

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 7 July, 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

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil.

3. Public Forum

3.1 Nil.

4. Personal Matters

4.1 *That the Dannevirke Community Board receives with regret the resignation of Mr N H Ensor from his position as a board member effective as of the conclusion of the August Board meeting.*

Teahan/Isaacson

Carried

4.2 The matter of appointing replacement representatives to undertake the responsibilities assigned to Board Member Ensor will be included on the agenda for next month's meeting.

5. Notification of Items Not On The Agenda

5.1 The following matters were notified as items of general business not on the agenda for discussion at today's meeting.

- Dannevirke Town Centre refurbishment – Town Clock
- Former Public Trust building
- Inspection tour of the Community Board's area services and facilities

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 *That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 3 June, 2008 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.*

Dresser/Isaacson

Carried

7. Matters Arising From The Minutes

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

7.1.1 The Dannevirke Mainstreet Committee has not as yet responded to the Board's invitation to submit a proposal to upgrade the appearance of these signs.

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

7.2.1 It is understood that the Dannevirke Host Lions Club has agreed to contribute sponsorship to the Dannevirke Town Centre refurbishment project.

7.3 **Wackrow Memorial Youth Award** (Item 7.6)

7.3.1 The dates for the 2008 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award are as follows:-

Nominations open - Thursday 17 July, 2008

Nominations close - Thursday 14 August, 2008

Judging - Thursday 21 August, 2008 at 10.00am

Award function, The Hub - Thursday 28 August, 2008 at 7.00pm

7.3.2 **That Erana Peeti-Webber be invited to assist with the judging of the 2008 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award.**

Dresser/Isaacson

Carried

7.3.3 Board Member Isaacson agreed to follow up the letters to community groups, businesses and schools inviting them to submit nominations.

7.3.4 The Chairperson will arrange a guest speaker for the Award presentation function.

7.4 **Community Variety Concert** (Item 7.4)

7.4.1 A cheque for \$2,380 has been sent to the Philips Search and Rescue Trust (operators of the Square Trust Rescue Helicopter based in Palmerston North) representing the proceeds from the community variety concert.

7.5 **Proposed District Plan** (Item 9.1)

7.5.1 Submissions to the Proposed District Plan have now closed, and these submissions will be open for further submissions until the end of August.

7.5.2 The hearing of all submissions is programmed for late October.

7.6 **Allardice Street Car Park – Farmers' Market** (Item 9.2)

7.6.1 At a meeting of the Dannevirke Business Development Group held recently the Board's Chairperson asked the representatives in attendance for their views on this proposal.

7.6.2 The Group responded unanimously in support of the farmers' market proceeding at the Allardice Street car park.

7.6.3 Their view was that the farmers' market would bring people into the town, and they may then be encouraged to walk up to the shopping area and visit other retailers.

7.6.4 The Council has consequently approved the request to use the Allardice Street car park for a farmers' market, subject to the specific area being agreed to by the Chief Executive and the determination of satisfactory licensing and management arrangements.

7.7 ***Marketing and Promotion of Dannevirke (Item 13)***

7.7.1 It is anticipated that further information on this matter will be presented to the Board's next meeting.

8. Tararua District Council Report

8.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meetings held on 11 and 25 June, 2008 (as circulated) be received.***

Southgate/Ensor

Carried

9. Review of Bylaws

9.1 The Governance Manager briefed the Board on the Council's consultation proposal relating to the review of its bylaws.

10. Reports

10.1 ***Pedestrian Crossing Denmark Street***

10.1.1 ***That the report from the District Roading Manager dated 25 June, 2008 concerning the request for a pedestrian crossing in Denmark Street (as circulated) be received.***

Teahan/Ensor

Carried

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

11.1 ***Dannevirke Information Centre Management Committee***

11.1.1 Board Member Ensor reported that the Dannevirke Information Centre is operating satisfactorily.

11.2 ***Carnegie Community Centre***

11.2.1 Board Member Dresser represented the Board at the Annual General Meeting of the Carnegie Community Centre.

11.3 ***Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce***

11.3.1 The Chairperson and Board Member Dresser attended a meeting of representatives from various businesses and the Mainstreet Committee to discuss the re-establishment of the Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce which is presently in abeyance.

11.4 **Bee Gees Function**

11.4.1 The Bee Gees function held at the Town Hall to boost the morale of the Dannevirke Business Community was a very successful event.

12. **Correspondence**

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

- a) ***Dannevirke and District Returned Services Assn*** **9 June 2008**
Re: Letter of appreciation
- (b) ***Dannevirke Highland Pipe Band*** **11 June, 2008**
Re: Letter of appreciation
- (c) ***New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee*** **June 2008**
Re: 2009 Community Boards Conference and Best Practice Awards
- (d) ***Te Wananga O Tamaki Nui A Rua*** **22 June, 2008**
Re: Maori language week celebration and the opening of Te Wananga O Tamaki Nui A Rua
- (e) ***Tararua District Council*** **23 June, 2008**
Re: Response to the Board's submission on the draft Annual Plan 2008/2009
- (f) ***Dannevirke IDEA Services*** **25 June, 2008**
Re: Letter of appreciation and newsletter
- (g) ***Philips Search and Rescue Trust*** **2 July, 2008**
Re: Letter of appreciation acknowledging the donation of the community variety concert proceeds
- (h) ***Nigel Ensor*** **7 July, 2008**
Re: Letter of resignation

Isaacson/Dresser

Carried

12.2 ***New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee***

12.2.1 ***That the Dannevirke Community Board submit an entry to the 2009 Community Boards Best Practice Awards for its facilitation role in co-ordinating the Dannevirke Town Centre refurbishment sponsorship programme.***

Teahan/Isaacson

Carried

12.2.2 The Chairperson agreed to prepare the Board's entry for presentation to the 2009 Community Boards Conference in Christchurch.

13. **Chairman's Remarks**

13.1 Nil.

14. Items Not On The Agenda

14.1 *Dannevirke Town Centre Refurbishment – Town Clock*

14.1.1 The Chairperson expressed disappointment at the lack of action being taken to progress the arrangements for the Town Clock that is to be donated as part of the Town Centre refurbishment project.

14.1.2 It was requested that the Chief Executive be asked to promptly follow up this matter.

14.2 *Former Public Trust Building*

14.2.1 The Chairperson advised that he had received a number of concerns from residents objecting to the escort services brothel which is to be established in this building.

14.2.2 It was agreed that a media release be made by the Board to inform the community that the Council and the Community Board cannot prevent the establishment of this business in Dannevirke.

14.2.3 This media release will include reference to the decriminalisation of prostitution as a result of central government legislation, and advising that the Council is able to determine conditions for the resource consent required to undertake this business.

14.2.4 The Board recommends that the granting of this resource consent should be subject to the following conditions:

- That opaque type windows be installed in the area of the building which the escort services brothel is situated.
- That the advertising and promotional signage relating to the business be discreet and limited in size to mitigate any adverse visual effects, and shall not contain provocative images or such material which is offensive.

14.3 *Inspection Tour of the Community Board's Area Services and Facilities*

14.3.1 The Chairperson will arrange to complete the inspection tour previously commenced and present a report to the Board regarding this matter.

15. Dannevirke Town Centre Refurbishment

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

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 7.53pm.

Chairperson