

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 3 August 2009 commencing at 3.00pm.

1. Present

Board Members R P Teahan (Chairperson), C J Isaacson (Deputy Chairperson), R A Dresser and W R Macdonald.

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

- 2.1 ***That an apology be sustained from Cr C W Southgate (Council appointed community board member) for non-attendance at the meeting.***

Teahan/Dresser

Carried

3. Public Forum

3.1 Lights For Tree In Copenhagen Square

3.1.1 Maria Edwards spoke on her proposal to place lighting in the tree at Copenhagen Square. This tree is a prominent landmark of the town, and through decorating the tree with lights it will make this area an attractive focal point to celebrate such occasions as the Matariki.

3.1.2 Maria Edwards requested the Board to consider funding the cost of the electrical work required for the lighting, and tabled a quote from Scanpower of \$811.00 GST inclusive.

3.1.3 At this time Maria Edwards is not in a position to fund this cost, but is willing to pay for the power through the lights being connected to her business in Copenhagen Square.

3.1.4 Board members congratulated Maria Edwards on her initiative, and agreed to discuss this matter later on during the meeting.

3.2 125 Years of the Railway to Dannevirke

3.2.1 Gerald Shone spoke on the 125 years anniversary of the railway to Dannevirke, and tabled information concerning the establishment of the line on 1 December 1884.

3.2.2 Gerald Shone requested the Board to consider the celebration of this occasion to recognise its historic significance to the Dannevirke Community.

3.2.3 It was noted that there is work being undertaken by a community group to paint the station building, and this will need to be completed prior to arranging any such event.

3.2.4 A steam train will be coming to Dannevirke in February of next year as part of the A and P Association's centennial celebrations, and it may be possible to combine this event with a function that acknowledges the 125 years history of Dannevirke's railway.

3.2.5 The Chairperson thanked Gerald Shone for bringing this matter to the Board's attention, and it was agreed that his request be discussed later on during the meeting.

3.3 Dannevirke St John Cadets

3.3.1 Glennis McDonald spoke on the work being undertaken by the Dannevirke St John Cadets, and introduced Ryan and Darcey Walker (two of the young cadets) to the Board.

3.3.2 Ryan and Darcey Walker both thanked the Board for its grant of \$100.00 which was made available to the Dannevirke St John Cadets to purchase sports equipment.

3.3.3 Board members conveyed their appreciation to the cadets for taking the time to personally acknowledge the financial assistance which they had received from the Board.

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 6 July 2009 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Isaacson/Dresser

Carried

7. Matters Arising From The Minutes

7.1 ***Cycleway Event Within the District (Item 7.1)***

7.1.1 The Chairperson is to attend a meeting in Wellington next fortnight regarding the Government's national cycleway project.

7.2 ***Welcome to Dannevirke Signs (Item 7.3)***

7.2.1 Interested parties have been invited to attend a meeting in the Council Chamber on Monday 17 August 2009 at 5.30pm to discuss proposals for the design of the signs.

7.3 ***Youth Community Variety Concert (Item 7.6)***

7.3.1 Board Member Macdonald updated the Board on the arrangements for the youth community variety concert to be held on Saturday 10 October 2009 at 7.00pm in the Dannevirke Town Hall.

7.3.2 The proceeds received from this event will be donated to the search and rescue emergency helicopter service, and an invitation is to be sent to them to attend the concert.

7.4 Recycling Bins at the Allardice Street Car Park (Item 8.4)

7.4.1 It was noted that a security camera had been considered for locating in the vicinity of the recycling bins at the Allardice Street car park, but this did not proceed as there was a large cost involved.

7.4.2 The Waste Manager is aware of the increased dumping of rubbish in the vicinity of these bins, and is looking at options to overcome this problem.

7.5 Crime Prevention in Dannevirke (Item 8.3)

7.5.1 It was agreed that this matter be discussed at the end of the meeting.

7.6 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award (Item 11.1)

7.6.1 Nominations for the 2009 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award close on Monday 10 August 2009.

7.7 Dannevirke Town Clock (Item 15)

7.7.1 Invitations will be sent out next month to attend the official community event on Saturday 3 October 2009 at 12noon to dedicate and bless the new Town Clock.

7.7.2 A light lunch and function will then follow at The Hub, and this will provide the opportunity to acknowledge the sponsorship contributed to the Dannevirke Town Centre refurbishment project.

