

**NGATARAWA 1A3A, 1A3B, 1A3C,1A3B1B2 AHU WHENUA TRUSTS
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD SATURDAY 14th DECEMBER 2019**

TAKARANGI ROOM, TE TAIWHENUA O HERETAUNGA,10.00am

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Kathleen Kireka (Chair), Timoti Gemmell, Olivia Thompson, Ruth Wong,
(Secretary/Treasurer)

OWNERS PRESENT: Traci Tuimaseve, Paul Gemmell, Katina Gemmel-Gair, Eve Kireka, Papara
Carroll, Charlotte Baker, Kaupa Teariki, Norma Steffart, Jamie Karetu, Lavinia
Stoddart, Sheryle Allen, Patu Carroll, Whiu Carroll, Stephen Randell,
Charlena Karetu, Thomas Kemp, George Gemmell,

1. MIHIMIHI: Kaumātua - Kaupa Teariki

2. HIMENE/KARAKIA: Kaumātua - Kaupa Teariki

3. MAUMAHARA: Kaumātua - Kaupa Teariki mentioned our loved ones who have passed on in
his mihi. Not just our whānau but those people who have lost loved ones in
the tragedies that have taken place in our community, country and the
world.
The Chair – Kathleen Kireka resumed to chair the hui as follows.

4. OWNERS APOLOGIES:

Florence Karaitiana, Chrsitine Kidwell, Robin Karetu, Janelle Makirere, Roger Kireka, Mana
Kireka, Peter Kireka, Tama Kireka, Huia Smith, N Blackler (Carroll), Maia Karetu, Carla Abbott,
Nicky Poipoi, Lila Poipoi, Alieta Uelese, Steven Tipu, Colleen Karetu, Phillip Karetu, Dawn
Waka, Robert Kale, Lorraine Allen, Rene Allen, Piata Allen, Te Mana Allen, Rima Allen, Grace
Allen, Jenny McGona, Claire Schuster, Barry Allen Herbison, Glen Allen Herbison, Awatea
Christiansen

**MOTION: "That the apologies be accepted".
Moved by Papara Carroll, seconded by Eve Kireka
All in Favour, Motion Carried.**

5. MINUTES OF 2018 AGM:

Minutes of the last meeting held on 8 December 2018 were made available on the website
since February 2019 and were distributed with the notice to owners with addresses prior to
the AGM. A copy was also made available in the Agenda Pack at arrival of this meeting.

AMENDMENTS: The addition of Norma Steffert to the attendance list.

**MOTION: "That the minutes of the previous AGM held on 8 December
2018 with the amendment noted above, be accepted as a true and correct
record".
Moved by Sheryle Allen seconded by Stephen Randell
All in favour, Motion Carried.**

6. CHAIRS REPORT:

Copies of the Chairman's report were made available inside the Agenda Pack and the Chair
Kathleen Kireka, read her extensive report which covered the following points. *Also noted in
italics are the endorsements as part of the Chairs Report.*

- Trust Background
- Introduction of Trustees
- Trustees Fees and Trust Deed Variance
 - *Endorsement “That the landowners support the Trustees Fee Increase as described in the Chairs Report, and that if need be, a Trust Deed Variance be endorsed”*
- Land Lease Information
- Finance and Budget
- Apatu Farms Limited – Whenua Update
- Urupa Access
- Tertiary Grants
 - *Endorsement “That the landowners support the current Tertiary Grants to open up to 1st year taura to apply for the tertiary grants, to allow for more eligible whānau. Everything else in the policy to remain the same”*
- Communications
- Ngatarawa WAI 596 Claim
- Acknowledgements

