**Oratia Ratepayers & Residents**

**March 2016 Minutes**

**Attending**: Penny Sparks, Jonathan Wood, Brian Lythe, David Smith, Jo Hall, Ben Chester, Jean Van Polanen Patel, Local Board Member: Greg Presland

**Date:** 8/3/16 Second Tuesday of the Month, Oratia Small Hall

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Correspondence: Tabled

**Local Board Update:**

* Halls and Marae Fund – Greg confirmed. There will be a Halls and Marae fund coming up soon.
* Exterior Paint: Coming up in report April can consider it for 2016/17 budget
* Transport Projects: There have been some price increases to the proposed project.
* Council consultation is on now for 16/17 budget. Issues including UAGC, Interim Transport Levy Business $185 Personal $115, Farm and Lifestyle Rates: Proposal used to be that lifestyle subisidised large farms. Now proposing every ratepayer would subsidise the big farms of about $3 a year.
  + **Discussion Points Raised**
  + Exterior Painting Small Hall – Costs about $30k for Small Hall – includes roof, wrap for any lead and scaffolding. Dave will forward quote to the board, taking it back to wood and remove lead paint.
  + Development contributions: Sale of land on Glengarry appears to be a walkway land that would have been a development contribution to council. Where did that money go. Doesn’t it have to be used for the purposes it was given. Email Question to Greg
  + Barrier on Parrs Park roundabout has been broken for ages - Greg Will follow up.
  + The Transport Project is removed from the Agenda and will be debated outside of public view.

**General Business:**

* Oratia Entrance Sign:. Various options and questions on Location, which sign and planting options. Put out for consultation again.
* Transport: Ben Chester to respond to and liaise and respond to transport project / crossing.
* Dave to contact Chris re Cones as it’s going to be updated.
* Apple: Printing. Penny to do invoices. Despatch Manager: Jean
* Film Club Starting it’s 2016 season.
* Website: Changed templates and hosting.
* Halls : Public Liability quote to forward for approval. Get in Place.

R&R and Apple Volunteers Very Late Christmas Event: 3:30 – 6:00 March 20th and address and mobile. Apply for Neighbours Day funding for event.