

MINUTES OF THE 46th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
THE PŪKOROKORO MIRANDA NATURALIST' TRUST HELD
AT THE SHOREBIRD CENTRE ON SUNDAY 16 MAY 2021
FROM 11am.

PRESENT: The Chairperson (Will Perry), Treasurer (Kevin Vaughan) Secretary, (Trish Wells) and about 56 members

Will Perry started meeting by acknowledging previous chairs present, *Gillian Vaughan David Lawrie*

APOLOGIES: Gillian Eller, Rowena West, Stuart and Alison Chambers, Mary-Ann Rowland, Jennifer George, Sue Townsend, Sue and Ashley Reid, *added* Sue Cook, Jan Velvin, Marie Ward

APOLOGIES ACCEPTED (Bruce Postill / Wendy Hare)

MINUTES: of 45th AGM 2020 as Published in **Pūkoro koro Miranda News (PMN) May 2021 (Issue 120) p20-21** MINUTES ACCEPTED (Chris Eagles/ Kevin Vaughan)

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: none

CHAIRPERSON REPORT: as Published in **PMN (Issue 120) p19**

Introducing Council Members

- Adrian Riegen
- Jim Eagles
- Gillian Vaughan
- Kevin Vaughan
- Ann and Ray Buckmaster
- Bruce Postill
- Trish Wells
- David Lawrie
- Trudy Lane
- Wendy Hare
- Will Perry

TREASURERS REPORT: **PMN (Issue 120) p21** Our Mantra: *Keep the birds coming*

Kevin Vaughan presents annual accounts, the format which is set by the Charities Commission. It is a public document, and a full set of accounts 17 pages are on our website. Printed copies are also available. Report covers our purpose from our constitution, outcomes we are seeking, and what we achieved. Provided is a summary of the 9 pages of numbers: Shop sales have increased; donations are

down as previous year we had big fundraising for the big drop. A bit down on income due to not repeating appeal for the red knot.

Biggest costs are employment costs and renovating the bathrooms in the units. Covid-19 effect, shop sales, field courses down, we received government subsidy Bequests and accommodation revenue is up

Surprisingly total income was up (due to grants and bequest money)

Spending was down, wages were down educator and shore guide weren't an expense. 217,000 deficit last year compared to this year we are in the black

Audit report – 3 pages to give us the green tick

PROPOSE ACCOUNTS (Kevin Vaughan/ Ann Buckmaster) **APPROVED**

Questions? Credit cards, charges, PayPal, Tap point \$35 per month +2.5%

Baker Tilly Staples Rodway are happy to be re-appointed as auditors

Approved (David Lawrie/John Rowe) CARRIED

Kevin thanked Keith, Chelsea and Ann and Anne for assisting which makes the role of treasurer easier

Acknowledge Baker Tilly Staples Rodway Auditors, who are not a big commercial firm, yet are happy to continue.

In conclusion Kevin expressed thanks to all who have given us money: Ron & Edna Greenwood Env Trust, Mazda Foundation, EAAF Partnership, Len Reynolds Trust, Dept of Conservation (DOC), Trust Waikato, Chisholm Whitney Charitable Trust, Lush NZ, Tauranga City Council, Piesse Memorial, OSNZ, and all Members and Supporters.

PROPOSED (Chris Eagles / Wendy Hare) CARRIED

SUBSCRIPTIONS. Recommend subscriptions unchanged- no increase. CARRIED

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Treasurer – Kevin Vaughan elected unopposed CARRIED

Secretary - Trish Wells elected unopposed

10 Council Members:

Adrian Riegen, Gillian Vaughan, David Lawrie, Ann Buckmaster, Ray Buckmaster, Jim Eagles, Bruce Postill, Trudy Lane, Wendy Hare and Will Perry are all elected to Council.

Elected 12 – unopposed – no other submissions

26th July meeting, the Chair will be elected by Council Members

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Chris Thompson asked about managers cottage. Obtained land Use consent. Geotech engineers footing design, Keith Hay homes, request building consent, aim is to be in by Christmas

Joe de Jong asked about botulism outbreak. Keith responded: Algae Bloom, response from Waikato district. Response plan developed, Lynn Miller: should it happen again, response very quick across many organizations including Council response. In a far better position now if it was to happen again. Apply for resource consent to re-establish the drainage of the ponds.

Tansy asked about predator control and Thames DOC, what effect is it having? And impact on the birds?

Joe: Cycle path application for a go-slow area? (We will discuss in next council meeting)

Chair: Thank you for your presence and participation

Ray: Findlay Reserve planting, thank you to all from last year and plea for more volunteers and we are planting again time 9-12 (get fed) please add email details to the form to receive updates from Friends of Findlay

Meeting Closed at 11.57