

# STONEFIELDS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC. (SRA)

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD SUNDAY, 18 MAY 2014 AT 2 PM. STONEFIELDS SCHOOL HALL

#### **Invitees:**

All members of the Stonefields Residents' Association

#### **Apologies:**

Aaron Smail

John Wilkinson

Simon O'Connor – MP for Tamaki

Pat and Keith Reid – Guyon Street

Julianne and Paul Gilmore – Scoria Crescent

Lyndsay and Judy Jackson - Baber Drive

#### **Observers:**

Desley Simpson Chair of the Orākei Local Board

Colin Davis from the Orākei Local Board

#### **1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as an accurate record. Moved by Hari Segar, seconded by Leon Yankelowitz.

#### **2. Chairman's Report:**

The Chairman's report was taken as read. Hari Segar, Chairman of the SRA Committee, moved that this report be accepted, seconded by John Kerr.

#### **3. Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report was taken as read. Kaajal Dijkstra, outgoing Treasurer of the SRA Committee, moved that this report be accepted, seconded by Leon Yankelowitz.

#### **4. Amendments to the Rules of the Stonefields Residents' Association (SRA):**

The following motion was put forward:

"To resolve that the Rules annexed to this resolution marked "A" be adopted as the rules of Stonefields Residents Association Incorporated to replace the Rules registered on 12 October 2012"

This motion was moved by Hari Segar, seconded by Tony Candy.

#### **5. Election of Committee Members:**

The following nominations for the Stonefields Residents Association Committee were received:

- a. Hari Segar
- b. John Harris
- c. Robert Scott
- d. John Kerr
- e. Rex Maddock
- f. Caroline DeLong
- g. Trevor Brown

h. Gilbert Myles

It was moved that the nominations were accepted by Kay Hegan, seconded by Deidre Rennie.

#### **6. Watercare and the forth-coming public meeting with Watercare:**

Members were advised to attend the public meeting with Watercare on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 7pm at the Stonefields School Hall. A quick survey of the AGM showed that three quarters of members were concerned with the Watercare issue. Members were encouraged to attend to voice their concern. In addition the SRA will be putting together a list of questions for the meeting.

#### **7. Transport and Council Issues:**

The SRA now has a dialog with Auckland Transport and are working through the following issues:

- Public Transport (feeder buses to and from Stonefields to train stations),
- Walkways over drains on Stonefields Ave, noted at AGM that this was already completed.
- Developer allowance for parking.
- Speed limits in Stonefields, providing safe speed signs at all entrances to Stonefields.
- Lost on street parking.

Other issues which have been/are being addressed by the SRA are:

- Algae in lake, there has been an improvement in the amount of Algae in the lake, but this issue is ongoing.
- Ngahue cycleway, proposed for 2014/2015
- Walkway connection to Lunn Ave, working with The Warehouse to develop.
- Parking in and around school

#### **8. Warehouse Development on Lunn Ave:**

An overview of the Warehouse Development (location, boardwalk connection to Stonefields, etc) was provided. Residents asked to view plans once they are finalized. These will be placed on the website. The biggest concern raised by the residents, regarding The Warehouse Development, was the potential traffic issues.

#### **9. Update on the Oceania Project:**

Tai Nicholas from the Oceania Football Confederation was unable to attend the AGM.

#### **10. Other business:**

##### **a. Security:**

- Street Cameras: Residents raised the suggestion of getting street cameras installed as a way to heighten the security measures in Stonefields. It was noted that all residents (100%) would need to agree on this.
- Community Patrols: Ellerslie have a community patrol which goes to Ngahue Drive. They would need 6 volunteers, 1 night a month, to include Stonefields in the patrol area.

##### **b. Postbox at Market: Gilbert Myles will investigate the possibility of getting a post box at the Stonefields Market.**

##### **c. Berms: Colin Davis (from OLB) reminded all residents that it was their responsibility to cut their berms and to keep Stonefields nice and tidy.**

##### **d. NZ Native Park: Residents voiced a concern that the wildflowers in the park did not work, and as a result have been removed. Residents want to see the park developed and not left as it currently is. The residents will draft a letter with their design thoughts and the SRA will take their ideas to Council via the OLB.**

##### **e. Toi-toi: It was noted that the toi-toi plants seemed to be taking over and they needed to be removed.**

## **Chairman's Report to the Stonefields Residents Association AGM, 18 May 2013**

It has been a busy year for the Association. We had two of our Chairmen leave because of other commitments, but with the support of our remaining committee members, the Local Board Chair, Desley Simpson and also Board member, Colin Davis we have been able to continue with our activities. We are again appreciative of the advice, support and guidance we have received from the Orākei Local Board.

### **Activities in 2013-2014**

We organised or participated in the following community activities:

- Halloween night in Stonefields
- Christmas picnic in the park
- Stonefields School Gala
- Wetlands Clean-up

### **Issues:**

Issues that were raised in the first year of operation of the Association are still a high priority for the Association and updates of some of these issues will be presented at the AGM, and I'm sure most of you will be pleased at the progress.

- The water in the large lake in the wetlands is no longer green so hopefully this will last as Rex Maddox keeps his watchful eye on the wetlands
- We still liaise with Todd Property, and get regular consents from the Council to keep us aware of current and future development within Stonefields, with John Kerr monitoring all activities
- The Association made submissions to the, Proposed Unitary Plan, the 2014/2015 Annual Plan and the proposed Warehouse development on Lunn Avenue with Robert Scott and John Kerr preparing and presenting these submissions. We are indeed fortunate to have a Consultant Planner and Consultant Engineer on our Committee. They will present updates at the AGM.

However, there are some issues that we are still working on and we are making some progress:

- Roading issues
- The pedestrian connectivity to Lunn Avenue
- A bicycle lane on Ngahue Avenue

The issue of the non-potable water is not yet resolved. The Association is standing firm that we, as home owners, have a binding contract (which we were forced into as a condition of purchase) with the provider of water. We have paid for this in our property purchase, we have to maintain it, but we are still not getting it. More on this will be discussed at the AGM and again at a public meeting with the Deputy CEO of Watercare (**Friday, 23 May 2014 at the School Hall starting at 7pm**). After the press releases, editorial in the Herald and the open letter to Stonefields residents this is the first time someone from Watercare has been willing to front-up to the people most affected. The whole of Stonefields must be present at this meeting, as whatever Watercare (as a monopoly provider) decides, directly affects all of us.

The Committee has undertaken a review of the Rules of the Stonefields Residents' Association (SRA) in order to make them compliant with the amended Incorporated Societies Act. The amendments to the rules will be presented for membership approval at the AGM. We thank Tina Wilson, a local solicitor and one of Stonefields' first residents, for guiding us through the process. Many of you may have noticed our new website. We continue to improve. The new Remuera Residents' Association likes what we have done and they are progressing with their website in a similar vein. We are all volunteers on the Association, but we do need your help to succeed, so please help us to help you.

Hari Segar  
Chairman, Stonefields Residents' Association

	<b>Stonefields Residents' Association</b>			
	<b>Annual Treasurer's Report</b>			
	<b>Financial Year 01/4/2013 to 31/03/2014</b>			
	<b>Dr (\$)</b>	<b>Cr (\$)</b>		<b>Balance (\$)</b>
<b>Opening Balance b/f as at 01/04/2013</b>				<b>3665.13</b>
<b>Income:</b>				
<b>Deposit</b>		<b>262.80</b>		
<b>Other Income (Orakei Board Grant)</b>		<b>5000.00</b>		
			<b>5262.80</b>	
<b>Expenditure:</b>				
<b>Cheques</b>	<b>-3476.69</b>			
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			<b>-3476.69</b>	<b>1786.11</b>
<b>Closing Balance as at 31/03/2014</b>				<b>5451.24</b>