

Opening Karakia	Kenross Campbell
Whakatuwhera	Paul Ratapu
Attendance Sheet	Attached
Apologies	Gail Hurinui, Pania Tyson-Nathan, Glenn Webber, Huia Dyjak, Online: Michelle Maru, Jimmy Golly, Pua Taumata
	Motion: "To accept the apologies"  Moved: Paul Ratapu, Seconded: Liz Palmer  For: All, Objections: 0, Abstentions: 0
Approval of Minutes from the previous meeting	Amendments Page 4 line 9 - change expand to disband.  Motion: "To accept the Hui-A-Iwi minutes of the meeting held on 16th March 2024."  Moved: Paul Ratapu, Seconded: Jody Rarere For: All, Objections: 0, Abstentions: 0
Chairman's Report	He Mahere (Strategic Plan) can be obtained from the RIT Office or available on <a href="www.rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz">www.rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz</a> which outlines priority projects and key initiatives. Traffic light system is used to represent performance outcomes. Green - on track Amber - needs work Red - Needs attention  Rongomaiwahine has a seat on the Iwi Māori Partnership Board. Dental Program - From 14th - 18th October will see 5 days of dental work in Mahia. If you would like to be a part of this initiative, email <a href="www.koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz">koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz</a> Kaimahi will be taking names who are eligible for this service, and a list of what services are available will be communicated. Key part is to gather as much information to better understand the health needs for our people. This plugs into a process that is documented and is confidential, and assists with funding applications.  Trinity Dental has been engaged by the Iwi Māori Partnership Board, Rongomaiwahine has a seat on the Iwi Māori Partnership Board. Rongomaiwahine Iwi trust is working with Clayton Kohatu to create a plan





for Rongomaiwahine. Funding has been obtained from Te Aka Whai Ora to engage whānau for health needs.

Housing program - Collected data has helped create two housing funding applications. Unfortunately, the Government has paused all funding streams until next year.

> Motion: "To Accept the Chairman's Report report" Moved: Paul Ratapu, Seconded: Darren Te Rangi For: All, Objections: 0, Abstentions: 0

#### **Financial Report**

Financial cover, Rongomaiwahine Grouped profit and loss, balance sheet for both entities have been provided by Michelle Ewington.

Any questions can be emailed to <a href="mailto:koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz">koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz</a>

Motion: "To Accept the Financial Report" Moved: Paul Ratapu, Seconded: Hinepua Morrison For: 36, Objection: 0, Abstention: Murry Hemepo

# Tātau Tātau Report

**Leon Symes** 

#### **Trust Activities**

Operations: Staffing continues to be stable with capability being developed internally-Government Agencies: Focus been around Temporary and Permanent Housing initiatives—Annual Distribution: Re-forecast has been completed the amount for distribution will increase

# **Commercial Activities**

Commercial Board: Uplift in returns and an increase to the asset base from previous years-Horticulture Project: Water storage with further planting underway including a RIF application—Te RauāHousing Project: Houses about to be built with tenancy policy being developed

## **DSP Properties**

Transfer of YMCA Property and Opoutama School delayed until next year due to LINZ-Mahia East Coast Road Forest on hold waiting a response from LINZ around valuations –Further options being developed to support aspirations of our people for these properties

YMCA building has asbestos which needs to be removed. LINZ is responsible for these properties, for the work to be carried out, and will cover the cost.





Rongomaiwahine wants these DSP properties with no risk or liabilities. Priority is to de-risk these properties.

#### **Other Matters**

Wharerata Forestry Limited: Issues around firewood harvesting and processing being sorted—Cyclone Recovery: Flood resilience is a major concern working closely with HBRC and WDC—Cyclone Recovery: 80 Pods delivered to sites and a further 6 in the process being placed—Cyclone Recovery: 14 Homes repaired further 7 funded, additional funding required

The Trust Board is in the process of creating an Asset Holding Committee who have the expertise to make the right decisions on behalf of our people.

Mahia Camping Ground is owned by Tātau Tātau. In the future there is a possibility to be on sold to Rongomaiwahine

Motion: "To Accept the Tātau Tātau Report"

Moved: Paul Ratapu, Seconded: Phil Te Hau

For: All, Objections: 0, Abstentions: 0

#### **Operations Report**

Chief Executive Officer - Terence Maru Jnr

Operations have begun to provide a monthly pānui in an attempt to be less informal and more inviting. Attached to the agenda is the July and August edition. Pānui is sent to all beneficiaries registered on the Rongomaiwahine lwi database. If you would like a notice added to the pānui please email koreromai@rongomaiwahine.iwi.nz

Motion: "To Accept the Operations Report"

Moved: Paul Ratapu, Seconded: Darren Te Rangi
For: 36, Objections: Murry Hemopo, Abstentions: 0

#### **General Business**

Grace Ormond on behalf of Mahia Māori Committee - Presentation provided.

Raellen Te Nahu provided a copy of the below.

