

# Oratia District & Ratepayers and Residents and Association Inc

Committee Meeting Minutes

Small Hall

569 West Coast Rd

Oratia

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**Date :** November 13 , 2012 7:30 – 9:30

**Attending:** Debbie Hall, Jo Hall, Gary Henderson , Penny Sparks, Jean Van Polanpetel, Natalie Spear and Jane Binsley (7:50)

**Apologies:** Paulette Tinsel, Dave Smith

## **Matters Arising:**

1. Real Estate Signs placement – Discussed information from Waitakere combined group Correspondence - Will put information up on the website - if you wish to express an opinion email Dean Allen, Henderson Valley - Team Leader Compliance & Monitoring (Gary Henderson)
2. Signs on toilet. Settlers Hall. Still to be done. (Gary)
3. Oratia Apple submissions – last chance, it's underway. Perhaps next Apple submissions include a poll of what is concerning locals. (Jane)
4. Contact owner of land, Mr Sunde, express an interest in working together to create a harmonious result so the area works as a whole. (Gary)
5. Thank you to West Coast Rd developer, Peter Reid, who wrote back. Information is on the website.

**Correspondence.** ( Accepted 1<sup>st</sup> Gary 2<sup>nd</sup> Natalie)

We are awaiting reply from Council (Brya) re toilet consultaion.

Gary Sent off funding application for Halls Fund

Discussed the Auckland Transport letter sent to the combined ratepayers group and issues around consultation.

## **Financial Report (Received 1<sup>st</sup> Gary 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie)**

Gary Henderson Presented the treasurers report.

Did Stephen Invoice for the Autumn issue of the Apple 2012 did we receive and coded how?

And breakdown detail of membership for the year. Penny to get further details.

Halls fund has been granted \$6000 coming in two weeks.

## **General Business**

- Website Photo/Picture Header Competition – to be created by Gary and he will email out the plan, then will put information in the next Apple and on website.
- Settlers Hall Heating – Declined. Will keep re-applying. (Paulette)
- Resolve that the association apply to The Trusts Community Foundation for \$4000.00 to cover costs of Settlers Hall curtains and trestle tables (Moved by Jane Seconded Natalie)
- Trestle Tables – will keep re-applying. (Paulette)
- New Year's Day Picnic at Dave and Barbara Harre's place this year. Details to be put in the Apple. Take your own picnic and a log of wood. Ratepayers take 2 sacks of Mussels and provide a port-a-loo. Musicians. New Potatoes. Lollie Scrambles. Sack Races. Shade cover – litter free Waitakere? Gold coin donation to go to the museum. 100<sup>th</sup> year picnic anniversary . Gary to catch up with David and get details for Apple invitation, and organise what support is required.
- Oratia Resident and Ratepayers Xmas Party- Committee and Families. Possible date December Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>? Gary's house. Gary to confirm
- Gardens around halls - It's looking unsightly. Council has done it historically. Request again to have council tidy it up. – Penny
- Security Guards for the hall – Commercial guards cost about \$35 - \$45 an hour plus GST. \$400 per night. We charge \$125 per night. What do Piha and Waitarua do? Debbie to get further information. Paul and Sue Dell sent hall rates. Hall rates to be reviewed..
- Fellow from Cockle Bay looking to create a combined meeting for all Auckland ratepayers group. Auckland Transport. Issues for Oratia Real Estate Signs. Priority for Rural Suburbs. Auckland Transport Consultation.
- Follow up with Shannon Dizac at council re playgroup soft fall. Penny
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- **Next Ratepayers Meeting – Tuesday December 11, 2012**

*The objects of the Association are to co-operate with the council in looking after the affairs of the District and to secure the maximum fair expenditure of the General Rates levied by the Council within the District for the benefit of ratepayers, residents and visitors; and to pursue any activities which aim at improving or preserving the social, sporting, safety, beauty, or any other utilities or amenities of the District.*