## **Rakino Ratepayers Association**

## **Minutes of RRA Easter Meeting**

#### Sunday 17 April 2022

## Location: Rakino Wharf Facility

#### **Present:**

Stephen Thomas (ST) Chris Clews (CC) David Parker (DP) Natasha Holland (NH) Hugo Gibbs (HG) Elisabeth Easther (EE)

## **Apologies:**

Rod Inglis (RI) Bev & Hank Pat Withers

## 1. Welcome / Apologies (CC)

CC opened the meeting with welcome and apologies.

## 2. Past Minutes (NH)

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed. No corrections were offered. Motion for approval from John Denton, seconded by Caroline Beasley.

#### 3. Finances & Correspondence (ST/NH)

Regarding finances and subs there was nothing of note to declare since the previous update.

## 4. Wharf Facility Update (CC)

CC detailed the Shane Hogg meeting. Shane, along with John Nash, is supportive of the RRA and Rakino Community, however the Local Board declined to move any motion to bring the additional \$900k funding forward until after the coming elections. This is in addition to the 300k already allocated.

It is hoped that the roof insurance claim may trigger some action as the funding is needed to be included into the 3yr budget by May.

CC has written to Pippa Coombes, and Doug Armstrong to the Mayor and others.

It was suggested that a draft letter be circulated to all to encourage letters to be written to the Council/Councillors given it is election year.

Pip Cheshire (Architect) has offered some services with a goal to retaining some of the existing facility's character in the event of a new build.

A vote of thanks to the committee for all of their efforts, from the members was proposed by Pieter Watson, followed by a generous round of applause. Nga mihi.

## 5. Fire (CC)

Following the most recent fire in Ocean View an undertaking has been given to the RRA that the existing equipment will not be removed from the Island.

The actions at the last fire confirmed that residents were not trying to fight fires but stop them spreading to other properties.

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The equipment will be given to the RRA and will need some maintenance once this occurs- leaking water tanks noted. Training will be provided.

Grateful thanks were given to the residents who successfully stopped the fire spreading to neighbouring properties.

Following the recent fire, Josh has identified the most likely people to be on the Island at any given time and suggested crowd funding to enable pumps to be purchased and located at these homes. An action to document plans was undertaken by David Parker and HG.

Siren testing was also discussed. Thanks were given to ST for the generous use of a generator.

## 6. Community Information Handouts (NH)

NH circulated the handouts available for residents containing emergency information and basic Island etiquette.

## 7. Marine Survey (EE)

Elisabeth presented the results of the Marine Survey which have been condensed into a display board which will be hung in the Wharf Facility for all to view.

## 8. General Business

Adrian found a t-shirt. Troy raised the issue of wharf piles being replaced.

The meeting closed at 11:18.