MINUTES

TITLE: Motueka Community Board DATE: Tuesday 14 October 2008

TIME: 4.30 pm

VENUE: Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka
PRESENT: D J Ogilvie (Chair), D Eddy (Deputy Chair), T Forde
IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor R G Kempthorne, Cr E J Wilkins, Corporate

Services Manager (M W Staite), Senior Customer Services (L Quartly), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

APOLOGY

Moved Board Members Ogilvie/Forde MK08/10/01

THAT an apology from P Hawkes for absence be sustained. CARRIED

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 R Hellyer

Mr Hellyer expressed concern about the Board criticising the Council for not spending more money in Motueka.

1.2 M Bier, Marahau Ratepayers

Mrs Bier asked if the Marahau fire station siting has been decided on and asked if there was progress on the foreshore corridor. She also expressed concern about the grass mowing around the wetland area at Marahau.

Mr Staite undertook to find out about progress on the foreshore corridor and put in a service request about the grass mowing.

1.3 J Butler, Grey Power

Mr Butler read a report on behalf of Grey Power Motueka. He commented on water allocation, annual plan submission replies and other issues.

1.4 J Taylor, Our Town Motueka

Ms Taylor asked the Board for support for the Motueka Christmas Parade.

1.5 L Walker, Visitor Information Centre

Ms Walker expressed thanks for the funding reinstatement to Tourism Nelson Ltd for the Visitor Information Centre. She said they will be making a funding request to Tourism Nelson Tasman in the near future for the next financial year. She was concerned about news reports about future tourism funding.

Mayor Kempthorne said Council is discussing the issues of how Nelson Tasman Tourism is funded with Nelson City Council. He suggested for a copy of the funding application to be forwarded to Mr Staite.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINTUES

2.1 Motueka Community Board – Tuesday 9 September 2008

Moved Board Members Forde/Eddy MK08/10/02

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Motueka Community Board held on Tuesday 9 September 2008 containing resolutions numbered MK08/09/01 to MK08/09/12 be confirmed.

CARRIED

3 CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Motueka Council Office/Meeting Room

Mr Ogilvie commented on the refurbishment of Motueka Service Centre to upgrade the customer services section and asked whether the meeting room could be included.

Mr Staite said the intention is to upgrade the meeting room and asked for suggestions from the Board members to be forwarded to Property Manager, Mr Frater.

3.2 Community Board Mileage

Mr Ogilvie commented on the letter he sent to Mr Staite advising that the Board approves the vehicle mileage claims recommendation.

Mr Staite advised that a recommendation will be going to Full Council at the next meeting with some amendments that Golden Bay Community Board had suggested.

Moved Board Members Ogilvie/Eddy MK08/10/03

THAT the guidelines for vehicle mileage claims for community board members, as detailed in the Corporate Services Manager's letter dated 8 September 2008 be accepted, and recommend that they be formally adopted by the Council. CARRIED

3.3 Meeting with Mayor Kempthorne

Mr Ogilvie commented on the letter received from Mr Staite after the meeting held with Mayor Kempthorne. He expressed concern about the Motueka Ward income versus spend.

Mr Staite and Mayor Kempthorne responded to issues raised by Mr Ogilvie.

Mayor Kempthorne said the way to look at the issue is whether Motueka is getting a fair level of service.

Cr Wilkins said the sewerage treatment upgrade and river stopbank works are major works that will be undertaken in Motueka.

Mr Ogilvie expressed concern at the condition of the Kaiteriteri – Riwaka Road.

Ms Forde asked if there were similar submissions to the draft annual plan for both Paton Road and Kaiteriteri – Riwaka Road. She said a lot of tourists use the Kaiteriteri – Riwaka Road and the potential for large numbers of deaths in the event of an accident is great.

Mr Eddy said the letter doesn't acknowledge the concerns the Board has. He asked for a commitment to work with ratepayers and residents of Motueka.

Mr Ogilvie said the Board members are advocates for the Motueka Ward and the people. He said when it comes to prioritising things, Richmond is higher and Motueka is lower. He said the perception is a culture based in Richmond which sees Motueka as a lower priority at all levels ie staff, council.

Mayor Kempthorne said as he goes around the district he does not see the reality of that perception.

Mr Ogilvie said the Board needs to see more expenditure in Motueka relative to the income received from Motueka.

Moved Board Members Forde/Eddy MK08/10/03

THAT the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards correspondence be approved.

CARRIED

4 NELSON/TASMAN HOUSING TRUST

Mr Keith Preston was in attendance to speak to the Board about affordable housing initiatives. He said Nelson/Tasman is the third least affordable region in New Zealand for housing. The Trust has six houses at the moment, with 85% of the cost of building them coming from government and the Trust finds the remaining 15% which is always difficult. He said the Trust has purchased a 2000 square metre section in Hart Road,

Richmond on which they will be building nine houses as a comprehensive development.

5 REPORTS

5.1 Community Board Chair

5.1.1 Submission to the draft Long Term Council Community Plan (2009 – 2019)

Mr Ogilvie tabled the draft submission to the Long Term Council Community Plan prepared on behalf of the Board.

Moved Board Members Ogilvie/Eddy MK08/10/04

THAT the draft submission to the Long Term Council Community Plan (2009 – 2019) be received.

CARRIED

5.1.2 Our Town Motueka and Tasman Bay Promotions Proposed Merger

Mr Ogilvie advised that Tasman Bay Promotions have asked for a delay on the merger for a year and a memorandum of understanding between them and Our Town Motueka will be developed.

5.1.3 Public Consultation

Mr Ogilvie expressed disappointment at the number of Motueka residents who attended the Council's Water Allocation Review meeting.

5.1.4 Projects

Cr Dowler arrived at the meeting at 6.14 pm.

Ms Forde suggested a cycle lane be incorporated into Tudor Street if the road is going to be resealed as it would be a good connector road with other cycle lanes throughout the town.

5.1.5 Ward Councillors/Board Members

Mayor Kempthorne said the question had been raised about whether it was appropriate for the Ward Councillors to be part of the Board meetings. He said if the Board is happy to have the Councillors as part of the meeting and sitting at the table, that is fine. The Councillors do not have a vote but can take part in discussions.

5.1.6 Annual Plan Submission 2009 – 2010

Mr Ogilvie suggested an informal meeting on 3 November 2008 to discuss the annual plan submission and issues from various community groups which will also need to be added.

Mayor Kempthorne asked the Board to prioritise the issues in the annual plan submission.

5.1.7 TDC Survey

Mr Staite advised that the NRB survey results have been received and a report will be presented to Council on 30 October 2008.

5.1.8 Motueka Library Sign

Attempts to have a Te Reo Maori translation painted alongside the Motueka Library sign have not met with success.

Moved Board Members Eddy/Forde MK08/10/5

THAT the Motueka Community Board requests Tasman District Council to have a Te Reo Maori translation painted alongside the Motueka Library sign.

CARRIED

5.1.9 TDC Annual Plan

Mr Staite advised that a list of changes that happen from the draft to final annual plan will be included in future years.

5.1.10 Domestic Water

Ms Forde was concerned that climate change had not been taken into account in the water model talked about at the public meeting at Motueka.

Mr Ogilvie said a submission on the water issue needs to be made by the Board.

Moved Board members Ogilvie/Eddy MK08/10/6

THAT the Chairperson's report dated 3 October 2008 be received. CARRIED

5.2 Reserves Manager

The agenda contained a report from the Reserves Manager on capital projects and items of interest to the Motueka Ward.

Mr Staite undertook to follow up on the historical plaques project for Deck's Reserve.

Moved Board Members Ogilvie/Forde MK08/10/7

THAT the Reserves Manager's report dated 10 September 2008 be received. CARRIED

5.4 Service Request Responses

Mr Ogilvie tabled a list of service requests that have not been actioned, ie stump in Coppins Place to be removed, crossings for mobile scooters at Bennett Street and Simpson Street are difficult to manoeuvre and the stile at the old ticket box at Sportspark is difficult to walk a cycle through.

Cr Wilkins said service requests can be put through to Council via the website as well as by telephone.

5.5 Financial Report

Mr Staite spoke to the Motueka Community Board financial report for August 2008 which was contained in the agenda.

Moved Board Members Ogilvie/Eddy MK08/10/8

THAT the financial report for the Motueka Community Board for August 2008 be received.

CARRIED

5.6 Motueka High School Report : Community Issues Class

The agenda contained a report on the survey undertaken by the Motueka High School.

Moved Board members Ogilvie/Forde MK08/10/9

THAT the results of the Motueka High School survey be received. CARRIED

5.7 Transportation – Minor Safety Projects

Mr Ogilvie spoke to his report contained in the agenda which included a list of possible minor projects as they relate to Motueka for referral to the Engineering Department for their consideration,

Ms Forde suggested solar lighting be considered for improved pathway lighting.

Cr Wilkins said the transport study for Motueka would be done in the next 12 months. She undertook to advise the Board who is doing the study.

Ms Forde tabled some additional minor safety projects to be added to the Chair's report for consideration by the Engineering Department. They noted works to be done on High Street cycleway down to Motueka Bridge.

Mr Staite undertook to put in a service request for the turning sign on Queen Victoria Street/Pah Street.

Mr Eddy asked that cycleways at intersections be painted green.

Moved Board Members Forde/Ogilvie MK08/10/10

THAT the list, with the additional items noted in the tabled report, be referred to the Engineering Department for consideration as "Minor Safety Projects" for the 2008 – 2009 programme.

CARRIED

5.8 Council and Council Committees (Motueka items)

The agenda contained a list of items taken from Council and Council Committee reports.

In reply to a question from Mayor Kempthorne about how community grants were allocated, Cr Dowler said all subcommittee members were given groups/categories to look at and grade, but at the end of the day it was a full subcommittee decision. He believed the final outcome was very fair for Motueka.

6 PROJECTS, ACTIVITIES, INTERESTS, REPORTS (2007/2008)

A list of projects, activities, interests and reports was included in the agenda.

The Regional Cycling and Walking Strategy review will be reported on at the Engineering Services Committee meeting on Thursday 16 October 2008.

Moved Board Members Ogilvie/Forde MK08/10/11

THAT the Projects, Activities, Interests, Reports (2007/2008) be received. CARRIED

7 ACTION LIST

The Board reviewed the Action List contained in the agenda.

Moved Board Members Ogilvie/Eddy MK08/10/12

THAT the Action list for October 2008 meeting be received. CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 7.20 pm.	
Chair:	Date: