



TE TI A MAORI RESERVATION WAITANGI MARAE

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6 July 2024 Special General Meeting (SGM) at the Waitangi Yacht Club 9 a.m.
Attendance list attached.

Karakia and opening mihi Ngati Kawa. Response from Hama, George Howard and Norman Hohepa.

KAPU TI – HUI RESUMED AT 940am.

Apologies. Danny Tuato'o, Bill Tane, Saku Taurua, Lani Apiata, Ihapera Faigama'a, Aquellah Faigama'a, Deepika Narayan, Hapeta Rameka, George Ashby.

Motion to accept apologies

Hinewhare moves Ngaire Apiata seconds.

No objections. Carried.

Ngati Kawa: Opens hui, Introduction, Health & Safety, Whanaungatanga. Danny Tuato'o sends his apologies as he contacted me at 8am this morning to say he has been called away to a whanau emergency.

Esme and Susan are our scribes today. (recording on)

AGENDA

Apologies

Whare Tupuna reopening and what does Waitangi Week 2025 look like?

Charter Review

General Business (Hinewhare requests the scout den and kindly to go on the agenda, Ngati Kawa doesn't want our business overloaded but will see how time goes)

Confirm next SGM 7th Sept 2025

PREVIOUS SGM MINUTES 20/04/2024

Fonz: gives heart felt apologies to Esme and Jim for behaviour at last SGM 20/04/2024. Esme accepts, Fonz will follow up with apology to Jim as he is currently absent.

Ngati Kawa: apologies for lateness of last SGM minutes, we had technical difficulties of accidentally deleting the file and had to track back over our recording equipment to recapture the minutes. Asks for SGM minutes to be received.

Ngati Kawa: are we happy to receive the SGM minutes.

Motion to receive the SGM minutes

Hama/moves Ata/ seconds

No objections. Carried

Ngati Kawa: Marae opening what will it look like? Who's coming? Tentative date given 03/02/2025.

Hinewhare: can we split the agenda to have Whare Tupuna reopening and Waitangi 2025 discussed seperately?

Ngati Kawa: all options are up for discussion, but we need to decide earlier then later to ensure we have time to prepare preferably before October.

Hinewhare: had issue with the professional security team. They were everywhere, it was confusing. Insists on appropriate security for Waitangi 2025.

Esme: we were happy with HT Security as our home kaitiaki team was low in numbers. HT Security added input, it was a big help to the marae.

Ata: can we keep to the kaupapa please we are repeating the same issues and discussions that we covered at the debrief in February 2024.

Ngati Kawa: tautoko Ata and asks everyone to participate in the survey to get feedback for Waitangi Week. Go to our website - www.waitangimarae.co.nz. And share it around with whanau afar so we can ensure good Hapu feedback. We as trustees have decided on the 3rd of Feb 2025, we haven't planned much further as we wanted to bring it here first to gain support.

Merehora: we need to get on with this, what is the date of the re-opening of the Whare Tupuna? 3rd Feb 2025, do you support that date. Yes.

Mark: Introduces himself to whanau, Taurua/ Katterns Whakapapa explains Tana Apiata position and updates on construction stages.

- Waharoa refurbishments, will have a new roof, carvings are off but nearly ready to go back on. There is no extension to waharoa, it will remain the same size and keep its two concrete bollards for health&safety.

- Porch ramp will be extended to comply with health&safety compliance and handrails. Appropriate gradient. Is bigger width, length and height, surround seating.

- Windows replaced, painted to match looking awesome.

- Mattress Store, modified, back door ramp.

- Ceiling painted, sprinklers, data cable wiring, structural steel beams done and covered with timber and plasterd.

- Sacred Wall/Carvings Taonga and Whakairo been in offsite storage since the closure. Esme and Ma are responsible for photos and any querries they can be contacted the Downsizing of some photos is essential also informing families of downsizing.

- Tukutuku wananga are very successful, the numbers are abit low but the mahi and learning is awesome. Trina is very capable, and we are blessed to have another one of our whanau working with us who is of such high calibre. She is nationally recognised and has participated in the restoration of several Marae throughout nz.

- Carvings we are very blessed to have one of our own, Lani Apiata a renowned Tohunga Whakakairo supervising and working on our taonga. There have been some unforeseen issues, but Lani has managed to adjust and continue his beautiful mahi. We must acknowledge that Lani and his wife Ata have committed themselves whole heartedly to this project and even with some health issues they continue to tautoko our Hapu.

Stage 2

- Atea paepae shelters, hope to start mid-August /October

- Disable carpark back left-hand side of Whare Tupuna

- Behind the whare kai is sprinkler valve room with diesel pump.

- Maintenance shed

Stage 3

Extend kitchen dependant on Hapu input.

