

MINUTES

BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 11 August 2021

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: Ohakea Room, Te Matapihi
Bulls Community Centre
4 Criterion Street
Bulls

Present

- Ms Danelle Whakatihi
- Mr Bruce Dear
- Ms Nicole Harrison
- Mr Matthew Holden
- Ms Raewyn Turner
- Mr Russel Ward
- Mr Greg Smith
- Ms Candace Ashby
- Mr Dennis Moratti
- Cr Brian Carter
- Cr Coral Raukawa
- HWTM Andy Watson

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1 Welcome

The meeting began at 6.06 pm. His Worship the Mayor chaired the meeting and advised the Committee that nominations will be called for a new Chair, new Deputy Chair and new Committee members.

2 Apologies

Mr Nigel Bowen was an apology.

Cr Coral Raukawa arrived at the meeting at 6.26 pm.

3 Elections

3.1 Election of New Chair for the Bulls Community Committee

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/013

Nominated Ms Danelle Whakatihi as Chairperson.

Ms R Turner/Mr M Holden. Carried

3.2 Election of Deputy Chair for the Bulls Community Committee

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/014

Nominated Mr Matthew Holden as Deputy Chairperson.

Ms D Whakatihi/Mr R Ward. Carried

3.3 Election of New Committee Members

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/015

Nominated Mr Greg Smith as a new Committee member.

Mr B Dear/Ms N Harrison. Carried

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/016

Nominated Ms Candace Ashby as a new Committee member.

Ms N Harrison/Ms R Turner. Carried

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Nil.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

New business items:

- Mirror at Holland Cres
- Letter from Mr Jim Howard - planting and maintenance of trees.
- Assessment Committees
- Art Works
- Green Space
- Curbing Taumaihi Street
- Town Maps
- Speed
- Sale of Old Town Hall, Old Info Centre, Plunket rooms, Old Library

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/017

The minutes of the Bulls Community Committee meeting held on 10 March 2021 were confirmed.

Mr B Dear/Ms R Turner. Carried

7 Mayoral Update

7.1 Mayoral Update – August 2021

Written reports accepted as read.

Substantial Build at Ohakea. There could be up to 1500 construction workers on base at any one time. Support work is proceeding a little behind.

Questioned: Coffee Cart on site. Response....possibility

Defence Estate - housing - discussion

Schools & pre-schools

3 Waters - aggregation of Waters into one entity. (Drinking, Waste, Storm)

(based on Scottish Scheme)

Rangitikei is in the B group - South of Auckland to Rangitikei.

More information coming out in the next 7 weeks.

It could become that Local Councils will not have the opt out option.

The Govt may choose to mandate.

Due October - consultation may start but Local Councils have not been informed YET.

Change in Resource Management Act. Options may be decided by Regional Entities.

At present we work alongside Manawatu on lots of issues.

RDC have invested substantially in the first 3 years of LTP.

Local Govt has said to Central Govt that their timeline is too short. Plus inclusion of iwi.

Weighting on Entity Board reps (12).

Implied there will be several thousand new people employed.

Govt has already by law a new regulatory body looking at requirements and as an economic regulator.

Compliant to existing standards.

Minister Mahuta was asked if she would mandate it....response..."the conversation has moved on".

Extension on Te Matapihi.

Options discussed re changing room: Do nothing, under stage (could have difficulty with compliance)... Council looking further at a stand-alone building. No decision yet.

To date: Construction close 5.65million. Total project approximately 8.6 million (cost will come down once obsolete buildings are sold).

Building now is compliant.

8 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

8.1 Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings

Rubbish Bins at River

There was a bin and that it got damaged.

G Smith shared that in his experience fly tipping is a problem

Locally the resolved that if locals picked it up and had a process and the local council would pay for disposal. Because of Health and Safety this practice was stopped

Signage - it was suggested that signage could be put at the river.

In our previous minutes it was stated that "the installation of litter bins would likely result in a significant increase of illegal dumping in and around the location of the bins, resulting in additional costs to Council."

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/018

The Bulls Community Committee would request that a rubbish bin/s and regular collection be organised for the picnic area at the Bulls river for a 6 month trial. Ask that the main contractor be asked to action this. We ask that this will be a trial to see if there will be an increase of illegal rubbish dumping.

Mr B Dear/Mr R Ward. Carried

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/019

The Bulls Community Committee requests that the RDC contacts Wallace Development and request that they supply more bins and arrange for more regular disposal of the contents.

Ms R Turner/Ms N Harrison. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2021

Bikes and Scooters at Te Matapihi

The BCC are concerned that due to the dropping of bikes and scooters outside Te Matapihi we investigate the price of cycle/scooter rack that could be put in front of the building. Children do not have the means to lock their possessions on the racks closer to the what will be the bus lane. Bruce will go to Road Runners to discuss options.

The BCC thanks the RDC for rolling over the balance of Small Projects Grant Scheme

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/020

Report accepted as read.

Ms D Whakatihi/Ms R Turner. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Humphrey Subdivision

Update. Land has been bought.

10.2 The Beautification of the Reservoir

Ms Turner and Mr Dear will work on developing a process.

11 Late Items

11.1 Concave Mirror for Holland Crescent

Mr Benadie asked Waka Kotahi for more information who stated it was a low volume area and they would not be installed.

Cr Carter will contact Heather Lewer (Waka Kotahi) and discuss it further. Difficulty of cars/trucks parking on road. Will pursue this matter.

11.2 Correspondence Jim Howard - Marton

Looks after tree maintenance and beautification by Bulls Bridge, now unable to manage the tasks required.

Ms Whakatihi will follow up with the Bulls Community Trust.

11.3 Assessment Committees

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/021

BCC requests the reasoning and consultation process for the changes to the Assessment Committees be given.

Ms R Turner/Mr D Moratti. Carried

11.4 Greenspace

Still in consultation with local iwi.

Question: How will the build on the corner impact on the green space?

All members please Spread the news and have ideas for Greenspace.

11.5 Speed on Criterion St and Taumaihi St

Concern. We need some deterrent.

Perhaps a "Speed Cameras may be operating" sign may help or perhaps speed bumps.

RDC please look at traffic calming options within these areas.

11.6 Town Maps

We need a map to show where everything is.

Resolved minute number 21/BCC/022

BCC recommend that they build a static display of the streets and local facilities.

Ms N Harrison/Ms R Turner. Carried

11.7 Sale of the old Town Hall, Library, Plunket Rooms and Bus Stop

BCC would like an update on progress of the above.

Next meeting:

Ms Whakatihi – please send request to members for agenda items.

The meeting closed at 8.13 pm..

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Bulls Community Committee held on 13 October 2021.

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Chairperson