

# MINUTES

**TITLE:** Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee  
**DATE:** Tuesday 27 March 2007  
**TIME:** 1.00 pm  
**VENUE:** Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond  
**PRESENT:** Crs P K O'Shea (Chair), E E Henry, S G Bryant, T B King, N Riley  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Crs R G Currie, T E Norriss, R G Kempthorne, Acting Chief Executive (L L Kennedy), Corporate Services Manager (D G Ward), Minute Secretary (V M Gribble)

## APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Bryant/O'Shea  
CS07/03/01

**THAT** apologies for lateness from Crs E E Henry and T B King be sustained.  
**CARRIED**

## 1 RECEIPT OF MINUTES

### 1.1 Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee – 3 August 2006

It was noted that resolution FN06/08/05 was incorrect and should be amended to read "That no further loan be raised and the sum of \$57,500, being the balance of the project, be charged against the balance of the Facilities Rate".

Moved Crs Riley/O'Shea  
CS07/03/02

**THAT** the minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 3 August 2006, containing resolutions CS06/08/01 to CS06/08/07, as amended, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.  
**CARRIED**

## 2 FACILITIES RATE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND PROJECTION

Mr Ward tabled and spoke to the report entitled "Facilities Rate Financial Statement and Projection".

Crs King and Henry arrived at the meeting.

Cr Henry advised that an informal survey had been undertaken in Richmond and in the eyes of the community a performing arts centre is seen as having a very high priority.

**Moved Crs Bryant/Riley  
CS07/03/03**

**THAT the Facilities Rate Financial Statement Projection report be received.  
CARRIED**

## **2 PROJECTS UPDATE**

### **2.1 Saxton Field Development**

Phase II of the Saxton Field is nearing completion, with a total cost of \$2.5 million. Phase III totalling approximately \$1.3 million is currently undergoing final design. Once the final design is completed, tenders for Phase III will be called.

### **2.2 Trafalgar Park**

Mr Kennedy reported on a meeting with Doug Sharland, Tasman Rugby Union with regard to revised costings and more details on the temporary seating proposal. The appropriate seating would be \$456,000 for 3,000 and to cover 740 would be another \$170,000. He said Tasman Rugby Union have been asked to talk to NZ Rugby Union to see if Sportspark Motueka could be used for rugby games should Trafalgar park not meet the NZ Rugby Union's requirements.

Cr O'Shea asked about the community contribution towards the seating.

Mr Kennedy said the seats could be hired and any income from them would become the community contribution and be credited to the Facilities Rate Account.

Cr Norriss said if Council made this commitment and Nelson City Council doesn't come up with their share, there are advantages to using Sportspark Motueka. Three-phase power has been put in for future lights and they are looking at an extra 200 seats at each end.

Cr King said Nelson City Council has a resolution on their books and they are convinced that the media box is of great importance. There may be a problem with them being able to change the allocation of money.

Cr Henry was also concerned about the community contribution for this project.

Cr Kempthorne said what is proposed is a way forward. The cumulative figure for renting the seats could add up to more than the 20% community contribution He would like to see communication with Tasman Regional Sports Trust to check out their options for seating.

Cr O'Shea is not convinced the Facilities Rate is the right way to fund this work.

Cr Riley said the working party was asked to look at temporary seating. It is not just for one particular sport, but in the main it will be used for rugby. The working party could look at other ways to raise the money to buy the seats if there is a problem with

using the Facilities Rate. There is a need for communications with Nelson City Council before any commitment is made.

Cr O'Shea requested a detailed explanation of how this fits the criteria.

Mr Kennedy reminded Councillors that the criteria for the Facilities Rate emphasises that projects must be for the benefit of the people of the community. The criteria also says "may" require a 20% community contribution.

Cr O'Shea said Council will need to determine how best to discuss these matters with Nelson City Council.

Crs Norriss, Currie and Bryant left the meeting at 2.50 pm.

### **2.3 All Sports Complex, Saxton Field**

A sum of \$3.2 million has been committed to this project and a recent report from the project committee indicates that their fundraising is on track and the project should commence during 2007/2008.

### **2.4 Murchison Sport Recreation and Cultural Centre**

Tony Peacock and the Committee of the Murchison Sport Recreation and Cultural Centre were in attendance for discussion on this item.

Mr Ward said a project management contract will be signed with Arrow International shortly and project meetings held each week. Tenders are proposed to be called in mid to late May 2007, with the project commencing July 2007 and official opening at the Murchison Show on 16 February 2008.

The concept report has been received which estimates the cost to be \$2.9 million. Mr Ward advised that two years inflation needs to be added to the cost of \$2.4 million and the market hasn't been tested yet for contractor prices.

### **Moved Crs Bryant/King CS07/03/04**

**THAT the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee endorses the work of the Murchison Sport Recreation and Cultural Centre Committee and project managers to date and the project continue through to tender stage and the project managers and chairman report the tenders received back to this Subcommittee for the June 2007 meeting.**

**CARRIED**

### **2.5 Tasman Tennis Centre**

Council has received advice from the Tasman Tennis Centre that they wish to proceed with the third stage of their complex development at a proposed cost to Council of \$174,867. This stage encompasses full construction of three tennis courts,

fencing, electrical work and an appropriate contingency. It excludes lighting and a decoturf surface which will be completed at a later date by the Centre.

**Moved Crs Henry/Riley**  
**CS07/03/05**

**THAT the Grants and Facilities Rate Subcommittee resolves to fund the sum of \$174,867 (to be funded by loan) towards stage three of the Tasman Tennis Centre project.**

**CARRIED**

Cr Henry said discussion needs to be held about how Council will deal with cost price index and inflation.

**Moved Crs King/Henry**  
**CS07/03/06**

**THAT the Projects Update report be received.**

**CARRIED**

### **3 TRAFALGAR CENTRE DEVELOPMENT – SPLIT FUNDING**

The Regional Funding Forum held on 1 September 2006 resolved to recommend to the two Councils that Option 2 be the preferred option for the development of the southern end of the Trafalgar Centre.

Mr Kennedy said the funding split is Nelson City Council \$3,972,132 and Tasman District Council \$527,868.

Cr King was reluctant to support the project as it is a patch up job on the facility to enable its continued use for what it is currently used for. The \$5 million may not need to be spent if the other projects in the pipeline come to fruition.

Cr Henry said the Trafalgar Centre was built with the idea of fulfilling so many purposes but it hasn't happened and suggest that a timeline be put on any offer.

Cr O'Shea said this is a regional facility and she cannot see anything on the horizon to replace the Trafalgar Centre for things like Stage Challenge. The public of Tasman District has had good value from the facility.

**Moved Crs Henry/Riley**  
**CS07/03/07**

**THAT the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee recommend to Council that up to \$530,000 be included in the draft 2008/2009 Annual Plan towards the capital improvements to the Trafalgar Centre and that this be subject to Nelson City Council completing the work by December 2010.**

**CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 3.15 pm.

Chair:

Date: