



Rangitikei District Council

Bulls Community Committee Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 8 December 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

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The quorum for the Bulls Community Committee is 6.

At its meeting of 28 October 2010, Council resolved that “The quorum at any meeting of a standing committee or sub-committee of the Council (including Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, the Community Committees, the Reserve Management Committees and the Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committees) is that required for a meeting of the local authority in SO 2.4.3 and 3.4.3.

Present Mr Hew Dalrymple
 Ms Sandra Boxall
 Mr John Guinan
 Mr Braden Hammond
 Ms Jodi Jamieson
 Ms Carol Lewis
 Mr Kevin Otto
 Mr Keith Scott
 Ms Heather Thorby
 Cr Tim Harris
 Cr Rebecca McNeil

In Attendance Ms Jan Harris, Bulls and Districts Community Development Manager
 H Cooper
 N Bott
 Ms Hilary Haylock
 T Simms
 B Tamblyn
 P Geurtjens
 P Sharland

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed those present and thanked the nine members of the public for their attendance.

2 Apologies

That apologies from Ms Jane Dunn be received.

3 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number	15/BCC/52	File Ref
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That the Minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 10 November 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, with the apology of Cr R McNeil included.

Mr Scott / Ms Thorby. Carried.

4 Matters Arising

- 4.1 Question was asked regarding notification of the timeline referred to in 11.1
- 4.2 In reference to 11.3, request to RDC for “No Smoking” signs in Information Centre Courtyard.
- 4.3 In reference to Item 8 in General Business, question was asked about funding for the 10 seats approved by BCC in October 2015. Informed that this now came under Rangitikei Tourism umbrella. This has become an embarrassment re out-dated quotes and procrastination by BCC.

5 Council Decisions on Recommendations from the Committee

The following recommendation from the Committee was approved by Council at its meeting on 26 November 2015:

15/BCC/05

That the Rangitikei District Council undertake an urgent investigation of these hazardous mobility scooter crossings in Bulls and Marton and action a solution to this problem.

6 Council Responses to Queries at Previous Meetings

There was a discussion regarding the lack of prompt action by Rangitikei District Council over matters raised by BCC:

- Lack of cleaning equipment in Town Hall,
- CCTV camera inoperable,
- Footpath cleaning, and
- Uneven paving of footpath.

7 Update on Bulls Town Centre Plan

No discussion on the 7-Day Makeover.

8 Update on Bulls Wastewater Upgrade Project

No discussion on the Bulls WWTP project.

9 Update on Bulls Multi-Purpose Community Facility

Resolved minute number **15/BCC/054** **File Ref** **1-CP-7-2**

That the memorandum 'Bulls Multi-Purpose Community Facility – Update December 2015' be received.

B Hammond / Cr R McNeil. Carried.

The committee members expressed real concern regarding the lack of communication with the Museum as reference to Museum in memo appeared without any recent consultation orally or in writing.

Resolved minute number **15/BCC/052** **File Ref**

That the Rangitikei District Council not put out Memorandums without consultation with groups referred to in Memorandums.

Mr Dalrymple/ Mr Scott. Carried.

The following points were made:

- A delegation from the Museum present at the meeting said they were dismayed and angry at the lack of consultation and reference to the sale of the Museum building.
- Questions were raised about the unidentified Council properties in Bulls being sold and lack of consultation with local ratepayers.
- The final budget figure for the multi-purpose centre needed to be finalised. The committee queried – was it still \$3.6 million?
- The committee noted the current plans were concept only
- They raised questions about the design phases
- Time was needed for further community consultation
- The Fundraising Group is to be formed before Christmas 2015
- Pending meeting with Architecture Workshop
- Concept plans will be submitted by February
- Suggested public meeting
- Role of Heritage NZ regarding ex Criterion site

- Archaeologist Andy Dodd met with site owners
- Some excavation of the site will occur
- Pre 1900 artefacts are of interest to Heritage NZ
- There is an old stable area in the car park area

Resolved minute number **15/BCC/053** **File Ref**

That Rangitikei District Council formulate Communication Plans to inform the Bulls Ward of all progress/decisions re Bulls Town Centre Plan.

Ms Boxall / Mr Hammond. Carried.

10 Small Projects Grant Scheme (balance)

It was noted that:

- Accounting processes must be followed for all payments from this grant, and,
- A bag of potting mix will be provided for B Scadden as a reimbursement for small project completed.

11 Current Infrastructure Projects/Upgrades and other Council Activities within the Ward

There was no discussion.

12 General Business

Public Toilets

- A letter was received from B Tamblyn regarding Toilets at the Information Centre after existing hours 8 am to 5 pm.
- A copy of this letter had been sent to the Mayor and CEO
- Strong discussion ensued regarding the Health and Safety concerns raised
- Bulls is a Bus Junction eg six buses on occasion at 6pm, 10 companies per day using the site
- Solution urgently needed to address hygiene/health issues after hours
- Excrement and urine left behind shops in alleyways
- Access to Wallace Toilets impractical re distance from Info Centre and Bus turnaround times being seven to 10 minutes as the norm
- Possible urgent/desperate solutions to this problem:
 - Open Information Centre to 6.30 pm
 - Install concertina/bi-fold doors to secure Info Centre and isolate toilets
 - Install swipe card system for bus drivers
 - Hire Port-a-loos for free
 - Hire Port-a-loos – coin operated
 - Reopen old toilets.

- Access to toilets for bus passengers has to be an Rangitikei District Council priority
- This issue is of major concern for Bulls ratepayers/residents.
- Suggest toilet signage be placed in Walker Park to show where toilets are located

Graffiti

There is concern that the service request regarding graffiti not being carried out three months after notification.

Santa's Cave - Santa's Cave had 80 plus children on Christmas Parade Day.

Cenotaph Power Poles - The painting of the power poles has not happened after Mayor indicated that he would organise for this to happen.

S Boxall – The air force houses are selling well and the Information packs for new staff regarding Bulls are well received.

J Jamieson – Thanks to the planting team regarding pots in town.

H Haylock – Noted concern regarding sale of Town Hall and requested for research/data on the history of this facility. H Thorby to action this.

B Hammond – Dog problem in Hammond Street; 'a-bull' being used elsewhere; fire risks of unmown verges; Fire Brigade has been busy and a new petrol (self-service) station on old BP site.

K Scott – raised an issue of current water forum process in regards to Iwi ownership.

13 Notification of business for the Next Meeting

Nil.

14 Next Meeting

9 February 2016, 5.30 pm

15 Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: