## **Rangitikei District Council**





Minutes – Wednesday 9 March 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

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**Present:** Ms Anne George (Chair)

Ms Carolyn Bates Ms Jennifer Greener Ms Lani Peacock Ms Lorraine Pearson Mr Rob Snijders Cr Nigel Belsham

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

In attendance: Cr Cath Ash, Project Marton

Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst

#### 1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2 Apologies

That the apology for absence from Ms L Duncan be received.

Mr N Kane / Mr R Snijders. Carried

#### 3 Confirmation of minutes

#### Resolved minute number 16/MCC/005 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Marton Community Committee meeting held on 10 February 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms L Pearson / Mr N Kane. Carried

Mr Nick Kyuper had tendered his resignation from the Committee.

#### Resolved minute number 16/MCC/006 File Ref

That the Marton Community Committee accepts the resignation of Mr Nick Kyuper from the Committee.

Ms C Bates / Ms L Pearson. Carried

#### 4 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

The Committee noted that there were no recommendations from the previous meeting for which Council approval was sought.

## 5 Update from the Project Marton Co-ordinator

Cr Cath Ash, Project Marton, gave an update on the Harvest Fair to be held on 3 April 2016, the Community Garden held the third Sunday of each month in the future, Molly's Trolley which is available to share garden produce and requested input for future newsletters.

## **6** Update on town centre plan project

The 7-Day Makeover in February was highly successful, the Committee agreed that a 'Thank-You' letter should go to Andrew Shand to thank the team for their efforts. Ms C Bates agreed to action this.

The Committee queried when the library would be painted, who was responsible for any repairs to the area and safety concerns around children playing close to the road. The Committee was also informed that some of the participants had declined to be reimbursed

for the costs associated with the project and that McVerry Crawford Motors had pledged \$500 towards future projects. David Engwicht had offered to return for a future project at his own cost.

#### 7 Marton Youth Club

Mr N Kane confirmed that funding for the Marton Youth Club would continue until the end of April 2016. The Committee discussed various funding options for the Club and agreed to submit to Council's upcoming Annual Plan on the issue.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Committee that both the Ministry for Social Development and the Ministry for Youth Development had undergone changes. He would continue to advocate for better funding for our District.

## 8 Small Projects Grant Scheme (balance)

Cr Belsham informed the Committee that the balance of the Small Projects Grant Scheme can now be carried over for a maximum of one year.

# 9 Current infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

The Committee noted that this update would be circulated to members on 14 March 2016.

## 10 Proposed District Plan Change

Ms Gray narrated a presentation on the proposed District Plan Change and exclusions.

Resolved minute number 16/MCC/007 File Ref

That the presentation 'District Plan changes' be received.

Ms A George / Ms C Bates. Carried

#### 11 Late Items

- The Committee were advised that the Parks & Reserves Team had repaired and painted the seating outside Memorial Hall.
- The Committee queried when the volleyball net at Wilson Park would be fixed.
- His Worship the Mayor gave an outline of various activities in the District.
- The Committee queried why local unemployment was not targeted within the District. They were advised that 25 people were currently on a course targeting unemployment and 75% have obtained work at ANZCO.
- The Committee queried the opening hours of the toilets in Wilson Park as the lights appeared to be on constantly. His Worship the Mayor clarified that these lights were connected to the street lighting.

- The Committee queried how many homeless people there were in Marton/Rangitikei? They were advised that there was only one homeless person in the District.
- The Committee were informed that a Motor Home Association visitor had raved about the town.
- An update on signage was requested. Mr R Snijders advised that will circulate an update in due course.

## 12 Next Meeting

13 April 2016, 7.00 pm

## 13 Meeting closed – 8.45 pm

Confirmed/Chair:	 	 	
Date:			