

# 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 Tuesday 7 June, 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 Nil.

### 4. Personal Matters

4.1 Board Member Ensor requested that his apology be noted for next month's meeting.

4.2 The Board's congratulations and best wishes are to be conveyed to Huia Range School on its recent opening, and wishing them all the best for the future.

### 5. Notification Of Any Extraordinary Business Not On The Agenda

5.1 Nil.

### 6. Strategic Plan

6.1 The Chairperson welcomed Vikki Johanson to the meeting, and invited her to address the Board.

6.2 Vikki Johanson proceeded to outline the Strategic Plan which she had prepared as a Planning Management Module based on the Board as the subject, and referred to the various strategies which the Board could undertake.

6.3 It was agreed that the Plan contained a number of strategies which may be of assistance to the Board, and these should be further discussed to determine the Board's intentions regarding this matter.

6.4 This will occur at an informal workshop briefing session following the Board's next meeting.

6.5 The Chairperson thanked Vikki Johanson for her work in preparing the Strategic Plan, and making the time available to present this to the Board.

7. Dannevirke High Street Upgrade

7.1 The Chairperson welcomed Jo Bruerton (Earthwork Landscape Architects) to the meeting, and invited her to address the Board.

7.2 Jo Bruerton proceeded to outline the consultation being undertaken regarding the planning for the Dannevirke High Street upgrade project.

7.3 The opportunity was then provided for general questions and comments, with Jo Bruerton responding to the matters raised by board members.

7.4 The concept of a Town Square identity for the town was the subject of some discussion.

7.5 Using the wall of the Warehouse building for murals was also suggested for consideration.

7.6 The Chairperson thanked Jo Bruerton for attending the meeting, and providing the opportunity for board members to participate in the discussions concerning this project.

7.7 ***That the Deputy Chairperson – Mr N H Ensor be appointed as the Board's representative on the Design Group for the Dannevirke High Street upgrade project.***

**Swenson/Cradock**

**Carried**

8. Confirmation Of Minutes

8.1 ***That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 2 May, 2005 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

**Ensor/Cradock**

**Carried**

9. Matters Arising From The Minutes

9.1 Provision of Dog Excrement Receptacle Bins (Item 7.1)

9.1.1 The Chairperson will contact those involved with the Woodville dog toilet project to discuss the plan which they used in providing this facility.

9.1.2 ***That the Board requests the painting of the no dogs allowed signs on the High Street footpaths be completed.***

**Ensor/Thew**

**Carried**

9.2 Sport Manawatu Workshop (Item 9.3)

9.2.1 The Chairperson will provide to Sport Manawatu some information which he has obtained on the promotion of community facilities to encourage healthy and active lifestyles.

9.3 Draft Annual Plan 2005/2006 (Item 13)

9.3.1 The Deputy Chairperson presented to the Council the Board's submission on the Draft Annual Plan for 2005/2006.

9.4 Lighting (Item 7.3)

9.4.1 The lighting requested in the vicinity of the new band rooms and the community centre has been ordered, and is to be installed shortly.

9.5 Local Memorial Service to Commemorate the Dannevirke and Norsewood Beginnings of Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen (Item 11.2)

9.5.1 About 40 people attended the Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen Memorial Service held in Norsewood, and they very much appreciated this event being arranged.

10. Tararua District Council Report

10.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 May, 2005 (as circulated) be received.***

**Swenson/Cradock**

**Carried**

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

11.1 Road Safety Group

11.1.1 Board Member Cradock will report next month on the recent meeting of the Road Safety Group.

12. Reports

12.1 Application for Grant – Tararua Healthy Homes Project

12.1.1 ***That the report from the Community Outcomes Manager dated 20 May, 2005 concerning an application for a grant towards the Tararua Healthy Homes Project (as circulated) be received.***

**Swenson/Cradock**

**Carried**

12.1.2 ***That the Board grant the sum of \$500.00 from its discretionary funds towards the Tararua Healthy Homes community project.***

**Cradock/Ensor**

**Carried**

13. Correspondence

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

(a) ***B J Arends  
Re: Request for financial assistance***

**2 May, 2005**

- (b) **Lifeline New Zealand** **9 May, 2005**  
**Re: Letter of appreciation**
- (c) **Bonanza Country Music Committee**  
**Re: Letter of appreciation**
- (d) **Hon. Chris Carter MP – Minister of Local Government** **13 May, 2005**  
**Re: Recent Government announcement to assist communities**
- (e) **Horowhenua District Council** **17 May, 2005**  
**Re: Removal of anomaly within existing legislation**
- (f) **MidCentral Health** **19 May, 2005**  
**Re: Community concerns regarding the discharge of patients from Palmerston North Hospital**

**Leen/Cradock**

**Carried**

13.2 B J Arends

- 13.2.1 ***That the Board acknowledges the significant achievement of Bernard Arends and his dogs in being selected to represent New Zealand at the World Sheep Dog Trial Championships to be held in Ireland from 7-10 July, 2005 and***

***That to assist Mr Arends with funding the costs of participating at this event, the Board grant the sum of \$712.50 from its discretionary funds towards the vet account for the dogs inoculations and blood tests.***

**Swenson/Ensor**

**Carried**

13.3 Hon. Chris Carter MP – Minister of Local Government

- 13.3.1 ***That the Board notes the assistance announced by the Government to help smaller communities to upgrade their drinking water systems, and***

***That the Board write to the Minister of Local Government pointing out the significant costs which ratepayers are being forced to fund to improve the quality of their drinking water standards, and suggesting that the amount available from the Drinking Water Assistance Programme is only considered to be a starting point to achieving the Government's expectations.***

**Cradock/Ensor**

**Carried**

- 13.3.2 ***That the Board supports the Council in its actions to make the particular issues relevant to rural councils very well known to the Government.***

**Ensor/Thew**

**Carried**

- 13.3.3 Board Member Leen departed from the meeting at 8.30pm.

13.4 Horowhenua District Council

- 13.4.1 The Board did not consider the matters raised by the Foxton Community Board regarding public excluded sessions and rights of attendance are an issue it is concerned about.

- 13.4.2 Therefore the Board will advise it intends to take no further action regarding this matter.

13.5 MidCentral Health

- 13.5.1 The Chairperson will contact the elderly Dannevirke resident who was discharged from the Palmerston North Hospital at a very late time of the night, and provide her with a copy of the response received from MidCentral Health.

14. Chairman's Remarks

14.1 TrustPower Tararua District Community Awards 2005

- 14.1.1 Board members were encouraged to consider local community groups and organisations to be nominated for the TrustPower Tararua District Community Awards 2005.

14.2 Community Contact

- 14.2.1 The Board is to consider strengthening its relationship with the community, particularly in respect of the outlying rural areas which it is elected to represent.

- 14.2.2 This matter will be the subject of discussion at the Board's next meeting.

15. Extraordinary Business Not On The Agenda

- 15.1 Nil.

*There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 8.45pm.*

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*Chairperson*