WHANGAWEHI 1B5B2B AHU WHENUA TRUST

Meeting held 18 July 2024

Meeting convened at 6.00pm via Messenger.

Present: David Waihaki, Aroha Te Hau, June Toko, Patricia Larsen

**Minutes from the previous meeting** were read.

Moved that the minutes be accepted: Patricia Seconded: June

**Matters arising:**

Patricia sent a letter to Alexa as outlined. (attached) No response to date. Patricia to contact Alexa via Messenger or text to check she has received the letter.

Aroha spoke with Deb Tai, a trustee/shareholder on the Waiaua Trust. The Trust has new admin and contact details. Aroha has sent a letter to the Waiaua Trust (attached). The fallen tree referred to in the letter is on the Smith side of the whenua. David will speak to his whanau to get contact details for the Smith property. Aroha will send them a letter re damage to the fence.

Aroha to work on draft lease documents to send out to trustees.

David contacted the council re rating on the land. Once a dwelling is on the property rating value will increase. David will also check with council on the allowable size of a dwelling before a permit is required

Patricia to send a letter to Alexa to update her on progress to date and she should have a reply on or about 8 August.

**Financial**

June sent financial reports covering the period October 2023 to February 2024. David read these out.

A suggestion that future financial reports be shortened to the previous month income and expenditure and current bank balance. Agreed.

Current bank balance is $6070.51

**General Business**

June read out the rates report that she has written explaining how the outstanding rates for the whenua were reduced over time. The report will be put in the rates section of the Whangawehi website. Correspondence will be added to website too.

Yola website account is paid. June made two monthly payments and the annual account of $134.36 is paid up to 4 April 2025. June makes the payments from her own bank account as the Trust bank account does not have a credit/debit card, which is necessary for Yola to be paid. Yola are US based.

June raised the matter of Aroha’s letter re lease to occupy. This was emailed to a number of people in October last year seeking support for her request to occupy a surveyed area of 2000m2 on the whenua. June questioned the source of the email addresses and the relevance of the people contacted. After some discussion between Aroha and June, Aroha may resend the email to an updated mail list.

Meeting closed at 7.07pm

Next meeting Thursday August 8 at 6.00pm

24 June 2024

Alexa Waihaki

Lane Road

Mahia

Dear Alexa

I am writing on behalf of the trustees in response to your letter regarding a Lease to Occupy on Block 1B5B2B. (My role is that of interim minute taker.)

The trustees discussed your request at the recent Trustee meeting. They have determined the need to research and put together information to make an informed decision regarding lease details, formal documentation, lease value, etc. This Lease to Occupy will set a precedent so they wish to make sure of the details. The trustees will be meeting again on Thursday 11 July to discuss and possibly formulate a lease document.

In the meantime, the Trustees are happy for you to repair the boundary fence and create a new gateway at the west end. Use the gate/s stored at Morgan’s and should replacement posts or battens be required for the fence, the Trust will reimburse those costs.

With regard to the layout of the proposed lease block, the Trust is concerned that in its current layout it would leave an area of unproductive or unusable land against the west boundary. Would it be possible to lengthen the northern boundary by approximately 8 metres and reduce the eastern and western boundaries to maintain the 1000 sq metres. This would create a ‘driveway’ that would allow access on to the whenua for everyone and allow for large vehicles if necessary. As time goes on and if more whanau wish to live on the whenua there is a need to protect the quantity and quality of the land available to do this.

Hope this finds you well

Patricia