

TARARUA DISTRICT COUNCIL

Dannevirke Community Board

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board held in the Council Chambers, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Monday 7 February, 2005 commencing at 6.30pm.

1. Present

Messrs C P Thew (Chairperson), N H Ensor (Deputy Chairperson), T E Cradock, Mrs M A Leen and Mrs J G Swenson.

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil.

3. Public Forum

3.1 Vikki Johanson spoke on the planning management module which she is undertaking at Massey University for a graduate diploma in public sector management.

As part of this work she is required to develop a Strategic Plan with a ten year perspective, and would like the Board to consider if it is interested in being the subject of this Plan.

The Plan would assist the Board to achieve its purpose or mission, and sets out a direction to enable this to occur. Part of this process may be for the Board to identify some goals.

There is no cost to the Board for this Plan, and no obligation to adopt it. However it may provide a framework for the Board's work.

It would require board members to give two hours of their time to cover some points and queries. The Plan will then be presented to the Board after it has been assessed by a professional consultant.

3.2 The Board agreed to proceed with Mrs Johanson's request, and will meet informally next Wednesday at 7.30pm to discuss this matter.

4. Personal Matters

4.1 Board Member Ensor advised that he would be absent from the next meeting, and requested that his apology be noted.

5. Notification Of Any Extraordinary Business Not On The Agenda

5.1 The following matter was notified as an item of additional general business for discussion at today's meeting:-

- Vehicle entrance to Elsinore Court

6. Confirmation Of Minutes

- 6.1 ***That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 6 December, 2004 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Ensor/Cradock

Carried

7. Matters Arising From The Minutes

7.1 Dannevirke Domain Playground Development (Item 7.2.2)

- 7.1.1 The Chairperson is to ascertain if the previous Board had any plan for the next stage of the Dannevirke Domain Playground development.

7.2 New Zealand National Horse and Pony Show (Item 10.1c)

- 7.2.1 The Board was represented at the National Horse and Pony Show event held in January.

7.3 Dannevirke Town Hall Marketing and Promotions Committee

- 7.3.1 The next meeting of the Dannevirke Town Hall Marketing and Promotions Committee is to be held on Tuesday 22 February, 2005 at 5.30pm.

7.4 Cleaning of Footpaths In High Street (Item 10.4.1)

- 7.4.1 The trial cleaning of the footpaths in High Street was not successful, and therefore has ceased.

7.5 Provision of Dog Excrement Receptacle Bins (Item 12.4)

- 7.5.1 The Board's Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson are to arrange a meeting with the Manager of Environmental Services to discuss this matter.

7.6 Tararua Tomorrow: Choose Your Future (Item 3)

- 7.6.1 ***That the Board make the following submission to the Council concerning the "Tararua Tomorrow" consultation process:-***

- ***It is essential that the viability of Dannevirke and the district is maintained, including retaining through-town status of Dannevirke on the main highway.***
- ***There must be promotion of the area as a viable lifestyle choice, to encourage new residents to settle.***
- ***Council must continue to be proactive in policies to encourage economic development and business growth, including the creation of industrial zones.***
- ***Development of tertiary and vocational training in the area, to provide for all ages, while helping to retain youth in the district.***
- ***Public transport needs of Dannevirke and the district are addressed.***
- ***Effective policing within the district.***

- **Council/private enterprise are proactive in the environmental wellbeing of the district, including the provision of recycling facilities.**
- **Promotion of the arts and culture in the district.**
- **Emphasis on putting in place effective strategies to ensure that the issues identified in this consultation process are achievable, with a commitment to seeing the issues materialised (ie not just “talk”).**

Swenson/Ensor

Carried

7.7 National Community Boards Conference (Item 7.2)

- 7.7.1 **That the registration of Mr T E Cradock as the Board’s representative at the 2005 New Zealand Community Boards Conference be confirmed.**

Ensor/Swenson

Carried

7.8 Dannevirke Information Centre (Item 7.3)

- 7.8.1 **That the Board supports the Dannevirke Information Centre Management Committee in seeking the Council’s agreement to increase its annual grant as from the 2005/2006 financial year, and**

That the Board supports this request for further funding as this is required to ensure a professional service can be provided and maintained by the management of the Information Centre and their staff.