Hinewhare: are we being rushed where's the 3 flagpoles?

Mark: we are looking at 1 flagpole, Hapu are invited to input any ideas concerning the MDP we will be finished by the 20/01/2025 if issueless.

Merehora: we removed the 3 poles because there's only one flag – TE KARA. Mark: one pole 3 flags like the treaty grounds.

Hinewhare: if we stick to one flagpole we should stick to the 94 charter.

Ngati Kawa: can we please carry on with the agenda, the next Tukutuku wananga is 26-28 July. Please share the panui, all welcome to attend.

Ata: money (funding) is needed for Te Ringa Toi.

Shervonne: works for one of the biggest crane services in the world, she has offered her services for the MDP which is greatly appreciated.

Ngaira: wants to talk about the reopening on the 3rd of Feb 2025 and are the Whakaahua going up on the front wall? it is a very important kaupapa. I want to know the decision asap so we can share it with the whanau.

Esme: presents korero to hapu about current storage, downsizing, asks for Hapu to individually make decisions about their own whakaahua and give input into process and reinstallation of whakaahua wananga would be a good way of collating any input and that it is integral that we have Kuia Kaumatua guidance to ensure the correct process is performed.

Merehora: we must have trust in the trustees to start the process and to propose an operational plan for 3rd Feb 2024 event.

Maureen: bring it back to the Hapu Tikanga. Hapeta spoke about Marupo's flags, there is a deep korero.

Ata: agrees with Maureen, deadlines make it hard. We may not be ready by the opening, where are our kuia /kaumatua? I want Ngati Kawa Ngati Rahiri to regain the mana of the marae and to take ownership of the reopening. How we run the marae is important.

Ata: In 1960's, the photos were hung inside during tangihanga then taken home. 1990's tautoko was given to put photo's up on the main wall. Input from whanau was integral.

Hinewhare: can we delay the reopening of the Marae but continue with Waitangi 2025

Ngaira: tautoko Hinewhare and it will awahi our Toi Whaikairo by giving them more time

Billie: would prefer we reopen Waitangi 2025 and set a date for wananga to discuss things further. We have been doing tukutuku and talk about everything, talk while we work.

Hinewhare: this reopening should be about us not the rest of the world.

Hama: can we get back on track please. We need more people to participate in the korero so we can make decisions.

Rangi: explains the longer we are closed, the more it costs us. Mark will complete it by 20th Jan, I support 3rd Feb 2025 reopening. And adds she would like photos on canvas, less issues with broken glass or busted frames etc.

Susan: We were Hapu, now we are trustees. We as trustees need Hapu to support decisions. What are your aspirations? Same people every year. Who can come help in the Kitchen, Whare, Admin, Security, Cleaning etc lets move forward together with good mauri and whanaungatanga.

Merehora: marae didn't happen overnight, always offer to help but no one wants to know. We all need to understand the Kawa. Let the whanau/Hapu reopen the whare.

Maureen: was budget accounted for MDP?

Ngati Kawa: Stage 1 is almost completed and is budgeted for.

Mark: design, consent then funders are approached. We are looking for more support for stage 2.

Maureen: Lotteries? Yes, it has been applied for.

Doris: voicing her whakaaro. Anyone with mokopuna that would like to tautoko Papa Lani. Nau mai, haere mai.

Gineva: Nanny Ani is happy to give guidance and will support the decision that is made.

Ata: we all have our places, we need guidance, prioritise the teaching of the Tikanga.

Shervonne: when do you want to reopen and who should be the officials involved? She has noticed it's the same faces and they are being overworked. 3.2 of the charter, there should be no difference between Hapu and Trustees. Is pleased to have been welcomed with open arms during the closing of the whare (has just lately returned from Australia to move home). She has some transferable skills she would like to contribute.

Hinewhare: doesn't want to participate with tukutuku but is open to Hapu wananga, we were supposed to be having all our hui wananga in Oromahoe but here we are at the yacht club, another meeting at the school. What happen?

Ngati Kawa: Nobody has stated 'Only Oromahoe' all maraes are subject to booking availability. Keep moving forward please, we are having a lot of korero and feedback which is a good thing and it's coming together nicely. Ma has put her hand up to lead the kitchen Waitangi 2025.

Whati: Tautoko whanau, kuia, kaumatua. There are valid concerns, but we put the trustees in place to make decisions. We have some faith and sort the issues at the wananga.

Maureen: supports the 3rd Feb 2025 reopening if it enables the opening the Paremata Maori on 6th Feb but we need a Hapu wananga 3,4,5, August or 9,10,11 August?

Hinewhare: I don't really care what date the reopening is but I'm against the 3rd Feb. Are we working with the Treaty Grounds or not? The Kindy and Scout Den are ours, we cut it down to a 3-year lease. We need to have a Hapu hui.