CHAIRS REPORT DISCUSSION

- As per the Chairs report Timoti Gemmell is the kaitiaki of the Urupa for and on behalf of the Trust and he has the combination for the lock. Due to health and safety reasons, landowners are asked to contact Timoti for access.
- Sheryle Allen shared concern that the headstone of our Tipuna Irimana Ngahoa needs to be fixed and offered awhi. She has contacts of people who are skilled in this area and asked if the Trustees were looking at this. Kathleen advised her to speak with Timoti.
- George Gemmell shared his concerns for the Urupa and that his daughter Rachel was buried up there this year. He has fixed the fencing and put up an electric fence to stop cattle from coming into the Urupa, but advised that if people go up, they need to turn it off. Timoti is aware of this and if people approach him, he can be responsible. Timoti said that people are safe if they come through him, it's when they go up without permission, safety is an issue.
- George Gemmell shared concern about the safety of the trees and people going up the hill and cutting unfallen trees without permission.
- The Chair Kathleen insisted that whānau contact Timoti if they want to go into the land. There was mention of sheep that had been taken from the Farm which has required the Farmer to put up Cameras and put in electric fencing. Apatu Farms cannot be accountable for the health and safety of people entering the land without permission. There are no signs up at the moment. Signs will go up.
- Jaimee Karetu shared concerns about Electric Fencing going up behind their property and the concerns about children and their safety. Kaupa Teariki agreed but said that he spoke to the Farmer and they are not putting up electric fencing in that area.
- Jaimee Karetu asked if the Trust would discuss with Apatu Farms opportunities for cadetships and upskilling of whānau through our relationship of the lease. The Chair agreed that the Trustees would look into this.

MOTION: “That the Chair’s Report be accepted along with the endorsements made within the report”.

Moved by Whiu Carroll seconded by Papara Carroll

Majority in Favour, 1 against (George Gemmell), Motion Carried

7. FINANCE REPORT:

- Copies of the Financial Statements were distributed to Owners in the Agenda Pack. In the absence of the Financial Accountant Robert Kale, the Trustee Treasurer, Ruth Wong, spoke to the finance report explaining the details of income, expenses and the overall position of the finances. Again a great concern was the unpaid distributions awaiting owners details of Bank accounts and IRD Numbers.

- Ruth explained that the Accountancy Fee is expected to lessen as more menial work will be taken over by herself as the Secretary/Treasurer. Discussion from whānau included the ability for our own skilled whānau to take on the accountancy role. Discussion took place around supporting interested whānau to upskill.
- The Trust acknowledged the work that Robert Kale has done for the Trust over the years as secretary and accountant. The Trust will continue to use Robert Kale for accountant mahi only until further notice.

MOTION: “That the Financial Report be accepted”.
Moved by Traci Tuimaseve and seconded by Charlotte Baker
All in favour, Motion Carried

8. TERTIARY GRANTS:

The following applicants were successful in obtaining a grant in 2018–2019

1. Marnie Baker
 2. Kate Puanaki
 3. Brandon Harrison (Australia)
 4. Hemi Wong
 5. Eve Kireka
- Eve Kireka gave a detailed presentation of her studies in Māori Research Methodologies and a document with her proposal will be made available from the website.
 - Ruth Wong gave a brief overview of the studies that the other students are doing and gave thanks to the Trust for the support given to her son Hemi Wong.
 - Ruth suggested that we also collate skills into our database so we know who can do what when we need.

9. WAI CLAIM:

Olivia Thompson presented her report on progress. A thorough update was handed out within the AGM Pack. It has been a long and tiresome process of going back and forth, but we will not give up hope. Latest discussion was with Heretaunga Tamatea Settlement Trust CE and prior negotiator Liz Munroe to progress discussions with Hawke’s Bay Regional Council, who still seem keen to progress in our favour. HBRC have a Māori Team to progress the steps for action and will be in touch in January 2020. Watch this space.

Papra Carroll asked if we have been in touch with the Treaty Claims Office. The answer was no.

MOTION: “That the WAI Update be accepted”.
Moved by George Gemmell and seconded by Paul Gemmell
All in favour, Motion Carried

10. GENERAL BUSINESS:

Business Plan

The question was asked what we have done about a business plan. This kaupapa was brought up by Matthew Gemmell at the last meeting held 8 Dec 2018. The Trustees had invited Matthew to present a Business Plan for the development of the Trusts lands that we could discuss at this meeting, however no further correspondence was made. The rental agreements for both Ngatarawa and Ohiti were aligned for that purpose and are currently up for renewal in 2021.

- 10. KUA OTI:** The Meeting closed at 11.40am followed by a light lunch.

11. KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA & BLESSING OF KAI: Kaumātua Kaupa Teariki.

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