

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 4 August, 2008 commencing at 6.30pm.

1. Present

Board Members R P Teahan (Chairperson), C J Isaacson (Deputy Chairperson), R A Dresser, N H Ensor and Cr C W Southgate (Council appointed community board member).

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

- 1.1 The Chairman welcomed Steve Munday (a prospective candidate for the vacancy on the Dannevirke Community Board) to the meeting.

2. Apologies

- 2.1 Nil.

3. Public Forum

- 3.1 Nil.

4. Personal Matters

- 4.1 Nil.

5. Notification of Items Not On The Agenda

- 5.1 Nil.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

- 6.1 *That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 7 July, 2008 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.*

Dresser/Ensor

Carried

7. Matters Arising From The Minutes

- 7.1 *Welcome to Dannevirke Signs (Item 7.1)*

- 7.1.1 The proposal from the Dannevirke Mainstreet Committee to upgrade the appearance of these signs is still being awaited.

- 7.2 *Wackrow Memorial Youth Award (Item 7.3)*

- 7.2.1 The Chairperson has contacted the Dannevirke High School to encourage them to submit nominations for this year's Wackrow Memorial Youth Award.

- 7.2.2 Erana Peeti-Webber has accepted the invitation to assist with the judging of the Award.
- 7.2.3 The Chairperson requested board members to advise him of their suggestions to arrange a guest speaker for the Award presentation function.

7.2.4 Board Member Isaacson will follow up the letter sent to community groups and businesses inviting them to submit nominations.

7.3 ***Dannevirke Town Centre Refurbishment Sponsorship Programme (Item 7.2)***

7.3.1 It was requested that an account be sent to the Dannevirke Rotary Club for their contribution of sponsorship to the Dannevirke Town Centre refurbishment project.

7.3.2 The Dannevirke A & P Association have agreed to support the sponsorship programme through contributing funding for a tree.

7.4 ***Marketing and Promotion of Dannevirke (Item 7.7)***

7.4.1 Further information on this matter is not yet available, but it is intended that a presentation will be made to the Board in the future to outline this proposal.

7.5 ***Inspection Tour of the Community Board's Area Services and Facilities (Item 14.3)***

7.5.1 The completion of the inspection tour has been deferred due to the wet underfoot conditions caused by the recent heavy rainfall.

8. Tararua District Council Report

8.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 23 July, 2008 (as circulated) be received.***

Dresser/Isaacson

Carried

9. Reports

9.1 ***Tribunal and Hearings Committee***

9.1.1 ***That the report of the Tribunal and Hearings Committee meeting held on 23 July, 2008 regarding the resource consent application of T W McGregor to provide escort services from premises located at 133-137 High Street, Dannevirke (as circulated) be received.***

Ensor/Dresser

Carried

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

10.1 ***Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce***

10.1.1 Board Member Dresser reported that the Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce has been re-established by an enthusiastic group of people, with an interim executive being appointed.

10.1.2 The Annual General Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce is to be held on Monday 11 August, 2008 and the business will include the confirmation of these appointments.

10.2 **Dannevirke Information Centre Management Committee**

10.2.1 Board Member Ensor reported that the Dannevirke Information Centre is operating satisfactorily, but the visitor numbers are continuing to decline.

10.2.2 The Management Committee is in a good financial position, and they are still holding funds for Ticket Direct that have not been uplifted.

10.3 **Dannevirke A & P Association**

10.3.1 Board Member Isaacson reported that the Annual General Meeting of the Dannevirke A & P Association has been held, with the same executive continuing in office.

11. **Correspondence**

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

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| (a) <i>Tararua Learning Inc</i> | <i>7 July, 2008</i> |
| <i>Re: Letter of appreciation</i> | |
| (b) <i>Central and Southern Hawke's Bay Showjumping Group</i> | |
| <i>10 July, 2008</i> | |
| <i>Re: Letter of appreciation</i> | |
| (c) <i>Dannevirke Smallbore Rifle Club</i> | <i>16 July, 2008</i> |
| <i>Re: Letter of appreciation</i> | |
| (d) <i>Te Kura Kaupapa Maori O Tamaki Nui A Rua</i> | <i>24 July, 2008</i> |
| <i>Re: Letter of appreciation</i> | |
| (e) <i>Tararua Community Youth Service</i> | <i>21 July, 2008</i> |
| <i>Re: Request for financial assistance</i> | |
| (f) <i>First Years Preschool Incorporated</i> | <i>24 July, 2008</i> |
| <i>Re: Request for financial assistance</i> | |

Dresser/ Isaacson

Carried

11.2 ***Tararua Community Youth Service***

11.2.1 ***That the Tararua Community Youth Service be granted the sum of up to \$1,000.00 from the Board's discretionary funds as assistance towards the cost of transporting teenagers from Dannevirke to attend the Step Up Foundation event in Palmerston North on 11 and 12 September, 2008.***

Dresser/Isaacson

Carried

11.3 ***First Years Preschool Incorporated***

11.3.1 ***That the First Years Preschool Incorporated be granted the sum of up to \$450.00 from the Board's discretionary funds as assistance towards the cost of hiring the Dannevirke Town Hall for their "A Night of Fashion" fundraising event to be held on 11 October, 2008.***

Teahan/Isaacson

Carried

12. **Appointment of Representatives to Replace Mr N H Ensor**

12.1 The following appointments were made to undertake the responsibilities previously assigned to Mr N H Ensor.

- Dannevirke Information Centre Management Committee – Mr R P Teahan
- Media Reporter – Mrs C J Isaacson
- Zone 3 representative on the New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee – Mr R A Dresser subject to the acceptance of his nomination.

13. **Chairman's Remarks**

13.1 ***Dannevirke Community Board Vacancy***

13.1.1 The Chairperson encouraged board members to promote interest in the community to stand as a candidate for the election to fill the vacancy on the Board.

14. **Dannevirke Town Clock**

14.1 ***That the Board's thanks be conveyed to Gwen Fairbrother for kindly donating the Town Clock to the Dannevirke Community.***

Teahan/Ensor

Carried

14.2 ***That the Board recommends to the Council that the generosity and community spirit of Gwen Fairbrother be publicly acknowledged through the area of the Town Clock's location being appropriately named as a tribute to her, and***

That the Dannevirke Community Board be invited to consult with Gwen Fairbrother to propose the name which she would like as the identity of this area.

Teahan/Dresser

Carried

15. **Financial Assistance For Viking Icon Project**

15.1 The Chairperson requested board members to consider whether financial assistance is to be granted to support this project.

16. **Emergency Vehicles Speeding in the Dannevirke Town Centre**

16.1 It was noted that there have been occasions when ambulances were travelling too fast in areas of High Street where work is being undertaken. This has created safety risks for the contractors and members of the community.

16.2 A letter is to be sent to the St John Area Committee seeking its co-operation in requesting their emergency vehicles to use alternative routes whilst the refurbishment project is in progress.

17. **Dannevirke Town Centre Refurbishment**

17.1 Board Member Dresser gave a verbal report to provide an update on progress being made with the Town Centre refurbishment project.

18. Vote of Thanks to Mr N H Ensor

- 18.1 The Chairperson conveyed his thanks to Nigel Ensor for his service and contribution to the Board, and wished him well for the future.
- 18.2 A certificate was presented to Mr Ensor to recognise his service to local government as a member of the Dannevirke Community Board from 2001 to 2008.
- 18.3 Mr Ensor expressed his appreciation to the community for providing him with the opportunity to serve as a member of the Board, and noted the successful achievement of the following goals:-
- Dannevirke Town Centre refurbishment project.
 - Establishment of the Dannevirke Information Centre and strengthening of the Board's working relationship with its Management Committee.
 - Increasing the Board's profile and its contribution to the community.
- 18.4 Mr Ensor acknowledged the Council's good working relationship with the Board and thanked board members for their support, and conveyed his best wishes for the future.

19. Items Not On The Agenda

- 19.1 Nil.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Chairperson