

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Meadowbank & St John's Resident's Association
Tuesday 9th of February 2021 6.30 pm at St Chad's Church, Meadowbank



Attendees: Henry Ray, Joann Bell, Gerard Martin, Souad Boudjelas, Ensiyeh Ghavampour, Oliver Roberts, Charmaine Vaughan,

Apologies: Tim Duguid,

Discussions

- With the aim of freeing up the committee's time a decision was made to provide brief reports via email that are added to the minutes. The brief reports wont be firsted and seconded in the minutes, however the Chair reserves the right to use formal moving firsting and seconding if necessary.
- Volunteer day. Community Wellbeing Network contacted Ensiyeh about a RA representative to be part of a committee to organise a volunteer event. Enseyih to attend meeting on the 17th and report back with their expectations.
- Ongoing search for Chair.
- Look at celebrating RA successes in written form through newsletters and possible local papers.
- Souad to reconnect with Eastern Songbird.
- Charmaine presenting to the MT board regarding developing the Apirana Reserve to be a conservation and recreation zone.
- What are the RA's obligations for an AGM?

OLB update via Charmaine

- 6-8 bus shelters to be repurposed, no timings
- Shared path...Business case going to at board on Feb 27th. Update in March
- Puréwa valley integrated plan. Application to environmental targeted rate for a full time/permanent position

WRITTEN UPDATES

Membership update

- December - we had 3 x Unsubscribe and 5 x New for the MBSJRA Newsletter
- January - we had 6 x New
- We've had no Membership requests or payments in this time.

Community Wellbeing update

- OLB was very pleased with the placemaking report and Enseyih may be asked to present the result to them sometimes this year.

- The community wellbeing network (we got their report last year) are organising a voluntary day celebration and invited one member of each RA to be part of the leadership team/organisation team.

Treasury:

- Latest cash position = \$ 10,906
- Up to date with all payments

Waatarua Reflections from an Urban Wetland

- MBSJRA has paid in total the full \$5,000 grant received, all paid to "Mary Egan Limited" a publishing company.
- Art Nhail notes: I'll probably organise a formal launch of the book and a reading from it sometime in early February, perhaps in the Meadowbank Community Centre. Books will be available to purchase (and have signed) at the launch. I might also organise another "poetry ramble" through the park to get the book further exposure. I'll keep the committee up to date on all the details.