Ensor/Leen

Carried

- 7.8.2 Board Member Swenson requested that it be noted she had abstained from voting on the motion.

7.9 Draft Management Plan for Akitio Beach Reserves South of the Boating Club (Item 10.2)

- 7.9.1 The item of business concerning the Board making a submission on the above matter will be referred to its next meeting for consideration.

8. Tararua District Council Report

- 8.1 **That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 December, 2004 (as circulated) be received.**

Ensor/Cradock

Carried

9. Reports

9.1 Adopt A Highway Project

- 9.1.1 **That the report from the Chairperson dated 27 January, 2005 concerning the Adopt a Highway Project (as circulated) be received.**

Swenson/Ensor

Carried

- 9.1.2 The Chairperson emphasised the urgent need to generate new volunteers from the public to assist with this project.

Without a healthy number of volunteers the project is in jeopardy as the work falls on fewer people to undertake.

At the present time there is an urgent need to clear weeds and grass to give the plants a chance to survive.

Herbicide spraying is also required, and a contractor is possibly to be engaged to do this.

9.2 Dannevirke Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme

- 9.2.1 ***That the report from the Governance Manager dated 12 January, 2005 concerning the Dannevirke Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme (as circulated) be received.***

Cradock/Enzor

Carried

- 9.2.2 ***That applications now be called for funding from the Dannevirke Community Board's 2004/2005 General Assistance Grants Scheme, and***

That the closing date for applications be Friday 18 March, 2005 at 5.00pm.

Cradock/Enzor

Carried

10. Reports From Board Representatives Appointed To Local Community Groups and Assigned Responsibilities

- 10.1 Nil.

11. Correspondence

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

(a) ***Local Government New Zealand*** ***24 December, 2004***
Re: Zone 3 Appointments to New Zealand Community Board's Executive Committee

(b) ***New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee 28 January, 2005***
Re: 2005 New Zealand Community Boards Conference

(c) ***Richard Taylor, Governance Manager, Tararua District Council***
28 January, 2005
Re: Annual Christmas Parades

(d) ***Tararua Learning Centre*** ***February, 2005***
Re: Advice of the possible end of their service and notice of annual general meeting.

Swenson/Cradock

Carried

11.2 Tararua Learning Centre

- 11.2.1 The Chairperson will endeavour to represent the Board at the annual general meeting of the Tararua Learning Centre.

11.3 Annual Christmas Parades

- 11.3.1 ***That the Board pay from its discretionary funds the account for \$956.25 representing the cost of traffic management at the Dannevirke Christmas Parade, and***

That the Board express its disappointment at the lack of prior notification regarding the funding of the charge which has been incurred.

Swenson/Cradock

Carried

12. Chairman's Remarks

12.1 Vandalism

- 12.1.1 It is very disappointing to note the continued vandalism which is occurring in the town, and the significant amount of litter and broken grass on the footpaths.

12.2 Roading

- 12.2.1 Tararua Roothing, the Council and anyone else involved in the restoration and repair of roads following the storms is congratulated on the good work done.

12.3 Reporting

- 12.3.1 The report for publishing in the local paper concerning Board matters is to be reinstated.

12.4 Volunteers

- 12.4.1 There is an urgent need for volunteers in the community, as without such assistance and support some services and organisations will no longer continue.

12.5 ACC Review of Air Ambulance Services

- 12.5.1 The Chairperson outlined the response proposed by the Board prior to the Government announcement confirming that the service is to continue.

12.6 Herbertville Public Toilets

- 12.6.1 It is hoped that the Herbertville Public Toilets will be constructed this financial year. At the present time a builder is available to undertake this work, and a plan for the septic tank design is being prepared.

12.7 Miller Street/Denmark Street Intersection

- 12.7.1 The yellow paint on the road surface for the stop area has faded, and needs to be renewed.

13. Extraordinary Business Not On The Agenda

13.1 Vehicle Entrance to Elsinore Court

- 13.1.1 At present there is no vehicle entrance to Elsinore Court pensioner flats, and the footpath is being used as an accessway from the road.

13.1.2 It is requested that this situation be rectified by providing a vehicle entrance to the flats from Alexandra Street.

13.1.3 This matter will be referred to the Community Assets Manager for follow up.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Chairperson