

Minutes of the AGM of the Meadowbank St Johns Residents Association held at 7pm on 26th June 2017 at St Chad's Church, Meadowbank.

Meeting opened at 7.00pm.

Association Chair Tim Duguid welcomed Auckland Councillor Desley Simpson, members of the Orakei Board, Chairs of other Residents Associations and around 60 members.

Apologies: Toni Millar, Colin Davis

1) **Minutes of the previous meeting: Moved:** Noel O'Sullivan **Seconded:** Kevin Kevany: That the minutes of the 2016 AGM be approved. **Carried.**

2) **Matters Arising:** Nil

Chairpersons Address: Chair Tim Duguid presented a review of the year. He noted progress on transport, reflecting our collective voice in support of residents' submissions on issues, including:

- The new pedestrian crossing on St Johns Road and the traffic lights on Grand Drive / Abbotts Way (now in place);
- Traffic calming and safer crossing points on Meadowbank Road and Manapau Street (agreed by AT and planned for 2017/2018);
- A new bus service to Mission Bay via Kohi Road and Selwyn College / St Thomas's School (agreed by AT and planned for 2018);
- Lastly, but by no means least, securing access to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Path via John Rymer Place.

On developments, our engagement, which continues with a number of parties:

- Summerset Holdings, on the planned 300 unit retirement village at Parsons Paddock (by the theological college) on St Johns Road. We were very pleased to learn that the resource consent will be publicly notified;
- Dryden Properties, on the development at 6-14 Meadowbank Road, and with Purewa Cemetery Trust Board, on the future plans for Purewa Driveway, balancing the imperative to sustainably manage the Cemetery in perpetuity after it closes to new burials;
- Housing New Zealand on the design issues and other aspects of the development at Purewa Road / Puroto Street;

On the environment, our involvement in initiatives such as:

- Cleaning up the Pourewa Valley behind Selwyn College (with Keep New Zealand Beautiful and the Friends of Pourewa Valley);
- Tree planting in Waatarua Reserve (with the Friends of Waatarua Reserve);
- Advocating for water quality in Waatarua Reserve and Orakei Basin

3) **Treasurer's Report:** The Annual Accounts and budget had been previously distributed to members. Treasurer Barry Stewart spoke briefly to the accounts noting that there had been a small loss for the year, that the bank balance was just under \$6,200 and that while income generated internally was budgeted to increase substantially this would be felt more in the next financial year so the Association was still dependent on OLB grant funds.

Moved: Barry Stewart **Seconded:** Lynda McCarthy: That the 2016/17 annual accounts & 2017/18 budget be approved, **Carried.**

- 4) **Membership Report:** The Membership Report had been previously distributed to members. Membership Convenor Barry Stewart spoke briefly to the report noting that for the year to 31 May, membership database numbers were up by 61%, financial membership was up by 231%, and detailing the improvements in the various comparisons to our target market of 5,634 households.

In an extension to the chairs' report, Tim Duguid outlined the substantial growth in our newsletter circulation numbers and various Facebook metrics all of which suggest a higher level of interest from our residents.

Moved: Barry Stewart **Seconded:** Lakshman Abeynaike: That the 2016/17 Membership Report be accepted. **Carried.**

- 5) **Rule Changes:** The Rule Changes and Explanatory Notes had been previously distributed to members. There were no questions from the floor. **Moved:** Barry Stewart **Seconded:** Lynda McCarthy: That the proposed rule changes as distributed be approved, **Carried without dissent.**
- 6) **Election of Committee:** Tim Duguid vacated the chair in favour of Orakei Local Board member Troy Churton. **Moved:** Troy Churton **Seconded:** Kevin Kevany: That the nominations for the Committee as presented to the meeting be accepted. **Carried.**

The Committee for the 2017/18 year are:

Chair – Tim Duguid

Secretary – Lynda McCarthy

Treasurer – Barry Stewart

Membership Convenor – Anna Jackson

Committee – Lakshman Abeynaike, Oliver Roberts, Robert White

This concluded the formal part of the evening.

- 7) **Guest Speaker:** Chair Tim Duguid introduced our guest speaker for the evening, Simon O'Connor, MP for Tamaki. Simon spoke on several local issues and addressed questions from the floor, the subjects of which included transport, housing intensification, the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Pathway and the possible upgrade of Tamaki Drive.
- 8) **Door Prize:** The door prize of a very attractive gift basket from Meadowbank Corner Chemist was won by Desley Simpson.

The Chair then thanked our sponsors during the year: Orakei Local Board, Barfoot & Thomson Meadowbank, Meadowbank Corner Chemist and Moloko Café and closed the meeting at 8:45 with thanks to all attending.

At the conclusion of the AGM light refreshments were served.