## **Background**

#### The Mahia Tribal Committee – Wikitoria Howe

The Mahia Tribal Committee (as it was known back in the 40-70's) had more power than the police. They removed people (permanently) out of the peninsula, frowned upon very seriously on extra marital affairs, excess drinking, wife/kids beating, helped with clothing



each one's kids. Lent clothes, shoes, left, right, centre to those families whose kids were chosen to represent Whakarewa (as it was named then) school – Mahia, nowadays but they were also very discreet. No one knew who wandered around, and with who, just that one minute they were home here, then they were gone. Always the men though were relocated not the mama and the kids. As far as I can remember we, the following named were the last on the peninsula to be dealt with by the Tribal Committee; (Marae Justice) Sophie and Kathleen Cracknell, Matariki and Isaac Campbell, Tonto Pohe, Doughy Wilson, Louia and Emma Cotton, Jackie and Penu Wairau, Horiana Te Ngaio and Britannia Peka, Harry Te Ngaio, Super Rarere, Sarah Keil, Janet Beale, Judy Wairau, Violet Chase, Maude Blake, Dora Taumata, Walter Harrison, Josephine Wairau, Alison Foster, Roger Anderson, , Poppy Baker, Sonia Whaanga, Robert Rarere, Florence Spark, Shirley and David Scott, Wi Smith, Mahu and Jordan Karangaroa, Gleam Tuhi, Kumeroa Te Nahu and Wikitoria Te Nahu. Infringement – eating the passenger's fruit and cakes that were stored on the shelving above the seats in the bus. Punishment – we had to front up at Tuahuru Marae and stand before the whole community including every tribal committee between here and Wairoa. So shameful, we had shamed our parents and never did it again. Blucks Transport, who owned the bus, wanted to throw us off, it was our only way to Wairoa College.

#### Mahia Maori Committee - Rae Te Nahu

When I returned to Mahia during the early eighties and some years down the track, Cousin Bill Greening encouraged me to attend the Mahia Maori Committee Meetings. This committee was the only legal organisation functioning here at the time I became involved. Uncle Bob Rarere, Sonny Whaanga, Moana Whaanga, Reo Ormond, Bill Blake, Papa Peter Ormond, Arthur Williams, Louia and Tup Karauria, Pauline Tangiora, Huia McKenzie, Bill Greening, Joan Ropiha, Pikihoro Tuhi, Alice Wairau, Morehu Cooper, Arthur Bowen, Pera Edwards, Dean Whaanga to name a few, along with so many others, ran the committee and many were there in support. The committee not only addressed all the customary matters at home, but they also dealt with matters that were going on in the community, particularly issues dealing with the local and regional council's development plans for Mahia.

I attended a Mahia Maori Committee meeting at Kaiuku around the time the Resource Management Act was implemented. Peter Freeman from the



Wairoa District Council was in attendance to present this taake to the committee. Peter explained that the council needed an organisation for the council to engage with. The marae present did not want to take on this responsibility. Peter stated that if no organisation would become the one for the council to engage with then, the council would run Mahia from Wairoa. Bill Greening conversed with Uncle Bob Rarere who was the chair, and they agreed that the Mahia Maori Committee would engage with the council regarding the RMA issues at that time. Throughout the years, legislation brought in so many rules and regulations that has kept the Mahia Maori Committee busy ensuring tangata whenua had opportunities to have input into our customary fisheries and an opportunity to manage our own fisheries resources. Being the Gazetted Authority in the area, the committee over time has endorsed 3 Mataitai and several Tangata Kaitiaki being representatives of our marae and landowners. Their role in monitoring and managing these mataitai and rohe moana resources will ensure sustenance for generations to come. The Mahia Maori Committee has been functioning much longer than the period I have given, and it has a long history and wealth of knowledge pertaining to our customary rights and practices.

# Grace Ormond presentation – tamariki mahi next generation succession plan

#### Puti Moa - Chair of the Mahia Māori Committee

Monthly hui are continuing. 1st Sunday of every month, Next hui on 1st September 2024, Kaiuku at 1pm all are welcome. Wanted our Kuia to share their knowledge and history of this committee. Have been building relationships with others in Mahia.

Te Ruruka Pa is located at Grace Ormond on the Lane Road.

Lesley Taurima - Has not been a part of the whole korero but what has been said today, maybe a hui with MMC to avoid the issues raised today.

Terence Maru Snr - Shared his vision and spoke about unity, working together.

Juanita Symes - In order to move forward we need to be more transparent and work together. Hope and wish for the best outcomes but do agree with



	Aunty Les that a hui with MMC could have avoided any issues. Teach our young ones to not dismantle themselves from the inside out.
	Wikitoria Howe wanted to announce that her Mokopuna has been picked for the Ross Shield and needs to lose 4kgs.
	Kenross Campbell would like to acknowledge and introduce Brianna Boxall who whakapapa to Rongomaiwahine and is an award winning lawyer.
Whakakapi	Rohan Ormond