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| Title: | Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee |
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| Date: | Wednesday 25 May 2005 |
| Time: | 10.00 am |
| Venue: | Library Meeting Room, Queen Street, Richmond |
| Present: | Crs P K O'Shea (Chair), E E Henry, S G Bryant, N Riley |
| In Attendance: | Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy), Community |
| | Recreation Advisor (M Tasman-Jones), Corporate / |
| | Engineering Administrator (V M Gribble) |

Moved Crs Bryant/Henry CS050/05/13

That an apology from Cr N Riley for lateness and Cr T King for absence be sustained. Carried

1 Receipt of Minutes – 23 March 2005

Moved Crs Henry/Bryant CS05/05/14

That the minutes of the meeting of the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee held on 23 March 2005, containing resolutions numbered CS05/03/26 to CS05/03/34 be received. Carried

2 Project Status

2.1 Lake Rotoiti Community Hall

Mr P Borlase was in attendance for discussion on this item.

Mr Borlase said there are about 35 minor jobs being worked through with the builder before the code of compliance can be issued. The Hall Committee is awaiting \$100,000 from the Ministry of Education. It is hoped that completion will be by the end of June 2005.

Cr Riley arrived at the meeting at 10.15 am.

Cr O'Shea said it has been suggested that a Community Services meeting be held in the Lake Rotoiti Community Hall later in the year.

Mr Borlase left the meeting.

2.2 Rugby Park Grandstand, Motueka

Mr T Dodge, Arrow Consultancy, who are doing project management was in attendance for discussion on this item, along with Mr B Dowler and Mr G Sturgeon from Good Sports Motueka.

The Subcommittee discussed the latest report and budget from the Construction Managers which had been distributed to Subcommittee members prior to the meeting.

Cr O'Shea suggested that an estimate of volunteer work by Good Sports Motueka be included in the report that goes to Council as that will count towards the community's contribution.

Mr Dowler said Council is holding \$50,000 on behalf of Good Sports Motueka and they have \$60,000 from Lion Foundation that has to be given to the project by a specific date. They have 700 seats at \$100 per seat, with 34 pledges already signed off. They are not collecting the money until they have the official go ahead. \$80,000 is still needed. There will be advertising signage sold which will go around the fields.

Cr O'Shea said in order to get the project approved through Council, full documentation will be required on the community contribution.

Cr O'Shea suggested naming of the facility needs to be considered to reflect the use of the facility and this was agreed to be Good Sports Motueka.

Moved Crs Bryant/Henry CS05/05/15

That the Grants and Facilities Rate Subcommittee recommends to Council that the Rugby Park Grandstand Motueka project proceed, based on the revised costings contained in the progress report dated 18 May 2005, subject to the community fundraising meeting \$260,000. Carried

Messrs Dodge, Sturgeon and Dowler left the meeting at 10.45 am.

Mr Kennedy said name suggestions will be put forward to the Council for consideration when the promoters of the project make their presentation.

2.3 Moutere Hills Community Centre and Sports Complex

Mr Kennedy tabled a breakdown of expenditure for this project to 24 May 2005. Overall the project is well within budget, with gib boarding commencing at the site presently. He said any additions will be well within the contingency amount. Their fundraising target is \$550,000 and so far they have raised \$400,000. The building programme is still on target and there are no delays forecast in the immediate future.

2.4 Murchison Sport, Recreation and Cultural Centre

Mr Kennedy said a further public meeting has been held and the project has been revisited because of costs involved. Palmer & Palmer Architects will come back with plans for a single-storey construction which can be staged, and these will be available in June 2005. He suggested that a project manager be appointed to this project very early on and advised that he and Mr Ward would prepare a report on project management for a future meeting.

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2.5 Motueka Swimming Pool

Mr Kennedy said no further action has been taken on this issue as Council is still waiting for a decision on the availability of the land adjacent to Rugby Park before a final decision can be made on the siting of the pool.

Cr Henry said unless a recommendation is made by the external groups, then Council should make a decision. She said the situation is not fair on the people proposing the pool.

Mr Kennedy said the report from Strategic Leisure recommended that it should be on Motueka Recreation Reserve site and Council had agreed to this, subject to the Rugby Park option being investigated. It was suggested Mr Dickinson be asked to present a report to Council on the siting of the pool.

Cr Riley said if we haven't received the information back we should be making a recommendation to Council.

Moved Crs O'Shea/Riley CS05/05/16

That in view of the fact that no further information has been received on the Rugby Park site for the Motueka Pool, the subcommittee recommends to Council that the project proceed on the eastern side of Motueka Recreation Centre in accordance with resolution FN04/090/14. Carried

2.6 Gateway Golden Bay

Mr Kennedy advised that a meeting with advocates for the project has been held. For the project to progress they need to spend money to provide plans at a cost of, approximately \$4,000 and employ a quantity surveyor at \$1,000. The current community facilities rate criteria allows Council to assist with the preliminary costs associated with a significant project.

Cr Riley considers the project has got merit, subject to figures being obtained. He said spending \$5,000 for plans would enable the group to determine whether the community can afford it.

Cr Bryant said if there is not support at this stage then Council shouldn't be spending any money. He said one of the criteria is that there is community support for a proposed project.

Cr Henry asked if the project was essential and said it is basically a gallery for artists to exhibit in and finds it difficult to justify. She suggested a vacant shop or another space in Golden Bay could be used. She would prefer to turn it down at this stage which may force the Golden Bay community to come back to Council and it may force Golden Bay Promotions to have another look at the proposal. To spend \$500,000 to build the Art Showcase is not good stewardship.

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Cr O'Shea said the Subcommittee is concerned about how it fits into the community facilities concept and unsure of community support and the scope of the work.

