

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 September 2009 commencing at 3.13 pm.

1. Present

Board Members R P Teahan (Chairperson), R A Dresser and W R Macdonald.

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

- 2.1 *That the apologies be sustained from Board Member C J Isaacson and Cr C W Southgate (Council appointed community board member) for non-attendance at the meeting.*

Teahan/Dresser

Carried

3. Public Forum

3.1 Adopt A Highway Project

- 3.1.1 Dave Pawson reported on the work being undertaken to maintain and progress the Adopt A Highway project. Further plants have been purchased to establish the area, and spraying was carried out to control the weeds.

- 3.1.2 Board members conveyed their appreciation to Dave Pawson for his ongoing commitment and contribution to the Adopt A Highway project.

3.2 Vandalism

- 3.2.1 Dave Pawson spoke on the regular vandalism which is again occurring at the northern end of town, caused by young people after they have been drinking at the hotel in this vicinity.

- 3.2.2 Board Member Dresser will speak to the Dannevirke Police Senior Sergeant to advise him of this situation.

4. Personal Matters

- 4.1 Nil

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 outpatient clinic review
- Bus parking at public toilets in Barraud Street
- Trees in Queen Street

6. Confirmation of Minutes

- 6.1 ***That the minutes of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 3 August 2009 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.***

Macdonald/Dresser

Carried

7. Matters Arising From The Minutes

7.1 Lights For Tree in Copenhagen Square (Item 3.1)

- 7.1.1 Maria Edwards (the initiator of this proposal) will personally be approaching Rangitane O Tamaki Nui A Rua Inc. regarding this matter.

7.2 125 Years of the Railway to Dannevirke (Item 3.2)

- 7.2.1 The Rotary Club of Dannevirke in conjunction with the Dannevirke Host Lions Club intend to undertake as a joint project the refurbishment of the Dannevirke railway station.
- 7.2.2 The Dannevirke A & P Association support arranging an event to acknowledge the occasion of 125 years of railway to Dannevirke. This is to be organised to coincide with their centennial celebrations in February of next year.
- 7.2.3 A meeting has been convened by the Dannevirke A & P Association on Monday 21 September 2009 to discuss suggestions for an appropriate event, and various community organisations have been invited to attend.

7.3 Welcome to Dannevirke Signs (Item 7.2)

- 7.3.1 A meeting was held on Monday 17 August 2009 to discuss this matter, and the following was agreed.
- Permission will need to be obtained to re-locate the sign at Mangatera to the car park opposite the hotel, along with any other consents which may be necessary.
 - The new Dannevirke Viking Icon design will be incorporated into the refurbished signs, and permission is required from the sculptor Denis Hall.
 - The floodlighting of both signs is proposed.
 - Pat Herbert has agreed to paint the Viking, and Val Cheer is also willing to contribute his time and assistance.
 - Hamish Illsley will act as the project manager, and Wayne Erskine and Paul Martin shall prepare a computer image of the new signs.
 - Once the plan for the project has been finalised consent from the New Zealand Transport Agency will be required.

7.4 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award (Item 7.6)

- 7.4.1 The 2009 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award presentation function was an enjoyable occasion, with there being seven nominations submitted for consideration.
- 7.4.2 The work undertaken by the Governance Manager to organise this event was acknowledged.

7.5 Dannevirke Town Clock (Item 7.7)

- 7.5.1 An official community event will be held on Saturday 3 October 2009 to dedicate and bless the Town Clock, celebrate the Town Centre refurbishment including the sculpture representing Papatuanuku (the Earth Mother), and to officially open the Dannevirke Spring Festival.
- 7.5.2 The Chairperson will be meeting with the Mayor to discuss the programme for these arrangements.
- 7.5.3 Invitations to this event and the light lunch at The Hub will be sent out, and seating is to be arranged in the vicinity of the Town Clock.
- 7.5.4 The Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce is organising to make this a special day to celebrate the occasion, and it invites the community to join with them for these festivities.
- 7.5.5 The Board will include reference to the Chamber of Commerce's invitation in its advertisements to promote the official community event.
- 7.5.6 It was noted that the Chamber of Commerce is seeking financial assistance towards their proposed festivities, with the costs estimated to be \$4,500.00.
- 7.5.7 ***That the Board grant the Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce the sum of \$1,500.00 from its discretionary funds as assistance towards the costs of their community event to be held on Saturday 3 October 2009 to celebrate the Town Centre refurbishment.***

Dresser/Macdonald

Carried

7.6 Crime Prevention in Dannevirke (Item 15)

- 7.6.1 A proposal has been developed to establish a security camera monitoring system for the retail area of Dannevirke, and applications will be made for funding to purchase this equipment.

8. Tararua District Council Report

- 8.1 ***That the minutes of the Council meetings held on 12 and 26 August 2009 (as circulated) be received.***

Dresser/Macdonald

Carried

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

9.1 Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce

- 9.1.1 Board Member Dresser noted that earlier during the meeting he had reported on matters concerning the Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce.

9.2 Dannevirke Spring Festival

- 9.2.1 Board Member Dresser reported that the Dannevirke Spring Festival arrangements for the events to be held in October are progressing well.

10. Correspondence

10.1 That the correspondence as listed be received:-

(a) **Phillips Search and Rescue Trust** **19 August 2009**
Re: Youth Community Variety Concert

(b) **Rangatira Croquet Club (Inc.)** **22 August 2009**
Re: Letter of appreciation

Macdonald/Dresser

Carried

10.2 Youth Community Variety Concert

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

10.2.2 Advertising and publicity is to be arranged to promote this event.

11. Chairman's Remarks

11.1 Dannevirke Town Centre Refurbished Footpaths

11.1.1 The Chairperson reported that several residents had expressed concerns to him regarding the state of the Town Centre's refurbished footpaths.

11.1.2 It appears that the footpaths have only been cleaned once, whereas a regular cleaning programme was to be implemented.

11.1.3 There was agreement that this situation is not satisfactory, and it is to be ascertained what is happening in respect of this matter.

12. Christmas Community Concert

12.1 This year's Christmas in the Park community concert will be held at the Dannevirke A & P Showgrounds, and shall involve the participation of the local churches.

12.2 The proceeds received from the event will be donated to the Dannevirke A & P Association and the Cancer Society.

12.3 The arrangements for the date and programme shall be co-ordinated by the Chairperson and Board Member Macdonald.

13. Items Not On The Agenda

13.1 Dannevirke Outpatient Clinic Review

13.1.1 The Chairperson is to represent the Board at a meeting arranged by the MidCentral District Health Board to discuss this matter.

13.1.2 This meeting involves key representatives from the Dannevirke Community, and it is to be held in the Council Chamber on Monday 14 September 2009 commencing at 1.30 pm.

13.2 **Bus Parking At Public Toilets in Barraud Street**

- 13.2.1 Concern was expressed that Dannevirke is losing potential revenue from visitors to the town as some buses are no longer stopping due to the one-way system in Barraud Street.
- 13.2.2 Previously buses stopped in this location to enable passengers to use the public toilets, and they often then walked to nearby businesses and made purchases.
- 13.2.3 The Chairperson will speak with Dannevirke's New World Manager Gary Hasler to request him to consider allowing a bus parking area to be provided in his supermarket car park.

13.3 **Trees in Queen Street**

- 13.3.1 The trees located in Queen Street (between Allardice Street and Princess Street) by the railway line need some maintenance to improve their appearance.
- 13.3.2 This matter will be referred to the Community Assets Manager to follow up.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 5.05 pm.

Chairperson