
MINUTES
of the
MOTUEKA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
held
4.00 pm, Tuesday, 15 May 2018
at
Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka

Present: B Maru (Chairperson), Board Members R Horrell, C H Hutt and B Dowler
Councillors P L Canton, P H Hawkes and D J Ogilvie

In Attendance: Community Development Manager (S Edwards), Senior Customer Services Officer (V Simpson), Reserves and Facilities Manager (R Hollier), Youth Council Representative (M Takahashi) and Youth Council Representative (A Goodall)

Part Attendance: Senior Horticultural Officer (B Wilkes) and Policy Advisor (A Gerraty)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

Chair Maru welcomed everybody to the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Mary Lafrentz

Mary Lafrentz spoke about the Friendly Town Agreement between Motueka and Kiyosato in Japan which was first established in 1989. On 2 September 2018 there will be a 30 year celebration of this relationship held in Japan with Mayor Kushibiki.

The group from Motueka attending the celebration would like to give a gift to Kiyosato of a matai carving by John Mutu. The quote for the carving is \$1670. Mrs Lafrentz would like the Motueka Community Board to contribute to the cost of the carving.

Chair Maru said that Mayor Kempthorne has indicated some financial support and for Mrs Lafrentz to make a Discretionary Fund application. Councillor Hawkes declared his support and acknowledged the strength of our friendly town relationship with Kiyosato.

Jim Butler

Mr Butler spoke about becoming a member of GORP (Grumpy Old Rate Payers Party) now that he is no longer with Grey Power.

Mr Butler thanked David Ogilvie for his recent article in the Nelson Mail.

Mr Butler expressed concerns about the location of the proposed Tudor Street pedestrian crossing.

Ian Williamson

Mr Williamson suggested using the Tasman District Council's publication "Newslite" as a more effective way of keeping the community informed about matters discussed at the Motueka Community Board meetings.

Mr Williamson spoke about the proposed uprights for the Motueka entrance signs, he has received quotes from a supplier. Tasman District Councils Senior Roading Engineer, Steve Elkington has indicated that he has no difficulties with the lights.

Mr Williamson made a suggestion to join Manoy Street and Talbot Street and enable angle parking on each side of the road to relocate freedom campers from the currently used site at Decks Reserve.

Mr Williamson also spoke about the need for a heavy truck bypass and a new bridge. He wrote to MP Hon Julie Anne Genter about this issue and has received a letter in return. He also has contacted Mr Andrew James the Senior Safety Engineer for the New Zealand Transport Agency who said that if it aligns with priorities of the Government and finance he is confident action will be taken.

David Armstrong

David Armstrong a representative of the Kaifest Trust informed the Board the accountability form has been completed for the \$20,000 special projects fund granted by the Tasman District Council.

Kaifest received \$46,000 in total for the project from a combination of the Tasman District Council, local iwi, trusts and commercial sector. A figure of \$33,000 was spent on the cost of the festival but he indicated they could do it for under \$30,000 in the future with less start up costs being required. There is a \$13,000 surplus for starting next year's Kaifest which is scheduled for 7 April 2019.

The access at Decks Reserve for the Kaifest festival proved to be very problematic and they are currently looking at two alternative sites

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Hawkes stated an interest in the Kiyosato funding due to his involvement with the Friendly Towns Committee.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Board Member Hutt/Cr Ogilvie
MCB18-05-7

That the minutes of the Motueka Community Board meeting held on Tuesday, 17 April 2018, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

6 PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Youth Council Presentation of Recent Survey and Data

May Takahashi and Amber Goodall from the Tasman Youth Council spoke to the Board about the results of a survey carried out in February 2018.

The survey was completed by 150 Motueka youth. Two questions the survey asked were:

1. "What do you like about Motueka?"
2. "What would you like to see changed or added to better Motueka for the youth?"

The most responses to question one was appreciation of the cleanliness and accessibility to our beaches and rivers. Other areas the youth liked about Motueka were the Recreation Centre, Bike Tracks, Park/Playgrounds, Shops, Cinema, Skate Park, Community Support and the Library

The responses to question two included more rubbish bins especially near McDonalds, extra seating at parks, cleaner public toilets that provide soap and better lighting, drinking fountains, outdoor gyms consisting of fitness equipment and playgrounds for older youth.

The comments regarding the Skate Park were that it is becoming old and some of the dirt jumps are eroded, they also said there is not enough lighting provided.

Board member Hutt informed the youth council representatives that there is a Facebook page called Motueka/Richmond Jobs where local businesses advertise current positions and vacancies.

Chair Maru asked Miss Takahashi and Miss Goodall if they could suggest projects the youth council could lead, Miss Takahashi referred to the Thorp Bush Project and Youth Council advocacy and governance.

Chair Maru thanked the Youth Councillors for their attendance and initiative.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Chairman's Report

Chairman Maru spoke to the report contained in the agenda and spoke to the following items:

Ex cyclone Gita

Board member Dowler advised the Board the initial 13 weeks of funding from government has been extended to 20 weeks.

Board member Hutt spoke about the fundraiser which 120 people attended raising \$3,200. The funds raised are going to be used to replace people's firewood washed away in the cyclone.

Freedom Camping

Board Member Hutt supported Mr Williamson's suggestion to relocate the freedom campers to Manoy / Talbot Street due to there being showers available nearby.

Showers do not need to be provided to freedom campers only toilet facilities.

Chair Maru would like the Board to consider carefully the next potential site for freedom camping to ensure it is the right choice.

Councillor Ogilvie complimented the Board on the work they have done in relation to freedom camping noted that the parking lines at Decks Reserve have worked.

Motueka Community Board Special Projects

Chair Maru requested the Board Members to start thinking about potential special projects, he also asked the Board to consider the existing projects in particular those that had been there for some time. Chair Maru will arrange a workshop to discuss the projects prior to the Board's next meeting.

The Board agreed to add the Carousel proposal to the list.

Councillor Hawkes suggested a secondary area for freedom camping as a special project.

Susan Edwards confirmed the Council agreed to contribute funds through the Long Term Plan for the War Memorial Upgrade and will confirm the amount and whether the Board's contribution is still required.

Other matters that the Board will consider going on the list include:

1. Skate Park upgrade.
2. Footpath from Pah to Queen Victoria Street by the Marae.

3. Riwaka Croquet Club upgrade of the clubrooms, this was declined by the Council as it did not meet the criteria. The Chairperson of the Club to is going to apply through the special projects fund for a portion of what is required.
4. New Motueka sign at the Northern Entrance.
5. Bike stands and cycle lanes.

Motueka Community Board's Long Term Plan Submission

This report was taken as read

Anzac Day

Chair Maru thanked Heather Spiers for organising the Anzac Wreath.

Chair Maru acknowledged the speeches made by Adrian Humphries and the High School Head Students.

The Board asked that a letter be sent to Motueka High School acknowledging the Head Students speeches at the Motueka Dawn Parade.

Motueka Central Business Area

A service request has been entered for cleaning up the leaves.

Single Transferable Voting versus First Past the Post

Chair Maru noted that the Council's Policy Officer, Sandra Hartley is preparing a report on this for next month's meeting.

Motueka Litter Cart

Chair Maru noted the Litter Cart is in the budget for Council to sign off in the Long Term Plan.

Items from the Public Forum

Board Member Hutt urged Board Members to write a letter to Damien O'Connor and Andrew James from the New Zealand Transport Agency expressing the concern for pedestrian safety and their disappointment about the delay in the High Street and bridge upgrade project. Chair Maru noted that Council has written to the Agency and will obtain a copy of the letter and distribute it to Board members.

Councillor Ogilvie spoke of the four key points in the Government's policy statement which are access, safety, value for money and environmental impacts of the project. The letter from Council says that this meets all of the criteria.

Manoy/Talbot Street link flagged in last Long term Plan but not early in Long Term Plan currently in year 13.

Board Member Hutt asked if Council could ask the New Zealand Transport Agency to fund the car parking. Other Board members noted that it was unlikely that the Agency would fund the car parking, as it is not a State Highway.

It was noted that the proposal to link Manoy and Talbot Streets would require land purchase from the Ministry of Education and Wakatu Incorporation.

The Board supported the proposal to provide discretionary funding for the Kiyosato carving project.

Ms Edward agreed to follow up with Community Relations staff regarding Mr Williamson's suggestion to use Newsline to advise the public of the outcomes of the Motueka and Golden Bay Community Board meetings.

Moved Chairperson Maru/Board Member Hutt
MCB18-05-8

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Chairman's Report RMCB18-05-02.

CARRIED

7.2 Financial Report

Moved Cr Ogilvie/Deputy Chair Horrell
MCB18-05-9

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Financial Report RMCB18-04-03.

CARRIED

7.3 Action List

Moved Board Member Dowler/Deputy Chair Horrell
MCB18-05-10

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Action List RMCB18-05-04 report.

CARRIED

7.4 Special Projects Action List

The Board discussed the items on the special project lists. It was noted that the Trust to work on the historic wharves has now been set up and the heat pumps for the Motueka Museum have been purchased.

Moved Board Member Dowler/Deputy Chair Horrell
MCB18-05-11

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Special Projects Action List RMCB18-05-05 report.

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8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Correspondence May 2018

The Board noted the correspondence. Chair Maru is to write to Ross Connochie to acknowledge his letter on the War Memorial Upgrade.

**Moved Cr Hawkes/Board Member Hutt
MCB18-05-12**

That the Motueka Community Board receives the Correspondence RMCB18-05-06 report.

CARRIED

9 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

The meeting concluded at 5.35pm

Date Confirmed:

Chair: