

**Minutes of a meeting of Woodville Districts' Vision held in the Woodville Village Hall on Tuesday 1 September 2015 commencing at 7.25pm.**

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**PRESENT**

B Hutton, G Murray, S McLeod, P Johns, S Ashton, P McCool, M Souden, Cr T Collis, R Winter, Maggie Oulaghan, D Challis, J Coombe, B Goldsworthy, D Pretty, A Devonshire, K McIntyre, C Blackburn, S Barber

**APOLOGIES**

J McIntyre

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

*That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 August 2015 be accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting.*

*R Winter/ G Murray*

*Carried*

**MATTERS ARISING**

The Mayor visiting Woodville is from Valasske Klobouky, and not Bieleski as stated.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Inwards: Betty Goldsworthy re branding  
Woodville RSA Women's Section re branding  
TDC – Draft Long Term Plan reply to submission  
Horizons Regional Council Community Grant 2015 re water conservation

Outwards: Nil

**REPORTS**

- The Treasurer's report was tabled.  
*That the Treasurer's report be accepted and the accounts as listed be paid.*  
*P McCool / S McLeod* *Carried*
- Cr T Collis – TDC Report
  - Meeting with landowners who have an historical easement/and or high usage extra ordinary connections. This was the first meeting on moving from "on demand" to "restricted flow" for extraordinary connections. There are several Woodville residents and business properties involved. The Council gave direction at the last meeting for a bulk price to be obtained for water tanks to ensure the process is as cost effective as possible for those concerned.
  - The foliage will be planted in spring around the recycling bin.
  - Flushing of the Woodville water mains is complete.
  - The CCTV camera work identified several streets that are causing high infiltration flows. It is being looked at to bring these reticulation pipes forward into the relining programme. These streets are McLean, Fergusson, Gladstone and Grant Streets.
  - Peter Wimsett recently met with Te Kauru to explore how the Crown land at 264 Bluff Road managed by LINZ might be able to be returned to the public for recreational purposes, and proposing a planting/beautification project. This matter has been the subject of dispute between locals and a neighbouring farmer that controls and owns part of the current road access to the river.
  - Retail statistics in Tararua were very strong in July, and recorded above the growth rate for New Zealand.
  - I attended the Regional Growth Study release. This outlined the sectors and commercial opportunities with the potential to grow sustainably incomes, jobs and investment in the Manawatu Whanganui region.

- The eight opportunities identified are:
  - Tourism and visitor services
  - Sheep and beef farming and processing
  - Land use intensification
  - Manuka honey
  - Vegetables
  - Poultry
  - Affordable care and lifestyle for older people
  - Business process outsourcing and food innovation outsourcing
- Manawatu Gorge Restoration Project Group/Governance Group: As requested by the Governance Group the Council met with Meridian (a partner of the Manawatu Gorge Restoration Project) to progress discussions on the proposed walkway from Te Apiti Windfarm to Toi Toi Point. They met with the site manager at the Te Apiti Windfarm, and were given a tour of the farm and shown the possible access and exit points. The next stage is a meeting with the Meridian team in Wellington.
- TripAdvisor: A list of all tourism businesses that have not been listed on TripAdvisor are being contacted and encouraged to list their business on the website. Council are looking to provide help if necessary.
- Twenty-four residents attended the first Woodville Civil Defence meeting held. Paddy Driver addressed the meeting, and the response to be involved was fantastic. A follow up meeting has been arranged for 22 September in the Events Centre at 7.00pm.

**Action:** TripAdvisor – R Winter and M Oulaghan will coordinate listing Woodville attractions.

- Events and Promotion

- Christmas Parade: A budget will be submitted next month. Christmas lights and decorations will cost approximately \$5k. Last year they were only installed nine days before Christmas. The lights and flags are not in a good condition. To replace them would cost \$10k; it is neither economic nor viable to do this. Poles are not weight bearing units, and alternative options are being considered.

***That there be no more high cost Christmas decorations, i.e. lights/flags on poles, and that alternative options be explored and businesses encouraged to participate.***

***K McIntyre / P McCool***

***Carried***

An article is to go into the Woodville News explaining that due to the high cost there will be no lights installed this year. What alternatives would the community like to see?

There was discussion regarding road closures and alternative routes. It was suggested to not use the main road through the CBD, however it was agreed that WDV have an obligation to use that road. J Coombe and R Winter are to talk to the businesses about participation.

- Woodfest: A budget will be submitted next month. B Hutton queried the justification for the event, and P McCool raised concern over the cost. A meeting is to be held to discuss the future of this event. Should it be a major festival for Woodville, or an occasion just for the local community?

- Lindauer Studio

- Artist in residence (AiR) planning is ongoing
- New Zealand Pacific Studio Eketahuna letter of support for AiR
- Contact made with UCOL
- Possible visit to Woodville by Mayor of Valasske Klobouky (December 2015); the district's Mayor is aware of this occasion
- Good recent publicity on Lindauer
- An additional five paintings have been identified
- Lindauer Pilsen catalogue is coming for the studio/town library

- Also a Lindauer Berlin catalogue
- Website is being upgraded
- The studio needs display panels and window screening as the light is affecting the pictures, and are making an application to Creative Communities for funding
- Geo caching sites are being set up in Woodville (six sites), with permission gained
- The Lindauer cemetery tour held on Sunday 30 August had a good turn out

### **FUNDING APPLICATION**

An application for funding was received from the Dannevirke SPCA requesting \$1.5k. Thirty vouchers to de-sex cats have been sold. The Council is still to progress the environmental health issues.

***That \$500 be given to the Dannevirke SPCA, to be spent in Woodville.***

***R Winter / J Coombe***

***Carried***

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- A representative of WDV is requested to attend the end of season Woodville football function from 10.30am to 12 noon on Saturday 5 September. M Oulaghan is to attend.
- The Council advised that it is Bee Aware Month. Flowers are to be planted at the station garden.
- Road Safety: S McLeod reported that a good meeting was held. Woodville School has no further interest in the kea crossing as they are using the crossing at the Nibbly Pig. This may mean losing a car park. Ray Cannon is to be asked to attend the next meeting.
- Walkway Report tabled by B Hutton :  
Projected budget cost is \$130k. Request made to Meridian Community Te Apiti fund for \$49k. The Council's Chief Executive (Blair King), WDV, KiwiRail and local iwi supports this. The Chair congratulated those working on this project (B Hutton, G Murray and K McIntyre) on progress made to date, and thanked them for their hard work.
- Positively Woodville: There is an IT structure which can assist with community decision-making (Loomio); however there is a cost. Good methodology, but it is unsustainable. Need to encourage people to attend meetings, and thereby be involved in decisions.
- Branding: Acknowledged and accepted that 'Wood You' had not worked. An initial suggestion has been made (Gorgeous Woodville), some like this, some do not. Branding is to continue to be progressed.
- Camping Site Upgrade: This has been a long process. A Devonshire will continue to be involved.
- Horizons Water Conservation Grant: Can this be used as a Civil Defence 'ready supply' of drinking water?

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.00pm.