it or not.
- A meeting with Councilor John Morrissey, Councilor John Grant, KRRRA Chair Steve Hart and Deputy Chair Ian Preece was held at the Kuaotunu Boat Ramp on 26th August 2024 to discuss footpath connections from the Boat Ramp to the footpath from Bluff Road. John Morrissey attended in his capacity as the TCDC representative on the Waka Kotahi Regional Transport Committee. The group walked along the edge of SH25 and viewed the erosion and the proposed footpath link. The meeting resolved that due to nationwide Government funding cuts for footpaths there was very little chance that Waka Kotahi would cover costs for additional footpaths. The group also did a site visit to the Blackjack Reserve toilets and discussed the proposed replacement costs of \$280,000 funding in the LTP and how it should be used for footpath connections.

Steve had a phone discussion with TCDC Mayor Len Salt on 6th September where various KRRRA topics were discussed including the SH25 connectivity footpaths.

Steve proposed that KRRRA approach Waka Kotahi and request a temporary 30km speed restriction past the Kuaotunu Boat Ramp over the peak summer season due the hazard of vehicles and boat trailers parking on the road verge and speeding traffic putting pedestrians at risk. The committee agreed for Steve to follow up with Waka Kotahi.

Meeting closed at 7:50pm

ACTION SUMMARY (carried over from current & previous minutes)

who	What	done?
Steve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up with Waka Kotahi for temporary speed restriction past the Kuaotunu Boat Ramp during the summer season. 	
Ian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure to process funding applications • Follow up on newsletter topics • Arrange for signature to be added to KB account 	
Kevin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up with a reply to Waka Kotahi on Kuaotunu Hill erosion repairs • In October follow up with Mark Bedford on next steps / timeline for Suspension Bridge project. 	
Isabel / Gael	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noticeboard Guidelines draft to committee 	

Roimata	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pumphouse Artwork	
All	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regular check of correspondence in webmail	