
Minutes for a meeting of the Tuakau Community Board held in the Supper Room, Tuakau Memorial Hall, George Street, Tuakau on **TUESDAY, 07 MAY 2024** commencing at **6.05pm**.

Present:

Mrs G Tema-Liapaneke (Chairperson)
Mr R Gee (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr D Henderson
Mrs S Henderson
Mr C Morgan
Mr F Semau
Cr V Reeve
Cr K Ngataki
Cr P Mata

Attending:

Mr T Whittaker (Chief Operating Officer)
Mr T Rowland (Democracy Advisor)
Her Worship the Mayor Jacqui Church

The meeting opened with a Karakia at 6:00pm.

DECLARATION BY MEMBERS OF THE TUAKAU COMMUNITY BOARD

Mr R Gee was sworn in as a member of the Tuakau Community Board.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (C Morgan/R Gee)

THAT the Tuakau Community Board accepts the apologies from:

- a. Mr F Semau for non-attendance**

CARRIED

TUCB2405/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Mrs Tema-Liapaneke/Cr Reeve)

THAT the agenda for the meeting of the Tuakau Community Board held on Tuesday, 7 May 2024 be confirmed:

- a. that all reports be received.**
- b. that Cr Ngataki be granted speaking rights for the meeting.**

CARRIED

TUCB2405/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interests.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (C Morgan/D Henderson)

THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Tuakau Community Board held on Tuesday, 26 March 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

TUCB2405/03

PUBLIC FORUM

- A member of the public informed the board that the Light Body court turf has started to break apart at the boundaries. The Chief Operating Officer queried if they had logged a service request to which they responded yes.
- The same member also noted that the Tuakau Youth Centre Roof has started to become a safety issue and that they would file a service request.
- The same member also noted that the tiles on George Street were becoming slippery and were waiting for an update on a request from Waikato District Council.

REPORTS

Appointment of Deputy Chairperson of the Tuakau Community Board *Agenda Item 7.1*

The report was received [*TUCB2453/02 refers*] and further discussion was held.

Resolved: (S Henderson/R Gee)

THAT the Tuakau Community Board resolves to use System B for the election of the Deputy Chairperson as detailed in clause 25, Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002; and

CARRIED

TUCB2405/04

- Mrs Henderson nominated Mr Gee for the role of deputy chairperson with Cr Reeve seconding.
- The Chairperson nominated Mr Morgan for the role of deputy chairperson with Cr Matatahi-Poutapu seconding.
- Mr Gee was voted as deputy chairperson four votes to three against Mr Morgan, with D Henderson, S Henderson, Cr Reeve and Mr Gee voting for Mr Gee and the Chairperson, Mr Morgan and Cr Matatahi-Poutapu voting for Mr Morgan.

Resolved: (S Henderson/V Reeve)

THAT Richard Gee be appointed as Deputy Chairperson of the Tuakau Community Board for the 2022-2025 triennium.

CARRIED

TUCB2405/05

Tuakau Bowling Club Grant Application

Agenda Item 7.2

The report was received [*TUCB2405/02 refers*] and further discussion was held.

- The Chief Operating Officer provided the board with an update on the Tuakau Bowling Club and the outstanding rates that are owing by the club to Council.
- Cr V Reeve and Mr R Gee declared non-financial conflict of interests and withdrew from the vote and discussion on the item.
- The Chief Operating Officer reminded the board members on the declarations of conflicts of interest.
- The board approved the motion with Cr Reeve and Mr Gee withdrawing from the vote.

Resolved: (S Henderson/C Morgan)

THAT the Tuakau Community Board advise the Tuakau Bowling Club it will not consider the grant application until such time as the financial and legal status of the club are known and rates arrears to Waikato District Council are settled.

CARRIED

TUCB2405/06

Discretionary Fund Report to 23 April 2024

Agenda Item 7.4

The report was received [*TUCB2405/02 refers*] and further discussion was held.

Resolved: (R Gee/Cr Reeve)

THAT the Tuakau Community Board:

- a. notes the Discretionary Fund Report to 23 April 2024, and**
- b. returns the excess of \$3,647.72 showing as the balance against TUCB2302/06 (Belgravia) to the Tuakau Community Board Discretionary Fund Pool.**

CARRIED

TUCB2405/07

Discretionary Fund Applications

Agenda Item 7.5

The report was received [*TUCB2405/02 refers*] and further discussion was held.

- Cr Reeve supported the organisation and the work they do in the community.
- Cr Ngataki also supported the organisation.
- Ms S Henderson raised concerns about whether the fund would be used for the Tuakau Community and concerned why the applicant was not present.
- The Chief Operating Officer noted that funds could be approved subject to those funds being used to support children in the Tuakau Community.

Resolved: (Cr Matatahi-Poutapu/R Gee)

THAT the Tuakau Community Board:

a. approves an allocation of \$2200.00 (plus GST if any) from their Discretionary Funding account to:

i. School Start First Impressions

ii. To provide stationery and underwear for school starters

iii. subject to funds being used to support children in the Tuakau Community.

CARRIED

TUCB2405/08

Works, Actions & Issues Report: Status of Items October 2023

Agenda Item 7.6

The report was received [*TUCB2405/02 refers*] and further discussion was held.

Community Website

ACTION: Update Ian Leader as the new chair.

Bowling Club

ACTION: Remain on the report

Jellicoe/George Street Intersection

ACTION: Remain on the report

Upgrades to the Tuakau Domain Toilets

ACTION: Remain on the report

George Street/Buckland Road Corner

ACTION: Remain on the report

Centennial Park and Lightbody Reserve Rubbish/Litter Issues

ACTION: Remain on the report

Tuakau Rubbish Bins

- S Henderson noted that the bins around the area were not fit for purpose.
- Cr Reeve queried if funding from the boards discretionary fund could be used to fund bins in the community.
- The COO noted that the Council wants to have a strong focus on education around waste rather than continue to unnecessarily invest in bins.
- Cr Ngataki noted that Tuakau has the highest levels of rubbish in the district.
- The Board agreed to support community education around Waste and Mr Gee volunteered to be the point of contact with Council staff.

ACTION: Waikato District Council Staff to connect with Mr Gee around waste education

Enhanced Annual Plan

Agenda Item 7.6

The Chief Operating Officer provided a verbal report which was received [TUCB2405//02 refers] and no further discussion was held.

Chairperson's Report

Agenda Item 7.7

The Chairperson provided a verbal report which was received [TUCB2405//02 refers] and the following discussion was held.

- The chair provided an update on Anzac Day events with the community coming together on the day with the provide a plate of food option working well.

- The chair noted that whilst there were a few hiccups on the day the event, with the support of Cr Reeve and Cr Ngataki the event was able to be held positively.
- The chair noted that traffic management could be improved for the next event.
- Mr Gee noted the chair's family supported the event strongly.
- Ms S Henderson noted the positives aspect of the event.
- The board to prepare a run-sheet for the next Anzac Event.
- A Teams Link to be provided for D Henderson for Community Board and Plan event on Thursday.

Councillor's Report

Agenda Item 7.8

The councillors provided a verbal report which was received [TUCB2405/02 refers] and the following discussion was held.

- Cr Reeve noted that he had continued his work on safety improvements around the Tuakau Community.
- Cr Reeve noted it would be positive to have more board representation at the Council Workshops.
- Cr Matatahi-Poutapu spoke about her work across the district with a focus on Zero Harm.
- Cr Ngataki noted the Council's support for the Maaori Ward, the Council's roll out of a new meeting system and bus safety work by the college.

Community Board Members' Reports

Agenda Item 7.9

The board members provided a verbal report which was received [TUCB2405/02 refers] and the following discussion was held.

- S Henderson noted the work done on the Tuakau Community Board logo. The logo designed would have the bridge, Taniwha and the Tuakau arriving out of its mouth.
- Mr R Gee thanked the group for their welcome and was looking forward to working with the community.

Executive Leadership Update
Agenda Item 7.10

The Chief Operating Officer provided a verbal report was received [TUCB2405/02 refers] and the following discussion was held.

- The Chief Operating Officer noted the work that was being done with the Communications and Engagement aspect of Council.
- The Chief Operating Officer noted the positive discussion around Maaori Wards from councillors and his support for Maaori Wards and the positive impact they are having at Council.
- The Chief Operating Officer noted the need to report jobs via service requests rather than through LGOIMA.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed with a Karakia at 7:59pm

Minutes approved and confirmed this day of 2024.

G Tema-Liapaneke
CHAIRPERSON