



Rangitikei District Council

Bulls Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 10 February 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

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Present: Mr H Dalrymple (Chair)
Ms J Dunn
Mr J Guinan
Mr B Hammond
Ms J Jamieson
Ms C Lewis
Mr A Walker
Cr T Harris
Cr R McNeil

In attendance: Ms H Cooper, Bulls Museum
Ms S Boxall, RNZAF Ohakea

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked H Cooper from the Bulls Museum for providing the venue.

The Chair then welcomed Ms S Boxall from RNAF Ohakea who was standing in for C Hart.

2 Apologies

That the apologies for absence from His Worship the Mayor, D Fraser, C Hart, K Scott and H Thorby, and the apology for lateness from Cr Harris, be received.

Mr Hammond / Ms Jamieson. Carried

3 Confirmation of minutes

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That the Minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 9 December 2014 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Guinan / Cr McNeil. Carried

4 Matters arising

None

5 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

Mr Hammond spoke about the possible 70km/h speed reduction from Ferry Road along Parewanui Road, to the 50km/h zone in High Street. Ms Lewis had had discussions with the Bulls Police and she was told that Feilding Police would have a presence along the above roads to evaluate car movements.

6 Report from the Sub-Committee addressing the transition issues for Samoan families into the Bulls Community

Cr McNeil gave a verbal report. She had met with two mothers, and His Worship the Mayor would meet with them personally, and had helped two families arrive in the community. Two houses were fitted-out.

Cr McNeil met with Work and Income New Zealand to discuss the translation of welcome packs to Samoan. She said J Anderson will liaise with the Samoan Families.

Late last year there were issues with ANZCO.

7 Community Gardens in Bulls

The Chair asked for comments. It was noted that 'Haylock Park, Taumaihi Street' should read 'Haylock Park, Johnson Street'. The Committee felt it was the right place for a community garden in Bulls.

8 Update on the Bulls Town Centre Plan February 2015

Ms Dunn presented her report to the Committee. This report is attached as an appendix to these minutes.

Cr McNeil informed the meeting about Rangitikei Tourism's 'Walking Gallery' around the town, involving a photo competition. She also spoke about plans to bring the 'Cow Parade' to Bulls. Funding is required for over \$130,000. She suggested that Bulls investigate getting their own fibreglass bulls and renting them out to other towns.

Ms Dunn asked for approval for more paint to be purchased to paint the three planter boxes outside the Rathole. The Committee agreed, but only if the paint fails to be donated if a request were made to the owner of The Rathole.

Mr Dalrymple had received a written request, and also spoken to Annabel Whisker, suggesting that the Bulls Community Committee endorses 'Cows on Parade' to come to Bulls. The Committee endorsed this request, and suggested that the Bulls and District Community Trust liaise with 'Cows on Parade'.

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That the memorandum 'Update on the Bulls Town Centre Plan February 2015' be received.

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That the colour palette in the Bulls Town Centre Plan report be strongly encouraged for community projects within the Bulls town centre.

Mr Walker / Mr Hammond. Carried

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That the kowhai tree between Platts Pharmacy and the Bulls Library be removed.

Ms Jamieson / Mr Guinan. Carried

Resolved minute number **15/BCC/005** **File Ref**

That the Bulls Community Committee approves the reimbursement of \$66.26 to Ms Dunn.

Mr Hammond / Mr Guinan. Carried

Resolved minute number **15/BCC/006** **File Ref**

That the Bulls Community Committee approves the purchase of additional paint for the planter boxes outside The Rathole, if the request for paint to be donated by the owner is declined.

Cr Harris / Mr Walker. Carried

9 Update on the Bulls Wastewater Upgrade Project Focus Group

The Committee noted that there was no further progress to report.

10 Feedback on proposed work programme for Bulls and District Community Trust, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Community Development Trust

General discussion took place. Ms Dunn expressed her unease about the Bulls and District Community Trust implementing the Town Centre Plan. She suggested that the Committee be kept in the loop regarding all projects.

Cr Harris advised the Committee that it was district-wide funding and that Council had to be accountable.

Ms Lewis raised the question of the Community Development Manager's job description, and suggested that it be made available to the Committee so they have a better understanding of the role and how they can complement what is currently being done. Ms Boxall supported this but stated that it was not the employment contract only the job description that Ms Lewis had requested.

Ms Boxall suggested that 2.4 needed to be expanded for simplicity and transparency, and that projects should go through the Committee (with particular reference to 6.4 and 6.5).

The Chair expressed concern that community projects are being shifted towards the Bulls and District Community Trust, and also the implementation of the Town Centre Plan. He also referred to 6.5, that all projects relating to Council work in the town should be directed to the Committee.

Mr Guinan stated that the Committee's job is to be the first point of call for residents and community group projects.

Resolved minute number **15/BCC/007** **File Ref** **3-GF-10**

That the memorandum 'Feedback on proposed work programme for Bulls and District Community, Project Marton, Rangitikei Tourism and Taihape Community Development Trust' be received.

Cr Harris / Mr Guinan. Carried

11 Response to issues raised at the previous meeting

The Committee commented that it was pleased with the work done.

Resolved minute number **15/BCC/008** **File Ref** **3-CC-1-1**

That the memorandum 'Response to issues raised at the previous meeting' be received.

Mr Guinan / Ms Jamieson. Carried

12 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities in the Bulls Ward

The Committee noted that due to the change in date of the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meetings in late 2014, there will be no update to this meeting of the Committee and that an update covering November and December 2014 and January 2015 would be provided to the next meeting.

13 Small projects grant scheme

The Committee asked to be advised of the start and finish dates for the Small Projects Grant Scheme.

14 General business

Cr Harris

- The caravan effluent disposal site is about two months away.

Mr Guinan

- The cenotaph project is in hand.

Ms Lewis

- A local resident had approached Ms Lewis to ask if there was any truth to the rumour that the Chief Executive had the authority to dispose of Council owned assets up to a value of \$250,000 without consultation (e.g. the Town Hall and the Bulls Information Centre).
- Cr Harris responded that the above statement was not true. Mr Dalrymple stated that Council is proposing that any Council owned assets will be sold through the correct process, and that the Committee had endorsed the project.

Ms Cooper

- Bulls Museum will be hosting an official opening of the Mounted Rifles this year, with a top official from Linton to have the honour of opening it. TVNZ had contacted the Bulls Museum last week.

Mr Hammond

- The Fire Brigade has been extremely busy and there was a good save last week. Water kept up very well. Council is preventing fire on vacant sections.

15 Notification of business for the next meeting

Mr Hammond asked about Council's policy on updating children's playground equipment in Council operated playgrounds. Ms Lewis informed the meeting that there is a Bulls resident who installs playground equipment nationwide. Ms Jamieson commented on the poor state of the playground equipment at Walker Park.

16 Next meeting

Tuesday 10 March 2015, 5.30 pm

17 Meeting closed – 7.30 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____