MINUTES

TITLE: Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee

DATE: Thursday 3 August 2006

TIME: 3.30 pm

VENUE: Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street,

Richmond

PRESENT: Crs P K O'Shea (Chair), N Riley, S G Bryant, E E Henry,

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor J C Hurley, Crs E M O'Regan, J L Inglis,

R G Currie, E J Wilkins, S J Borlase and T E Norriss Corporate Services Manager (D G Ward), Minute

Secretary (V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs O'Shea/Henry CS06/07/01

THAT apologies from Cr King for absence, be sustained. CARRIED

1 FACILITIES RATE FORECAST

Mr Ward spoke to the report contained in the agenda. The balance at 30 June 2006 was \$564,324. At June 2007, the projected total is \$533,425.

Cr Wilkins asked how much of the funds are communities expected to have in the bank before a project can start.

Mr Ward said it is a project by project call. The community raise a minimum of 20%. As a subcommittee you need to satisfy yourselves that they can meet their 20%.

Moved Crs Henry/O'Shea CS06/07/02

THAT the Facilities Rate Forecast to 30 June 2007 be received. CARRIED

2 MINUTES

2.1 Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee, 12 April 2006

Moved Crs Riley/Henry CS06/07/03

THAT the minutes of the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee meeting held on 12 April 2006, containing resolutions numbered CS06/04/01 to CS06/04/13 be received.

CARRIED

2.2 Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee, 13 June 2006

Moved Crs Riley/Henry CS06/07/04

THAT the minutes of the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee meeting held on 13 June 2006, containing resolutions numbered CS06/06/01 to CS06/06/02 be received.

CARRIED

3 PROJECT UPDATE

3.1 Motorsports

Mr Kennedy gave a resume of investigations to date on the site for a proposed motorsports park at Hira.

Cr Currie said we've got to the stage where Lloyd Kennedy (TDC) and Andrew Petheram (NCC) need to do negotiating on behalf of the subcommittee.

Cr Norriss said while work is going on with the Hira site, Tapawera has not been excluded. There is a three-person committee looking through consent issues that could affect the site and lease issues. It has been made very clear, although we have approved up to \$600,000 in our LTCCP, there will not be anything spent until we come up with something definite. The site we are now looking at would be a regional facility, funded by a regional formula. The \$600,000 included in Council's LTCCP is for procurement of a site, or lease of a site and provision of some infrastructure. If the groups want to put in a track, they will be raising the funds, not the Council.

Mr Kennedy said if the Hira site goes ahead, it will need to go to Council Enterprise Subcommittee for consideration.

Cr Norriss left the meeting at 3.55 pm.

3.2 Saxton Field Development

Mr Kennedy said the development stage being worked on presently is the major cricket oval and athletics area. At the last working group meeting they reviewed the ten year plan that was done four years ago and put costings on it. Nelson City Council engineering staff have been asked to re-look at the whole programme for the balance of the term and they may have to push the timetable out because of cost increases. The road from the netball courts to the cricket oval is under construction. A new main entrance will be formed into Saxton Field. Development of soccer fields between Main Road, Stoke and the cricket oval is planned for next year.

Cr Borlase questioned the need for the large amount of soccer fields.

Mr Kennedy said there are a huge number of teams playing soccer and Richmond Soccer will be shifting to Saxton Field from Jubilee Park. He said no provision has been made for rugby on Saxton Field.

Cr Currie asked what is happening to the radio mast.

Mr Kennedy said the radio mast is staying there at the moment. Different sites have been investigated. Radio New Zealand own the land it sits on.

3.3 Theatre Royal

Mayor Hurley said there are alternatives being looked at.

3.4 Grace Church

Mr Kennedy is working on a heads of agreement that would cover the facility. The proposal is to form a Trust that will manage the facility and the Trust will then hire it out and the church will be a user, like any other user.

3.5 Tasman Tennis Centre

Mr Kennedy said the changing rooms are well underway and planning for three extra courts has commenced.

3.6 Motueka Pool Complex

Mr Kennedy said the meeting organised by the Lions Club was attended by about 100 people. Voting papers will be in mail boxes Monday/Tuesday next week, with a closing date of 30 August 2006.

Cr Inglis said the public meeting was a positive meeting and if the pool can be afforded by the community it would be a great asset for the town.

Cr Wilkins congratulated Mr Kennedy on his presentation to the meeting. She said the Swimming Pool Committee also gave a good presentation.

3.7 Moutere Sport Complex

Mr Ward said the final sign off has occurred and the project has been a very successful undertaking. He noted the facility is being used six days a week.

3.8 Lake Rotoiti Community Hall

The final cost of this project was just over \$800,000. The community has raised approximately 37% of the cost. Mr Ward said that this is a very good example of community fundraising from a small community, supportive of a significant project in its area. He recommended that no further loan be raised for this project and that the sum of \$57,500, being the balance of the project, be charged against the balance of the Facilities Rate.

Cr O'Regan reminded Council of the history of the Lake Rotoiti Community Hall. He said that over and above the identified construction cost, the committee has spent another \$43,000 in furnishing and fitting out the hall in the last year.

Moved Crs Bryant/Henry FN06/08/05

THAT the balance of funding for the Lake Rotoiti Community Hall be met by an increase to the existing loan of \$350,000, and the final sum be confirmed at the next Grants and Community Facilities rate Subcommittee meeting.

CARRIED

3.9 Motueka Grandstand

The Committee have got the 2006 calendar year to complete fundraising. They are currently negotiating for sponsorship of the grandstand and scoreboard. Approximately 330 seats have been sold and there are only 18 advertising hoardings left to sponsor.

3.10 Trafalgar Park

Council has not received any further information or request for money.

3.11 Golden Bay

Mr Ward said he was conscious of comments that there didn't seem to be an appropriate facilities rate-funded project in Golden Bay. He said he would like to get something in the annual plan for next year.

Cr Borlase said he was approached by a church minister wanting to build a new church near the present playhouse and they would like to see something like Grace Church go ahead in Golden Bay.

Moved Crs Henry/Riley CS06/08/06

THAT the Projects Update report be received. CARRIED

Mayor Hurley said there has been good public buy in and understanding of the facilities rate. We shouldn't be complacent about that, and referred to debate on rating across New Zealand. The detractors are saying we are mortgaging children, but they are enjoying the facilities today.

Cr Bryant suggested the Community Facilities be adopted by Community Services, but Grants be kept separate. He considered it is important that full Council be involved and be aware of what is happening through the Facilities Rate.

Mr Ward supported the suggestion and said it is prudent that Community Facilities be referred to a committee of full Council.

Moved Cr O'Shea/Henry CS06/08/07

THAT the Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee requests the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to consider transferring the Community Facilities Rate part of this Subcommittee to Community Services.

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 4.35 pm.	
Chair:	Date: