

TARARUA DISTRICT COUNCIL
Dannevirke Community Board

Minutes of a Meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Monday 6 August, 2007 commencing at 6.30pm.

1. Present

Messrs C P Thew (Chairperson), N H Ensor (Deputy Chairperson), R P Teahan, Mrs C J Isaacson and Mrs J G Swenson.

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil.

3. Public Forum

3.1 Nil

4. Proposed Motorsport Event For Dannevirke

4.1 The Chairperson welcomed Andy Pine (Cloud Nine Skydiving/Go Fast) to the meeting, and invited him to address the Board.

4.2 Andy Pine gave a visual presentation to outline the "Supermoto" event which he is proposing to hold in Dannevirke on Easter Saturday 2008. It is intended that this will be promoted as a major attraction which is free to attend, with the event anticipated to bring 5,000 to 8,000 visitors to Dannevirke. If the event proceeds, it is proposed that this will be programmed to occur in Dannevirke for at least three years.

4.3 The opportunity was then provided for the Board to direct comments and questions to Andy Pine.

4.4 The Chairperson thanked Andy Pine for his presentation to the Board, and wished him every success in organising this exciting event for Dannevirke and the Tararua District.

5. Personal Matters

5.1 The Board's congratulations are to be conveyed to Dave and Maureen Turner on being awarded a Tararua District Civic Honour to acknowledge their voluntary community service.

5.2 The Chairperson commended the Council on the way in which it welcomes new residents to the Tararua District, and noted that in the Council area which he has moved to this does not occur.

6. Notification of Items Not On The Agenda

6.1 The following matter was notified as an item of general business not on the agenda for discussion at today's meeting.

- Allardice Street railway crossing

7. Confirmation of Minutes

- 7.1 ***That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 2 July, 2007 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting subject to item 11.3.2 being amended to read as follows:-***

“with those in attendance indicating their support for PHO’s to continue to deliver health services in conjunction with other providers”.

Thew/Ensor

Carried

8. Matters Arising From The Minutes

- 8.1 ***Wackrow Memorial Youth Award (Item 11.1)***

8.1.1 Four nominations were received for this year’s Award, and the presentation function will be held on Wednesday 22 August, 2007 at 7.00pm in The Hub, Allardice Street, Dannevirke.

8.1.2 The Chairperson is to arrange a guest speaker for this event.

8.1.3 It was suggested that in light of the disappointing response to this year’s Award the event be reviewed and possibly held biennially.

- 8.2 ***stepUp Foundation (Item 6)***

8.2.1 It was noted that the Dannevirke High School had reviewed its students attendance at the stepUp Foundation event held in Palmerston North for logistical reasons.

- 8.3 ***Clean Up New Zealand Week (Item 11.5.4)***

8.3.1 Board Member Teahan will present to the Board’s next meeting a written proposal from a local scrap dealer to remove unsightly vehicles from properties at no cost.

9. Tararua District Council Report

- 9.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 July, 2007 (as circulated) be received.***

Teahan/Swenson

Carried

10. Reports

- 10.1 ***New Zealand Community Boards Conference 2007***

10.1.1 ***That the report from Board Member Isaacson concerning the New Zealand Community Boards Conference held in Manukau City from 7 to 9 June, 2007 regarding the theme of “Leading to Safer Communities” (as circulated) be received.***

Isaacson/Thew

Carried

- 10.2 ***Dannevirke Under-veranda Lighting***

10.2.1 ***That the report from the District Roding Manager dated 13 July, 2007 concerning under-veranda lighting in Dannevirke (as circulated) be received.***

Swenson/Teahan

Carried

10.2.2 It was noted that many of the under-veranda lights are faulty and potentially dangerous due to poorly maintained shop verandas causing water to leak into the electrical fittings.

10.2.3 This situation is unsatisfactory, particularly in respect of the High Street refurbishment work which is shortly to commence.

10.2.4 It was agreed that the Board take the following actions in relation to this matter.

- Board Member Teahan will contact Scanpower to identify which under-veranda lights are faulty or potentially dangerous.
- This will assist in determining where lights are out and the problem is being caused by buildings with leaky verandas.
- The Chairperson will then personally approach the tenants of all such buildings to advise them that repairs are required to their veranda, and emphasising the importance of undertaking this work in conjunction with the High Street refurbishment project.
- In cases where the tenant is not responsible for the maintenance of the building, a letter will be sent by the Board to the property owner requesting their cooperation to upgrade their veranda. Should this not be done then they may risk their under-veranda lighting being disconnected to remove the hazard created by the water leaking into the electrical fittings.

11. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Local Community Groups and Assigned Responsibilities

11.1 *Dannevirke A & P Association*

11.1.1 The Annual General Meeting of the Dannevirke A & P Association did not proceed due to a lack of a quorum.

11.1.2 This meeting has been rescheduled to be held on 16 August, 2007.

11.1.3 Publicity has been given to this situation, and hopefully this will ensure that the A & P Association will receive greater community support otherwise its future may be in jeopardy.

11.2 *Dannevirke Information Centre Management Committee*

11.2.1 The Dannevirke Information Centre is operating very satisfactorily, and the Management Committee is working well.

12. Correspondence

12.1 ***That the correspondence as listed be received:-***

(a) *Morepork Mountain Trust*
Re: Letter of appreciation

(b) *Dannevirke SPCA*
Re: Request for financial assistance

29 June, 2007

- (c) **Senior Sergeant G J Hudson-Dannevirke Police**
Re: Vandalism in the northern end of Dannevirke and enforcement of the liquor ban

Swenson/Ensor

Carried

12.2 Dannevirke SPCA

- 12.2.1 That the request from the Dannevirke SPCA for financial assistance to purchase four traps and a catching net to trap unwanted cats and kittens in the Tararua area be approved, and**

That the sum of up to \$308.70, as quoted to purchase these items, be granted from the Board's discretionary funds for this purpose.

Teahan/Isaacson

Carried

13. Chairman's Remarks

- 13.1 Nil**

14. Items Not On The Agenda

14.1 Allardice Street Railway Crossing

- 14.1.1 It was noted that the condition of the Allardice Street railway crossing is deteriorating, and needs to be repaired.**
- 14.1.2 This matter will be referred to the District Roothing Manager with a request that he ask the appropriate person to undertake this work.**

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Chairperson