

Rangitīkei District Council

Bulls Community Committee Meeting Minutes – Thursday 5 December 2019 – 5:30 p.m.

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Present: Mr Tyrone Barker (Chair)

Ms Danelle Whakatihi

Mr Nigel Bowen Mr Bruce Dear

Mr Matthew Holden

Mr John Sula Mr Russel Ward

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Councillor Brian Carter Councillor Jane Dunn Councillor Waru Panapa

Ms Tricia Falkner (via conference call)

In attendance: Ms Bonnie Clayton, Governance Administrator

Ms Helen Scully, Bulls and District Community Trust - Chair Ms Heidi Macaulay, Bulls and District Community Trust

1 Welcome

His Worship the Mayor welcomed the Committee members at 5.30pm.

2 Introduction of Committee members

Members briefly introduced themselves to the Committee on their background and community ties.

Ms Whakatihi arrived at 5.36pm.

3 Apologies

That the apology for absence from Ms Raewyn Turner and Ms Nicole Harrison be received.

Cr Carter/Cr Dunn. Carried

Ms Tricia Falkner was not present at the meeting, however teleconferenced into the meeting for the first 4 agenda items.

4 Election of Chair

No voting system was required, as there was only one accepted nomination.

Councillor Dunn nominated Mr Tyrone Barker as Chair.

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/032 File Ref

That Tyrone Barker be appointed Chair of the Bulls Community Committee.

Cr Dunn/Mr Holden. Carried

Mr Barker took place as Chair.

5 Election of Deputy Chair

Mr Holden noted he would consider sitting as Deputy Chair again if there were no further nominations from the Committee.

Mr Bowen nominated Ms Whakatihi, which was seconded by Mr Holden.

Ms Whakatihi accepted the nomination.

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/033 File Ref

That Danelle Whakatihi be appointed Deputy Chair of the Bulls Community Committee.

Mr Bowen/Mr Holden. Carried

6 Guidance for Community Committees

The memorandum was taken as read.

Cr Dunn left 5.41-5.41pm.

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/034 File Ref 3-CC-1-5

That the memorandum 'Guidance for Community Committees' to the Bulls Community Committee at the 5 December 2019 meeting be received.

Cr Carter/Cr Dunn. Carried

Mr Barker noted that Ms Turner had previously represented the Committee as a grant assessor, and that she would like to continue this role. There were no further nominations.

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/035 File Ref 3-CC-1-5

That Raewyn Turner be appointed as the Bulls Community Committee grant assessor for the Community Initiatives and Events Sponsorship schemes.'

Mr Barker/Ms Whakatihi. Carried

7 Standing Orders

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

8 Public Forum

Heidi Macaulay on behalf of the Bulls & District Community Trust asked for any assistance members may be able to provide for the upcoming Bulls Christmas Parade, whether they could assist on the day, help decorate the Bulls Township, provide Christmas trees, gift Christmas themed items or donations of money towards the items.

A whanau day at the Bulls Domain will follow the Bulls Christmas Parade, this will include a mechanical bull, free ice cream, sausages and Santa, along with much more to do.

The Trust is working towards the Community concert which will be held in February. Heidi will be on leave for six weeks but will be contactable by phone during this time if required.

9 Member's conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

His Worship the Mayor updated members of their responsibility to declare any Conflict of Interest or potential Conflict of Interest they feel they may have. Furthermore that it is not for the Chair to state a member's conflict but it is for the Chair to manage the meeting and any declaration made. Should a member have a pecuniary or financial interest in an agenda

item they are obligated to declare a conflict of interest and the Committee member should vacate the room for that item. Conflicts also extend to immediate family members i.e. partner and children. It is safer to declare and the Chair will make the decision on whether it is a conflict or not.

10 Confirmation of order of business

The order of business was confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor advised the Committee that he had been providing updates at the other Community Committee meetings, and asked whether the Bulls Community Committee wants an update at the meeting and whether he provide a standing item in future order papers. The Committee agreed that it is relevant to have his updates.

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting,

- 1. Mayoral updates
- 2. Letter from NZTA
- 3. Bulls Historical Society Letter

be dealt with as late items at this meeting.

