



Rangitikei District Council

Community Grants Sub-Committee Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 29 September 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

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Present: Cr Nigel Belsham (Chair)
Cr Fi Dalgety
Ms Carolyn Bates
Ms Michelle Fannin – *via Zoom*
Ms Karen Kennedy
Ms Laurel Mauchline Campbell
Mr Lequan Meihana
Ms Raewyn Turner

In attendance: Bonnie Clayton, Governance Administrator
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

1 Welcome

Councillor Belsham opened the meeting at 10.03am.

2 Apologies

Nil.

3 Members Conflicts of interest

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

Ms Fannin declared a Conflict of Interest in regards to the application from Taihape and District Agricultural and Pastoral Association.

4 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **20/CGSC/010** **File Ref**

That the minutes of the Community Grants Sub-Committee meeting held on 15 April 2020 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms Mauchline Campbell/Ms Bates. Carried

5 Consideration of Applications for the Event Sponsorship Scheme Round One – 2020/21

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number **20/CGSC/011** **File Ref** **3-GF-11-3**

That the report 'Consideration of applications for the Events Sponsorship Scheme Round One - 2020/21' to the 29 September 2020 Community Grants Sub-Committee be received.

Cr Dalgety/Ms Bates. Carried

Resolved minute number **20/CGSC/012** **File Ref**

That the following Project report forms be received:

- Taihape Community Development Trust – 2019 Taihape Christmas Parade
- Hunterville Huntaway Festival – Hunterville Huntaway Festival
- Marton and District Historical Society – 150th Anniversary of the naming of Marton
- Turakina Caledonian Society Inc – 156th Turakina Highland Games
- Marton Country Music Festival Inc – Marton Country Music Festival
- Taihape Older and Bolder – What Matters To You Day
- Rangitikei Shearing Sports Inc – Rangitikei Shearing Sports – Marton Show

- Taihape and District Agricultural and Pastoral Association Inc – Taihape A and P Show
- Project Marton Inc – Marton Christmas Parade – *tabled*

Ms Kennedy/Mr Meihana. Carried

The Committee discussed the merits of each application and individual funding recommendations.

Hunterville Huntaway Festival – Hunterville Huntaway Festival

The Committee were in support of this event and how it show cases the very best of the Rangitikei, bringing a diverse range of people. There was discussion around whether it should be self-funded by now.

Ms Mauchline Campbell expressed that it is impossible for some events to become self-sufficient, as costs would then be passed onto attendees, which would then become inaccessible for some.

Bulls and District Community Trust – Bulls Christmas Parade/Market Day/Whanau Day

The Committee were in favour of this event, noting that the extended activities of the Market Day and Whanau Day are great for bringing the community together. However did suggest that more funding be sought from local businesses.

River Valley Lodge – A Taste of the Rangitikei

The Committee were all in support of the new event, expressing that it is a fantastic idea to showcase the district and locally grown fare.

Turakina Caledonian Society Inc. – 157th Turakina Highland Games

The Committee were in support of the event, noting it is one of the oldest events in the district, which attracts attendees from all over New Zealand.

Taihape and District Agricultural and Pastoral Association – Taihape A & P Show

Ms Fannin declared a Conflict of Interest in this item, she had no part in assessing the application and was removed from zoom for the duration of the discussions on this item.

The Committee were all in favour of this event, expressing it is one of the traditional events still being held in the district and is the only surviving A & P Show in the Rangitikei, now in its 110th year. They did note that the advertising costs were high.

Doors Open Marton – Merry Night In Marton

The Committee were all in favour of this new event, noting it is great that the local schools are invited to be involved.

Marton Country Music Festival – Marton Country Music Festival

The Committee acknowledged the festival promotes the district by bringing many visitors from all around New Zealand to Marton, some who even go on to purchase homes in the town.

Taihape Community Development Trust – 2020 Taihape Christmas Parade

The Committee were all in favour of this event, noting it is great family day out that hosts people from around the district.

Rangitikei Shearing Sports Inc – Marton Show - Rangitikei Shearing Sports - Marton Show

The Committee were in favour of this long running event, noting the sport is losing profile and Council need to support it. The event brings the rural community together from around the district and further afield.

Project Marton Incorporated – Marton Christmas Parade

The Committee were in favour of this event, and noted the diversity it brings having the Christmas Carols. Committee members did question the need to pay a photographer and the need for an event co-ordinator, noting the organisation has staff and several volunteers.

Saint Joseph's Taihape PTA – Taihape Gumboot Gallop

The Committee were not in favour of approving funding for this application, on the basis of it being a fundraiser, which is an exclusion in the criteria.

The overall financial decisions were made either by an average of each assessors recommendation or the maximum of 50% of eligible costs.

Resolved minute number 20/CGSC/013 File Ref

That the Community Grants Sub-Committee approve the sponsorship of events listed below, and disperse the Events Sponsorship Scheme as outlined to successful applicants:

• Huntermville Huntaway Festival	\$2,800
• Bulls and District Community Trust	\$694
• River Valley Lodge	\$1,300
• Turakina Caledonian Society Inc.	\$2,500
• Taihape and District Agricultural and Pastoral Association	\$1,750
• Doors Open Marton	\$824
• Marton Country Music Festival	\$2,450
• Taihape Community Development Trust	\$457
• Rangitikei Shearing Sports Inc – Marton Show	\$1,500
• Project Marton Incorporated	\$1,400

That the Community Grants Sub-Committee decline sponsorship of the following event listed below, and update the applicant:

- Saint Joseph's Taihape PTA

Ms Turner/Ms Kennedy. Carried

His Worship the Mayor updated Committee members that Elected Members and staff have started work on the Long Term Plan, and that community pre-engagement will be happening over the next few months, with the Framing our Future promotion by attending community events to hear from the people.

The Committee agreed that more funding could be put into the Events Sponsorship Scheme, which would support current and new events.

Resolved minute number **20/CGSC/014** **File Ref**

That the Community Grants Sub-Committee recommend to Council that through the Long Term Plan process they increase the Events Sponsorship Scheme budget from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

Ms Fannin/Ms Mauchline Campbell. Carried

The Committee provided feedback on how the scheme needs to be further promoted in future to attract new events, and that there appears to be a grey area with GST and clarification on this for both applicants and assessors is required.

6 Next Meeting

Tuesday 24 November 2020, 10.00am

7 Meeting Closed

11.27am

Confirmed/Chair:

Date:
