

Dannevirke Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Dannevirke Community Board held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Monday 2 May 2022 commencing at 1.00pm.

1. Present

Board Members P F Walshe (Chairperson), T J Hynes (Deputy Chairperson), W R Macdonald, K P Spooner-Taylor and Cr E L Peeti-Webber (Council appointed Community Board member).

In Attendance

Mr R Taylor - Manager - Democracy Services

- 2. Apologies
- 2.1 Nil
- 3. Public Forum
- 3.1 Nil
- 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 4 April 2022 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Hynes/Macdonald

Carried

7. Matters Arising from the Minutes

- 7.1 **Super Consultation Round 2** (Item 8.2)
- 7.1.1 The Board agreed to discuss this matter regarding any submissions or feedback to Council at the end of the meeting.

7.2 Dannevirke 150th Anniversary (Item 12)

- 7.2.1 Board Member Ross Macdonald is progressing a proposal to arrange an event for the third week in September to commemorate Dannevirke's 150th anniversary through a presentation on its history and afternoon tea.
- 7.3 Anzac Day (Item 11)
- 7.3.1 The Board laid a wreath at the Anzac Day ceremony in Dannevirke that was well attended by the community.

8. Tararua District Council Report

8.1 That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 27 April 2022 (as tabled) be received.

Spooner-Taylor/Peeti-Webber

Carried

- 8.2 Dannevirke Lower Domain
- 8.2.1 A request has been made to Group Manager Infrastructure Chris Chapman to clean up the blackberry in the Dannevirke Lower Domain Deer Park which is overgrown in that area.

9. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities

9.1 Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce

- 9.1.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes reported Dannevirke Chamber of Commerce meetings have been arranged with Members of Parliament speaking as follows:
 - 2 May Mark Mitchell (National Party Spokesperson for Police, Serious Fraud Office and Counter-Terrorism)
 - 26 May Nicola Willis (National Party Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Spokesperson for Finance and Social Investment) and Erica Stanford (National Party - Spokesperson for Education, Ethnic Communities and Immigration)
 - 15 June Grant Robertson (Labour Party Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Infrastructure, Racing, Sport and Recreation)

9.2 Dannevirke Host Lions Club Electric Barbecue at the Dannevirke Lower Domain

9.2.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes reported Dannevirke Host Lions Club is progressing its project to complete the installation of the electric barbecue at the Dannevirke Lower Domain.

9.3 Dannevirke Community Vehicle Trust

9.3.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes reported due to a decline in passenger numbers using the Dannevirke community vehicle the service has been reduced through ceasing to operate on Monday's.

9.4 **Community Walkway**

- 9.4.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes reported planning is progressing to provide a community walkway on the southern side of Victoria Avenue heading west from the town boundary bridge to Adelaide Road.
- 9.4.2 Consultation/communication has been undertaken with residents in the vicinity, and it is hoped the contractor can proceed to commence work shortly to enable the project to be completed prior to winter.

9.5 Roading

- 9.5.1 Chairperson Board Member Pat Walshe spoke on a fatal crash between a vehicle and bicycle on Weber Road that occurred yesterday afternoon.
- 9.5.2 The road was closed and diversions put in place, with motorists asked to avoid the area to enable emergency services to respond.
- 9.5.3 This latest tragic accident was the second fatality on that road in five weeks.

10. **Correspondence**

10.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes declared a conflict of interest regarding this item of business, and abstained from discussion and voting on the motion concerning that matter.

10.2 That the correspondence as listed be received.

a) Dannevirke Host Lions Club

19 April 2022

Re: Request for financial assistance towards the cost of hiring Dannevirke Town Hall for the annual book sale fundraising community event

And that the Board grant Dannevirke Host Lions Club the sum of \$350 from its discretionary funds as assistance to offset the cost of hiring this venue for their annual event held in July.

Spooner-Taylor/Macdonald

11. Wackrow Memorial Youth Award

11.1 The Board note the following proposed dates regarding the arrangements for the 2022 Wackrow Memorial Youth Award:

Nominations open	-	Monday 4 July 2022
Nominations close	-	Friday 29 July 2022
Judging	-	Monday 15 August 2022 at 10.00am or 5.30pm
Award Function: The Hub	-	Tuesday 23 August 2022 at 7.00pm

- 11.2 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Terry Hynes, Board Member Kim Spooner-Taylor and Council appointed Board Member Cr Erana Peeti-Webber will be the Board's representatives on the judging panel.
- 11.3 Claire Chapman will be invited to continue as a member of the public on the judging panel, with Sergeant Gary McKernon as the representative from Dannevirke Police.
- 11.4 Board Member Ross Macdonald will seek to confirm a guest speaker for this year's award function.

12. Chairperson's Remarks

12.1 Nil

13. Super Consultation Round 2

- 13.1 Council appointed Board Member Cr Erana Peeti-Webber abstained from discussion to agree the Board's submissions and feedback in response to Council's Super Consultation Round 2 document.
- 13.2 The Board considered and noted each topic discussed with the community in the Super Consultation Round 2 document, and supported to convey its specific comments to Council regarding the following matters:

Water Supply Bylaw

Access to the water supply in rural areas where that service is available but the property is not connected presently incurs a half charge through the rates system.

The proposed approach to discontinue applying that rating charge where a rural property is not receiving this service is supported, particularly if it has made alternative storage arrangements for its water supply.

As an incentive to support and encourage the installation of water tanks for storage and emergency use the Board support Council facilitating assistance for that purpose.

This should be provided through Council's buying power to bulk purchase tanks, and making them available to residents on a cost recovery basis where they have the option of paying the purchase price through their rates instalments.

Minimum tank sizes required to supply adequate capacity as outlined in the draft bylaw are supported, being 5,000 litres in urban areas and 30,000 litres outside an urban supply area for the development of new sections of 1,000 square metres and above.

Annual Plan 2022/2023

The impact of the proposed 11.37% rates increase on people with low and fixed incomes and pensioners at a time when the cost of living and inflation is rising is of concern with regard to affordability.

To help alleviate this situation Council is urged to lobby central government and advocate to review the level of the rates rebate thresholds to provide increased assistance to those eligible for that support, thereby recognising the rising cost of rates in addition to prices escalating for other essential everyday items.

14. Items Not on the Agenda

14.1 CCTV Coverage in the Vicinity of Dannevirke Town Hall

14.1.1 Board Member Kim Spooner-Taylor will contact the Manager Strategy and Climate Change Peter Wimsett regarding CCTV coverage in the vicinity of Dannevirke Town Hall as graffiti has occurred in that area.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 2.30pm.

Chairperson