

Minutes of a meeting of Woodville Districts' Vision held in the Woodville Sports Stadium Supper Room on Tuesday 6 June 2017 commencing at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT

B Hutton, G Murray, K McIntyre, L Gundry, R Karena, B Barnes, C Wilton, R Fry, K McKay, C Hunt, M Peretine, S McLeod, R McMillan, Cr P Johns, D Pretty, C Archer, T Brackenbury, M Stuart, V James, P McCool (Treasurer), M M Oulaghan (Secretary), R Winter (Chair)

New members welcomed to Woodville Districts' Vision are Rowena Fry, Kellie McKay, Catherine Hunt, Mike Peretini, Turia Brackenbury, Malcolm Stuart and Rosie Karena

APOLOGIES

M Taylor

PREVIOUS MEETING

Corrections:

- C Archer was omitted as being present.
- Funding of \$20,000 for the toilet at Ferry Reserve is conditional upon receipt of funding from the recently announced government mid-sized tourism fund established to assist smaller councils with infrastructure relating to freedom campers. The money is being allocated to the Te Apiti Manawatu Group regional joint project which includes Palmerston North City Council, Department of Conservation, Horizons Regional Council, Tararua District Council, Woodville Domain Board and private land owners.

That subject to noting the above amendments the minutes of the Woodville Districts' Vision meeting held on 2 May 2017 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

R Winter/P Johns

Carried

MATTERS ARISING

- The seat outside DJ's Dairy has been removed. The owner has advised the Chair he recognises the value of having seating outside his shop. He will put his own seating outside and then bring it in each night for security reasons.
- The Chair has received training in the operation of the LED sign.
- The i-SITE and library will be opening on Monday 12 June in their new premises. There will be a community opening later in the month.

CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards

- Email received from Lew March, Horizons Regional Council regarding Ferry Reserve signage

Outwards

- Letter to Council requesting utilities be left on in the community building
- Letter to Lions Club regarding help of manual labour for soil replacement in the rose garden

That the correspondence be accepted.

M M Oulaghan/C Archer

Carried

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

The May financial report is tabled.

That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

P McCool/S McLeod

Carried

Tararua District Council Report

Cr P Johns

- Mark Maxwell has commenced at Council as the new Economic Development and Communications Manager (replacing Lianne Simpkin).
- Council has received a request to mow a strip of paper road at the end of Ross Street. This will be discussed with the Works Liaison Committee.
- A suggestion was put to Councillor Johns to purchase and plant in the memorial rose garden an 'Anna Leese' rose (given the rose is named after the opera singer from Woodville).
- Green waste and what to do with it. Grass clippings will cost \$17 per m³ for disposal. This is not appropriate for transfer stations as it is difficult to get rid of, and ideally should be composted. There is an opportunity here, and any ideas please advise Cr Johns.

Events and Promotions

A community project has occurred, but the results have not yet been finalised.

Walkway

B Hutton reported that a very successful meeting was held with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive, Manager Strategy and District Development, B Hutton, G Murray, K McIntyre and Cr P Johns to further discuss the walkway. There continues to be good support for this project. Council will meet the cost of the required surveying. Railway land will no longer be used, and instead are working with a local farmer to progress this project.

Lindauer Studio

- The artist in residence selection process for the new applicant has commenced. Portfolios have been received from Pilsen University. A small committee will shortlist the preferred candidate, with the final decision being made in conjunction with the university. A decision will be advised at the July meeting.
- Art Exhibition: Ten artists have been selected to exhibit in the Odlin Gallery (Lower Hutt). This is great for the future of both the exhibition and the artists. The Mayor is involved and supportive, and will open part of the exhibition.
- Access to the Lindauer Studio will be limited once the i-SITE moves to the new facility. An interim arrangement is required as it may take some time for Council to make a decision on the community building with regard to earthquake strengthening requirements. C Wilton advised that i-SITE staff are happy to contact someone on the Lindauer Committee to open the studio should anyone want to view it.

APPLICATIONS

Discussion ensued last month regarding the following applications, with a decision as to the funding split delayed until this month. Applications had been received from:

- Holy Trinity Church for repairs to roofing
- Events Centre
- Community Pantry

An application had also been received from Bush Bluelight for funding for their CACTUS programme. Bluelight objectives are to reduce youth crime, building community partnerships, build young people's self-esteem, enhance community safety and build positive young and police partnerships. Combined Adolescent Challenge Training Unit Support (CACTUS) is an integrated approach to work and train alongside youth to foster positive relations, aiming to maximise potential of youth and nurture tomorrow's leaders. CACTUS and Bluelight are focussed on widening the world view of young people, giving to youth so they have the capacity to give back to the community. There are seven teenagers involved in this programme from Woodville.

Community Pantry

Following last month's agreement that the Community Pantry receive \$1,000.00 via an account opened at Woodville Four Square the following motion confirms this intention.

That \$1,000.00 be put into an account at Woodville Four Square for use by the Community Pantry.

C Wilton/V James

Carried

Events Centre

P Johns reiterated what is being planned for the Events Centre and that it will be a great asset for Woodville. The overall cost will be approximately \$400,000 with some \$70,000 already in kitty. Confident all of the funding required will be obtained. Considerable dollars have already been spent on plans etc. and assistance for this cost is being sought, e.g. engineering reports and plans, so as not too much of the capital is used.

Holy Trinity Church

This application sought funding for repairs to the church roof. The church was built in 1967 and the roof now has leaks. R McMillan spoke to the application. However as they now have the funds to meet the costs of repairs to the roof the application is withdrawn to support Bush Bluelight at Tararua College.

Discussion ensued on the Events Centre and the CACTUS programme, with the following motions passed:

That a contribution of \$3,000 from the discretionary fund be made to the CACTUS programme.

R Winter/R McMillan

Carried

That a contribution of \$10,000 from the general fund be made for the Events Centre.

R Winter/G Murray

Carried

That should Holy Trinity Church require additional funding for its roof repairs then they be invited to advise Woodville Districts' Vision.

R Winter/C Archer

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Skate Park

The suggestion of a skate park in Woodville was again raised. Plans are to be obtained from Pahiatua so that a feasibility study could be undertaken. R Winter is to follow up this matter. It is reiterated that angles etc. need to be accurate for the skate park to be successful.

Library

A request is to be made to Council for consideration of the library opening one night during the week, in line with other libraries around the country. There is general support for a late night.

National Election

Woodville Districts' Vision usually arranges a meet the candidates' public forum. The big question this year is what are they going to do about the Manawatu Gorge?

Manawatu Gorge Closure

The Manawatu Gorge reopening is still some way off. It has now been closed for nearly two months following the large slip on 24 April. There have been other slips which have delayed the opening. A letter of support is to go to the businesses in Woodville.

B Hutton left the meeting at 8.00 pm.

It is suggested a winter festival be considered to give Woodville a lift while the Manawatu Gorge is closed.

Woodville Swimming Pool

L Gundry advised she is on the Woodville Swimming Pool Committee and looking for more committee members. There was discussion about the pool needing to be more attractive, both for locals and visitors.

As there is no further business the meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 4 July 2017