Audrey Biester: The only real hold up is whether the carvings will be ready or not.

Merehora: Yes, that correct but what other reason is there for us not to open on the 3rd Feb 2025. We need to work this out and make a decision.

Billie: Let's open on the 3rd of Feb 2025.

Rangi: it will cost us \$670 a day after the 20/01/2025.

Gineva: 17th July Funding ends.

Motion to confirm the 3rd Feb 2025 for the reopening of our Whare Tupuna.

Norman Hohepa moves Ngati Kawa seconds.

Motion. Carried. Objections. Hinewhare. Maureen. Haywood. (process). Karo and Doris. (citing pressure on Lani).

Maureen: put proposal forward for Hapu tautoko

Billie: Hapu hui comes under Hapu not trustees so who from the Hapu will pay for the 21-day notice, venue and kai? I put my hand up.

Lunch Break 130pm to 2pm

Charter Review.

Susan: runs thru the minutes and Charter korero from 20/04/24 SGM.

Uncle Jim gave financials update korero about upskilling treasurer marae /treasurer always works with accountant. Isaiah talked about funds utilised to take ope to Wellington for his appointment to Arawhiti. Are we charitable trust or marae? Outcome of the audit presented. Trustees do not support the use of marae funds for buying alcohol? Danny then introduces Charter and survey, what do the whanau want?

Fonz: wants the last minutes to read Skirmish not negative threats. It has been noted that Fonz has apologised.

Merehora: Where is the secretary, Maryanne? She should be here. Who is taking the minutes? The draft charter says if a trustee does not attend a certain number of consecutive meetings etc they should stand down or can be stood down.

Esme: We are allowed to delegate mahi such as minute taking, sometimes it is necessary to tautoko each other which we as trustees do so we may move forward.

Ata: Sort your secretary out, incorrect process. Trustees may be liable for defamation of character.

Hinewhare; there were 4 charters mentioned, where are they? We should have copies of all the charters. I want an explanation, also has issue with our court appointed facilitator Danny.

Ngati Kawa; the 2018 charter was a draft that wasn't adopted, and the "Danny" version is a template that we can use to guide us to create a "new" charter.

Kim: there are not 4 charters, there 2 official Kim gives a clear transparent explanation.

Hinewhare: wants it recorded 2018 draft charter needs to be removed.

Shervonne: are we looking to amend the charter?

Susan: 2018 draft charter was never adopted. We are updating the 94 charter and the 2019 (charitable trust) charter is active. Ngati Kawa adds, Danny has been walking us thru the 2023 draft template and we made it to point 12.

Motion to approve the 20 April 2024 SGM minutes as a true and correct record

Hama moves Kim Ashby seconds

Motion carried – Hinewhare and Merehora objects. Kim notes to correct the spelling of Merehora's name.

WHAKAPAPA WANANGA

Ngati Kawa: Who has connection? We need to know the history of our marae. This will determine who are the beneficiaries of our marae and maintains our whakapapa connection to Te Raa and Ngati Rahiri.

Ata: Whenua was allocated back to marae reserve in the 90s

Merehora: we need the true history of the whenua. The Ti Block is 700 acres according to the 1891 court record. I have a problem with people saying they own the land, we belong to the land.

Ngati Kawa: You have to be a member of Ngati Rahiri to be voted in as a trustee. There are people contesting this, it needs to be sorted in a wananga.

Merehora: What about the 1994 Gazette? People of NZ V Ngati Rahiri. 1.3 of the SGM minutes. Te Ture Whenau Sec 338 sub section 3. Its up to us to determine if the People of NZ is in or not.

Ata: Many people claim they belong to Ngati Rahiri and to Te Raa, but do they?

Hinewhare: Wants courts to appoint another charter facilitator, is Danny a Facilitator or the trustee's lawyer? Ngati Kawa responds that Danny provides legal advice to us as trustees and is appointed by the MLC to facilitate this Marae Charter review. I do not see any breach of law. I don't agree to replace Danny as the Court appointed facilitator cause its just gonna slow the process down and take us longer.

Gineva: Bids farewell, her and Aunty Ani depart for Oromahoe

Hama: thanks everyone, let's wrap it up. We've used up a lot of energy. God bless us all.

Ngati Kawa: Asks meeting next time to be strictly on the Charter with no other items on the agenda.

Hinewhare: Wants 3 charters to be made available. Ngati Kawa agreed.

Next Meeting. Waitangi Yacht Club. 9a.m. 07/09/2024.

Rangi Tawhiao: Karakia and Himene. Closes meeting at 4pm.

Ngati Kawa Taituha

Chairman

DATED: