

MINUTES

MARTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 12 April 2023

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

- Ms Carolyn Bates
- Ms Lyn Duncan
- Mr Peter Farrell
- Ms Jennifer Greener
- Ms Belinda Harvey-Larsen
- Ms Annie McDowell
- Ms Sally Moore
- Cr Dave Wilson

In attendance

- Cr Fi Dalgety
- Cr Greg Maghan
- Greg Smith, Chair Bulls Community Committee

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1 Welcome / Prayer

Carolyn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Apologies received by HWTM, Mr John Whittaker, Mr David Christison and Mr Mark Ballantyne.

3 Public Forum

Mr Nigel Belsham, on behalf of Marton Development Group (MDG), spoke about their plans to install a Christmas Tree on the Village Green.

A show of hands indicated that the majority in attendance indicated their agreement with the funding application.

A variety of other general aspects of MDGs activities were also discussed including the Velodrome and the Play Trail.

Resolved minute number

23/MCC/001

Marton Community Committee support the application from MDG for the Christmas Tree to the value of \$3,000 +GST.

Cr D Wilson/Mr P Farrell. Carried

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Everyone was reminded to declare any conflict at the time.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

The Order of Business was agreed to be flexible depending on discussions, but all items discussed are included here.

6 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

6.1 Follow-up Action Items from Marton Community Committee Meetings

Murray , the Parks Manager – has indicated he is happy to come to the next meeting. Carolyn will invite him.

Resolved minute number **23/MCC/002**

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Marton Community Committee Meetings' be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr P Farrell. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - April 2023

There were no updates or questions regarding the report.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/003

That the Chair's Report – April 2023 be received.

Cr D Wilson/Ms S Moore. Carried

Recommendation

That the Marton Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25, adopt either System A, or System B.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/004

That Carolyn Bates be appointed Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

Ms J Greener/Ms A McDowell. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/005

That Annie McDowell be appointed Deputy Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

Ms C Bates/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Mayor's Report - March 2023

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/006

That the Mayor's Report – March 2023 be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr P Farrell. Carried

8.2 Mayor's Report - February 2023

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/007

That the Mayor's Report – February 2023 be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr P Farrell. Carried

8.3 Emergency Planning

Carolyn asked what Council's plans were to ensure the district is able to better withstand any significant weather event.

Cr Wilson advised that nationally there are reports being compiled which will benefit all councils. He spoke of Mobile Plant and equipment which is satellite linked to overcome any lack in landline based communications. He also mentioned that a number of RDC Staff went to Hawkes Bay to help them.

8.4 Civic Awards

Carolyn enquired about unsuccessful nominees, had they been made aware of their nomination plus voiced disappointment that joint recipients only received one award.

Cr Wilson confirmed anyone nominated had been written to, so they were aware they had been nominated. He also shared that on the night the joint award winners had been presented with a single award, they had since been provided with their own award, and acknowledged that this had been an oversight in the planning of the event.

9 Reports for Information

9.1 RDC Engagement and Consultations

Crs Dalgety and Wilson spoke of the current consultation process. Committee members voiced frustration that they had not been made aware / provided with more information earlier.

It was agreed that Carolyn and Annie would compile and submit any topics on behalf of the Committee as part of the 2023-24 Consultations

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/008

That the report 'RDC Engagement and Consultations' be received.

Mr P Farrell/Ms S Moore. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/009

Marton Community Committee request that any future activities which involve consultation with any communities, the respective Committees or Boards, are provided with copies of any consultation documentation.

Ms C Bates/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

9.2 Funding Schemes Update - April 2023

Carolyn encouraged everyone to promote the various schemes. She also alerted that in the Annual Plan was a proposal to reduce the fund available for some purposes plus remove the Parks funding.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/010

That the Funding Schemes Update – April 2023 be received.

Ms S Moore/Ms J Greener. Carried

9.3 Small Projects Fund Update - April 2023

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/011

That the report ‘Small Projects Fund Update – April 2023’ be received.

Ms L Duncan/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

Marton Development Group

The Committee agreed to provide support to Marton Development Group, in their efforts to provide a Christmas Tree up to \$3,000 plus GST (\$3,450).

9.4 Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan

Cr Dalgety spoke of the Spatial Plan and encouraged everyone to take part in the public session on Saturday 15 April 2023 at the Village Green from 10am until noon.

Developments in the town were discussed in connection with Hereford Heights, Harveston and Arahina. It was suggested that the developers be invited to attend the next meeting to share their plans for future development work. Carolyn to arrange.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/012

That the report ‘Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan’ be received.

Ms J Greener/Ms A McDowell. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Meeting Frequency

It was agreed to continue to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of alternate months at 6pm, this date and time was preferred by the majority of those present.

10.2 Discussion Items

After Hours Service was discussed and the ongoing frustration that the team are not familiar with locations in the Rangitikei. RDC streets / names of towns / parks etc. No one (staff or councillors) at the meeting knew in detail what the procedures are regarding the handling of calls either routine or urgent.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/013

Marton Community Committee request details of: Where do afterhours calls go [where is the after hours call centre located]. How much does it cost. How is the service measured. What is the feedback system, if users are not happy.

Ms C Bates/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

10.3 Discussion Item – Mobile Home Waste Disposal Problems

The ongoing blockages at the Sewage Disposal point on King Street was raised, as this has been reported several times recently, but is continuing to be a problem for users. Overflowing sewage is a concern, particularly out of hours / at weekends.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/014

Marton Community Committee request details of: Who is responsible for clearing blockages at the Sewage Point at King Street, Marton. During hours as well as out of hours. [Is it RDC Staff or a Contractor?]

Ms S Moore/Ms C Bates. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/015

The Sewage Point at King Street, Marton has no signage to alert staff of any issues, can that be rectified, to ensure 24/7 reporting is available.

Ms S Moore/Ms C Bates. Carried

10.4 Youth Awards

Carolyn encouraged everyone to nominate appropriate youths for an award.

10.5 Planning Session

It was agreed that 10 May 2023 would be a suitable date to hold a Planning Session for committee members. Carolyn will arrange a location and advise volunteer members.

10.6 Wilson Park Development Group

Sally advised that work was about to start to install the walkway into Wilson Park.

10.7 Future Developments

Carolyn shared that she had had an opportunity to talk to Hayden Gould and Bain Simpson of Rangitikei Developments. They spoke of their intentions to name streets in the Harveston Development - to use names of locals to that area, then significant members of the community if needed.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Marton Community Committee held on .

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Chairperson