8. Tararua District Council Report

8.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meetings held on 8 and 22 July 2009 (as circulated) be received.***

Macdonald/Isaacson

Carried

8.2 Contemporary Sculpture – Dannevirke Town Centre Refurbishment

8.2.1 ***That the sum of up to \$1,500.00 be provided from the Board's discretionary funds to install the sculpture representing Papatuanuku (the Earth Mother) by the Village Green in Ward Street, and to apply anti-graffiti paint to protect the appearance of the sculpture.***

Dresser/Macdonald

Carried

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

9.1 Nil

10. Correspondence

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

***(a) First Years Preschool Inc
Re: Request for financial assistance***

3 July 2009

(b) Dannevirke Host Lions Club Inc **8 July 2009**

Re: Request for financial assistance

(c) Dannevirke South School **23 July 2009**

Re: Request for financial assistance

(d) Weber Community Committee **20 July 2009**

Re: Letter of appreciation

Macdonald/Isaacson

Carried

10.2 Discretionary Grants For Community Groups to Assist With Council Venue Hire Charges

10.2.1 It was agreed that the Board would continue to consider on their merit each application received from a community group requesting financial assistance for Council venue hire charges.

10.3 First Years Preschool Inc

10.3.1 **That the Board grant the First Years Preschool Inc the sum of up to \$400.00 from its discretionary funds as assistance towards the cost of hiring the Dannevirke Town Hall for their "A Night of Fashion" fundraising community event to be held on 26 September 2009.**

Teahan/Isaacson

Carried

10.4 Dannevirke Host Lions Club Inc

10.4.1 Board Member Dresser declared an interest in this item of business, and abstained from the discussions and voting on the motion regarding this matter.

10.4.2 **That the Board grant the Dannevirke Host Lions Club Inc the sum of up to \$300.00 from its discretionary funds as assistance towards the cost of hiring the Dannevirke Town Hall for their annual book sale fundraising community event to be held at the end of this month.**

Teahan/Macdonald

Carried

10.5 Dannevirke South School

10.5.1 **That the Board grant the Dannevirke South School the sum of up to \$400.00 from its discretionary funds as assistance towards the cost of hiring the Dannevirke Town Hall for their "Holidayz" community musical production to be held from 5 to 10 September 2009.**

Dresser/Macdonald

Carried

11. Chairman's Remarks

11.1 Tararua Kiwi Walks

11.1.1 It was noted that the Council in conjunction with Sport Manawatu had published a brochure on Tararua Kiwi Walks available in the district.

11.1.2 The Community Assets Manager is to be requested to advise whether the walks are still being maintained for community use, and to promote these areas through signposts.

12. Items Not On The Agenda

12.1 Nil

13. Lights For Tree In Copenhagen Square

13.1 It was noted that the tree in Copenhagen Square is located on private property owned by Rangitane O Tamaki Nui A Rua Inc.

13.2 An arrangement would need to be determined with them for consent to place lighting in the tree, and the basis of any agreement to enable this to occur.

13.3 Board Member Macdonald agreed to approach representatives of Rangitane to discuss the feasibility of progressing this proposal, and will report the outcome at next month's meeting.

14. 125 Years of the Railway to Dannevirke

14.1 There was general support expressed that the occasion of 125 years of railway to Dannevirke should be recognised in some way.

14.2 It was agreed that the following organisations be contacted to discuss this matter:-

- Dannevirke A & P Association – Board Member Isaacson will ascertain the possibility of combining with them to arrange an event that builds on the steam train's visit to Dannevirke for the A and P Association's centennial celebrations.
- Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce – Board Member Dresser will request the Chamber of Commerce to consider if they are interested in organising an event to coincide with this occasion.
- Ormondville Railway Station Preservation Group – The Chairperson will seek their views on being involved in an event to celebrate the 125 years anniversary of rail within this area.
- Dannevirke Host Lions Club – Board Member Dresser will contact them to consider their involvement in assisting to arrange an appropriate event.
- Rotary Club of Dannevirke – The Chairperson will contact them to consider their involvement in assisting to arrange an appropriate event.

15. Crime Prevention in Dannevirke

15.1 Board Member Dresser advised that a minimum of three cameras is required to establish a security camera monitoring system for the retail area of Dannevirke.

15.2 The estimated cost of this equipment is \$30,000 to \$40,000. A detailed quote is to be sought based on a specific plan concerning the proposed arrangements for the system.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 4.35pm.

Chairperson