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**MINUTES OF KOUITATA RESIDENTS COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL ON SUNDAY, 15 JULY 1990  
AT 11.00 A.M.**

**PRESENT:** R. Price (Chair), B. Wills (Deputy Chair), D. George (Treasurer/Acting Secretary), R. Sargeant, G. Clark.

**WARD MEMBERS:**

Councillor Lethbridge, Councillor Carmichael and Ms P. Taylor.

**VISITORS:** N. Eustace, C. Fraser.

**APOLOGIES:** J. Wilson (Mayor), Ms Fullerton-Smith, P. Fraser.

The Minutes from the last meeting (20 May 1990) were accepted as a correct record of those proceedings.

G. Clark/B. Wills

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

Councillor Lethbridge referred to Paragraph 6 (of the previous meeting) re the rate increase issue. He indicated that this information was not correct as the rates for the year 1990 have not yet been set.

**INWARD CORRESPONDENCE:**

Acting Secretary, D. George, read out a letter dated 18 June 1990 from Ms Fullerton-Smith who was replying to the Committee's letter dated 23 May 1990.

Ms Taylor elaborated on the points made:

**River Diversion** - no progress. Phil O'Connor is to arrange a meeting with Department of Conservation for further discussions about this project.

**Toilet Block Roof** - It was reiterated that this is not covered by a manufacture's warranty. This matter has been referred to the Engineering Department for a price to replace same.

**Firebreak/Road** - The Committee clarified to Ms Taylor that we request only a fire break - not a road. From this, a general discussion on the Sautoh Forest ensued.

**Corner** - no progress.

**WARD REPORT:**

**Flock House:**

Councillor Carmichael. The Flock House Cadet Scheme is now to be conducted at Wanganui Polytechnic. Services are to be provided in four areas - science and technology, quarantine and exotic animals/plants, agriculture and fisheries (M.A.F.), and as a conference centre. Flock House is developing its entrepreneurial and commercial activities within an aim to broaden its services as an applied research centre.

Corporate Plan:

Ms Taylor. Copies of the Rangitikei District Council Draft Annual Plan 1990/91, were issued to Committee members present. This document remains a draft but dynamic plan for the future.

Finance:

Ms Taylor. It was restated that the rates for 1990/91 have not yet been set. Koitiata will be classified as an urban rate within a differential rating system. The rates are set by tradition for facilities provided to the community and on capital value of land.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mrs George. Cash-in-hand - \$27.20. Bank Balance - \$447.83.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mr and Mrs Eustace are concerned about the Rubbish Tip contract lapsing under the Planes Trust and have written to Phil O'Connor, Councillor Lethbridge is to investigate this further. General discussion ensued about the rubbish tip covering topics of fencing, out-of-zone rubbish dumping (Council funding provides for this), bulldozing (done on request) and future rubbish collection, e.g. by bins under a transfer system.

It was moved that further investigation into this subject should be pursued.

B. Wills/R. Sargeant.

Phones:

A request was made that if, in an emergency, the phone lines were out of order for the whole settlement, that the citizens of Koitiata could use the Civil Defence Radio. This was granted on the auspices of the Civil Defence Coordinator, C. Fraser and Civil Defence Advisory to the Committee, R. Sargeant. In addition, it is noted that Geoff Clark (Committee Member) has a C.B. radio available for emergency purposes and is willing to provide a service to.

Dogs:

John Fraser (District Council) requested the Chairperson to nominate a person within the local community to act as Dog Warden (a remunerated position, e.g. a fee for each dog detained, mileage fee paid if the dog is to be impounded). The suggestion was for a letter-box drop to ask for volunteers for the position. Councillor Carmichael reiterated that Koitiata is included in the Dog Ranger Scheme in the Bulls District as of 31 May 1990 (Fred de Burgh, Dog Ranger). She also suggests a copy of the Hydatids Act, which includes dog owner responsibilities, should be included in the next rate demand and also to make a press statement in the Rangitikei Mail newspaper about our particular dog problem.

**Metal Chips:**

Metal chips were swept from in front of the Community Hall in preparation for resealing which has not been done. Ms Taylor is to investigate this.

**Fire Brigade First Aid Kit:**

Another general purpose First Aid Kit was provided by Mr Graham Robertson to the Volunteer Fire Brigade.

**In Appreciation:**

Thank you to the Abbott family for providing various items for the community's use from the estate of the late Lena and Noel Abbott. These items were gratefully received and will prove to be very beneficial to the community at large.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Sunday, 16 September 1990

Meeting closed at 12.05 p.m.