11 Plans for the Bulls Domain

Mr Barker updated the Committee and briefed new members of the history of how they came to the current proposal for the Bulls Domain. Mr Barker explained that at the Bulls Community Committee's final meeting in 2018, Council asked what could be updated around the town including toilets, playgrounds and checked out the Domain.

A public meeting was held with over 20 people including Rangitikei District Council staff, with questions like "how can the Domain be improved". Ideas were an upgrade to the playground and toilet block and adding a BBQ area. A further meeting with Council staff and local Councillors has been held.

A group will be established to drive the project. Mr Barker noted that it will be a community driven project where all stakeholders will have the opportunity to have a say.

12 Small Projects Grant Scheme update – November 2019

The memorandum was taken as read.

There was discussion around previous small grants projects and whether these payments had been taken into consideration in the current balance.

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/036 File Ref 3-CC-1-2

That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update - November 2019' to the 5 December 2019 Bulls Community Committee be received.

Mr Dear/Ms Whakatihi. Carried

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/037 File Ref

That the Bulls Community Committee purchase 1x large bag of Bean Bag beans up to the value of \$100, to be paid on receipt of an invoice.

Cr Dunn/Mr Ward. Carried

Undertaking Subject

Ms Clayton to check with accounts payable whether payment has been made for the purchase of a kart, timber for the Buxus planter boxes and the imagery for the Bulls Town Signage. On confirmation, the balance and the small projects grants scheme report will be updated to reflect these payments.

13 Rangitīkei Youth Council applications are open for 2020

Ms Clayton briefly updated the Committee that nominations for the Rangitikei Youth Council are due to close Friday 6 December. If the Committee knew someone who may be interested that they can apply via the Rangitikei District Council website.

His Worship the Mayor provided a brief insight on how the Rangitikei Youth Council mirrors what happens in Council, they hold formal meetings, have submitted to Central Government, attended the Future Leaders course in Wellington, are involved in a number of community events and are fabulous ambassadors for the district. He also made note of the great work Ms Gower puts into the group. His Worship the Mayor also noted that there are other options for youth including through the Mayor's office such as the TUIA Rangatahi Leadership Programme, mentoring and scholarships via Outward Bound.

14 Receipt of minutes from the last meeting in the 2016-19 triennium

The Committee noted amendments to be made: Mr Paul Sharland was in attendance at the final meeting of the 2016-19 triennium, and Ms Macaulay's name and details were listed incorrectly. These corrections have been made.

15 Late Items

Mayoral updates

His Worship the Mayor briefed the Committee on the following items: changes in freshwater legislation, changes in Council brings 6 new Councillors this triennium, climate changes

impacting our region, housing pressure in the district, updates on the Bulls Community Centre and Sod turning at Ohakea.

The Committee queried the empty lots (sections) that Ohakea own in Taumaihi Street and why they remain empty.

Mr Sula is to follow up on this and report back to the Committee.

Undertaking Subject

Mr Sula to follow up on the vacant empty sections in Taumaihi Street and report back to the next Bulls Community Committee.

Bulls Historical Society Letter

The letter was taken as read as an information piece.

Letter from NZTA

Mr Barker spoke to the letter from NZTA in regards to road upgrades due to happen in

Discussion was had around the speed limits entering Bulls and whether these could be lowered at the entrance to Bulls on Highway 3 (Whanganui side of the township) and State Highway 1 (Marton side of the township).

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/038 File Ref

That the Bulls Community Committee recommend to Council to add a 70km/h area on State Highway 3 past the Kiwi Tech Building to reduce the engine breaking from trucks within the Bulls town boundary, and to add a 70km/h area on State Highway 1, north of Bulls by the beginning of the Polo grounds (Ex Racecourse).

Mr Barker/Mr Dear. Carried

Parewanui Road

The Committee discussed the poor quality of part of Parewanui Road and queried whether the roading team could reconstruct the road.

Resolved minute number 19/BCC/039 File Ref

The Bulls Community Committee requests Council's roading team to look into full reconstruction of Parewanui Road from rural number 674 to Dalrymples Road.

Mr Ward/Mr Holden. Carried

16 Future Items for the Agenda

Town Signage

Placemaking

17 Next meeting

Tuesday 11 February 2020, 6.00pm.

18 Meeting Closed

7.37 pm.

Confirmed/Chair:	
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Date: