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**MINUTES OF THE KOTIATA RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL, ON SUNDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 1990
AT 11.00 A.M.**

PRESENT: R. Price (Chairman), W. Wills, P. Fraser, D. George, R. Sargeant,
G. Clark and S. Cameron.

Ward Member T. Lethbridge
Visitors J. Mant, C. Fraser and N. Eustace

APOLOGIES: J. Wilson (Mayor)
C. Carmichael
N. Bostock

MINUTES: W. Wills/G. Clark
Confirmed as correct.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Rubbish Dump:

Concern was expressed at the lapsed contract with Planes Trust. This was nearly two years ago and Rangitikei District Council had not re-negotiated to date. Mr J. Mant explained Planes Trust's concerns to the meeting. Concern was also expressed regarding residents being forced to accept an expensive centralised rubbish system with Bulls Community in the near future. Ward Member, T. Lethbridge, explained the current situation.

The Secretary to express our concerns in a letter to Rangitikei District Council.

A community working bee was arranged for 9.00 a.m. Saturday, 22 September 1990 to clean up adjacent "Planes Trust" paddocks of plastic material which could be fatal to livestock.

Dog Problem:

Steve Pritchard's name had been submitted as an Honorary Dog Ranger but no return contact by Rangitikei District Council had been received.

The Secretary to include this in combined letter.

River Diversion:

The Secretary precised an earlier telecon with the Chief Executive Officer and her concerns of likely problems with all the authorities who may become involved in a Water Right Hearing.

Ward Member, T. Lethbridge, also elaborated and expressed concern this had been put in the too hard basket and that we would have to push harder to get some progress.

Exasperation was also expressed by many members. Agreed that Chairman Price would enquire of progress after completion of Regional Council Officers' discussion to be held on 19 September 1990 and that we would action from that point.

Fire Break:

Progress to date was questioned by S. Cameron.

It appeared Rangitikei District Council had the wrong concept as the Chief Executive Officer had mentioned a \$16,000 minimum road cost whereas we were only asking for a clearing.

Chairman Price to arrange a site meeting to clarify and endeavour to make progress.

It was also raised again that Rangitikei District Council had not kept their unsold subdivision sections in a mown state.

FINANCE REPORT:

Treasurer, D. George, reported no change in the financial position since the previous meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence.

WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

T. Lethbridge read out a letter to a local farmer regarding livestock contamination of roads and action that would be taken if raceways were not used.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Water Holes (Fire Control):

W. Wills expressed concern that these required deepening before the coming Fire Season. Chairman Price delegated W. Wills to contact Rangitikei District Council and to ensure that costs would be against the General District as Fire Prevention and not just against Koitiata Expenditure.

Future Roading Maintenance:

Concern was expressed over changes in financing future roading expenditure.

T. Lethbridge elaborated on the position regarding "Transit New Zealand" but at this stage it appeared there was enough finance for a status quo situation. If the future position deteriorated then more rate funds may be used to maintain the existing roading standards.

Posting Meeting Minutes:

Residents had requested that a copy of each meeting's minutes be posted on the Public Notice Board. This was agreed to and to be actioned by the Secretary in the future.

Chairman's Report:

A request that the Chairman continue with the past custom of circulating residents with an Annual Report was received. Chairman Price would arrange as appropriate. Residents were again invited to attend these meetings if they were interested in local affairs.

Vote of Thanks:

A vote of thanks was to be passed on to Mr Arnold Nation for his time and efforts in weed control around community buildings and areas.

Road Chips Removal:

Ms P. Taylor had not reported back re removal of chips from hall area prior to re-sealing. The Secretary to mention in the letter to Rangitikei District Council.

NEXT MEETING:

Sunday, 18 November 1990 at 10.30 a.m. for a pre-meeting discussion prior to Elected Councillors' arrival.

The meeting closed at 12.20 p.m.