Moved Crs Riley/Henry CS05/05/17

That the Grants and Facilities Rate Subcommittee is unable to support financial input at this stage because it is concerned about how it fits into the community facilities concept and unsure of community support and the scope of the work. Carried

2.7 Golden Bay Performing Arts Centre

The agenda contained proposals for the construction of a Performing Arts Centre in Golden Bay.

Mr Kennedy said he would advise the proponents of the Centre if they wish to proceed with the project that an application would be required no later than 30 November in order for it to meet the criteria associated with the community facilities rate.

Cr Riley said he was very supportive of this project and the building could be multipurpose.

Mr Kennedy advised that he and Cr Riley would meet with the proponents of the project.

3 Fundraising Seminar

Mr Kennedy advised that Judene Edgar had approached Council for financial support for her to attend the seminar "Developing Leadership for Major Gifts" to be held in Auckland in early July 2005. Course fees, airfares and accommodation would be approximately \$1,600.

Cr Bryant said the expectation would be that she would be available for Councilrelated work.

Cr Henry considered there was value in a person outside the organisation having input into the costs themselves.

Moved Crs Bryant/Henry CS05/05/18

That funding of \$1,300 be provided to J Edgar towards the cost of attending the **Developing Leadership for Major Gifts Seminar in Auckland on 5 – 7 July 2005.** Carried

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Moved Crs Henry/Bryant CS05/05/19

That the Manager's report be received.

Carried

4 Funding

Co-ordination between various committees of Council who are in charge of allocating grants needs to be looked at, so funding from other departments of Council is known before allocations are made.

5 Community Grants Guide and Application

Mr M Tasman-Jones spoke to his report contained in the agenda. The report stated that \$70,000 is made available to the district museums to assist with funding for projects and developments. This support is not consistent with the Community Grants criteria as capital works cannot be supported. The funding would be better suited to being a formalised agreement directly between the Council and individual museums. The funding arrangements would need to be a mix of committed and discretionary funds to reflect both the ongoing costs, yet allow applications for one-off project costs.

Mr Kennedy said we could have a completely separate form for the Museum funding. He said before decisions are made we need to know that the annual plan has been approved.

Cr O'Shea said grants from rates round doesn't fit with the museums financial years so it is difficult to do budget projections.

Cr Henry said if Council had a three year agreement with them, that subject to the annual plan being approved, museums would know what they are going to receive for the next three years.

Moved Crs Henry/Riley CS05/05/20

That museums be separated from community grants and the Museums category be removed from the application form. The Community Recreation Advisor to liaise with the museums and report back to the next meeting on how future funding rounds will be structured. Carried

The subcommittee reviewed the draft of the Community Grants guide and application form.

Cr Bryant said it should be made clear that funding is not provided for capital works or salaries.

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6 Sailing Away Scholarships

Mr M Tasman-Jones spoke to the report contained in the agenda. He said there are other opportunities available apart from Spirit of New Zealand.

Mr Kennedy said he and Mr Tasman-Jones consider the scholarship should be changed to include such things as Outward Bound.

Moved Crs Henry/Bryant CS05/05/21

That Tasman District Council introduces a \$200Ship scholarship with criteria to ensure the fund is used to enable Tasman youth to reach their potential. The scholarship will be up to 25% of project cost limited to a maximum of \$200. The broadening of criteria will allow support for a larger range of development opportunities to suit the range of youth in Tasman. The fund will focus on skill, leadership and personal development courses and opportunities to enable young people to reach their potential. Carried

SPARC Rural Travel Fund 7

The Subcommittee considered applications received for funding from the SPARC Rural Travel Fund which were included in the agenda.

Moved Crs Henry/Riley CS05/05/22

That the following grants be approved from the SPARC Rural Travel Fund:

| Name of Organisation | \$ |
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| Tapawera Netball Club Motueka High School Rugby Club Rangers Soccer Club Murchison Rugby Club Motueka & Districts Amateur Swimming Club Golden Bay Association Football Club Murchison Netball Club Tapawera Rugby Football Club | 1,000 770 500 1,000 550 1,250 1,200 500 |
| Total Carried | 6,770 |

8 Grants from Rates

8.1 **Murchison Sport Recreation and Cultural Centre**

This type of activity will be considered when the project is further advanced.

8.2 Short Marketing

The funds are requested to produce the first Cultural and Heritage Trail brochure for the Top of the South, featuring almost all of the museums in the area.

Cr O'Shea was supportive of the project but wasn't sure how it fitted into the funding criteria.

Cr Henry said it is a commercial marketing operation and considered the cost was excessive.

Cr O'Shea noted that the brochure covered all the district museums but wondered whether the museums would be contributing as well as Council also supports them.

Moved Crs Bryant/O'Shea CS05/05/23

That \$1,000 be granted to Short Marketing, subject to clarification of the levels that the museums themselves, including the Provincial Museum, are paying. Carried

8.3 Waimea College Shakespeare Group

The application is made to assist travel to Wellington to the National Shakespeare finals as a result of a win in the Regional Shakespeare Festival.

Moved Crs Bryant/Henry CS05/05/24

That Waimea College Shakespeare Group be granted \$1,031. Carried

8.4 Motueka Recreation Centre

The application was made to fund repairs to the events caravan. Mr Tasman-Jones said the events caravan is used for Santa Parades, and other community events.

Moved Crs Bryant/Riley CS05/05/25

That Motueka Recreation Centre be granted \$2,500 for the Events Caravan. Carried

Moved Crs Henry/O'Shea CS05/05/26

That with several applications pending decisions, the Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee requests that the current year's balance be held over in reserve for decisions to be made early in the new 2005/2006 financial year. Carried

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The meeting concluded at 1.17 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: