



SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 5 August 2009

- Present: Mayor Adrienne Staples (Chairperson), Councillors Dean Davies, Mike Gray, Dianne Phelps, Julie Riddell, Solitaire Robertson and Max Stevens.
- In attendance: Dr Jack Dowds (CEO), Ravi Mangar (MWS) (1.00pm), Trish Clifford-Marsh (Secretary), and Chris Gorman (Senior Planner) and Shelagh Noble (Planner) from 9.30am to 11.00am
- Conduct of Business: The meeting was held in the Green Room, Martinborough Town Hall, Texas Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 9.30am – 2.20pm.

A Preliminary Matters

Procedural Items:

- Smoke-Free Environment Policy – This was discussed at the last Council meeting and needed a resolution from the Policy and Finance Committee.

A1. Apologies:

RESOLVED the apologies for absence received from Councillors Viv Napier, Margaret Craig, Keith Sexton and Niniwa Munrow (MSC) be accepted (*Phelps/Gray*)

A2. Public Participation:

As those listed on the agenda for public participation had not arrived the meeting continued.

A3. Minutes for Confirmation:

The minutes of a Special Council meeting held on 8, 9, and 10 June were confirmed as true and correct, subject to the correction under Martinborough Community Board submission number 66 pg 30 - should read:

Council is investigating sealing Te Muna Road and **widening** Oxford Street. (*Stevens/Phelps*)

A4. Minutes for Confirmation:

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 24 June were confirmed as true and correct. (*Robertson/Riddell*)

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A5. Minutes for Confirmation:
The minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 29 June were confirmed as true and correct. *(Stevens/Gray)*

A6. District Council Action List:

- 24 June 2009
- 8,9 and 10 June 2009

The Action lists for 24 June 2009 and 8,9 and 10 June 2009 be received.
(Davies/Phelps)

A2. Public Participation:

Pamela Jefferies and Meno Antonio, Trustees, Arts Culture and Heritage Trust

Pamela apologised for their late arrival. As their proposal had been taken to Council previously she updated Councillors with progress for their expression of interest in the use of the Old Library building.

Some of the points Pamela raised were:

- Identified other partners in the community who would like to work with them. They were, Aratoi, Creative Communities, Sports and Leisure Society, Greytown Arts Festival Inc. Greytown Community Heritage Assoc., Greytown Trustlands, Film Society and Greytown Community Schools.
 - No money had been requested.
 - No commercial proposal has been made to Council in the last 3 years.
 - Trust has looked at Stella Bull Reserve Plan and will make a submission.

Cr Robertson asked for clarification on what is the wider Community as the Trust serves the whole of the Wairarapa. Pamela said that it was a Greytown issue that had been brought to the Trust and that they had not looked at other venues at this point.

Mayor Staples asked what their association with Sports and Leisure was as they were already renting part of the Greytown Town Centre. Would it be possible that they would move premises? Pamela said that these were issues which would have to be worked through. No firm indication had been given.

Cr Stevens asked what cost they would be prepared to pay. Pamela is unsure at the moment, but not unreasonable to expect an income from other activities e.g. opportunities to sell art, take classes as part of the charge for the use of premises. But this would have to be put forward to the Community.

Mayor Staples thanked Pamela and Meno for attending.

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Richard Griffin

Richard spoke to Council on his proposal to establish a stand-alone, new book shop in the old library building.

Some points Richard made were:

- He had been book selling and publishing all his life and that the Old Greytown Library building would be an ideal venue for a quality book shop in Greytown;
- Nothing between Upper Hutt and Woodville;
- Prepared to put his own money in to bring it up to standard;
- One year lease with long term lease;
- Would look at putting in a historic section;
- Envisage childrens' book reading outside;
- Commercial aspect;
- Enthusiastic community.

Mayor Staples thanked Mr Griffin for his attendance.

B Council Committee and Community Board Minutes

B1. Policy and Finance Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the 24 June 2009 minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee. (Stevens/Phelps)

B2. Martinborough Community Board – 20 July 2009

B3. Featherston Community Board – 21 July 2009

B4. Greytown Community Board – 22 July 2009

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the minutes of Martinborough Community Board – 20 July 2009, Featherston Community Board 21 July 2009 and Greytown Community Board 22 July 2009. (Davies/Riddell)

Cr Riddell questioned in the MCB minutes 3.4 what was the combined Planning meeting about. Cr Stevens explained his understanding of the meeting was to prioritise issues and finances for the coming year.

The wording of this needs correcting at the next MCB meeting.

[Action Item: Secretary MCB]

Cr Stevens asked what is Council's Policy on carrying Community Board surpluses over. Mayor replied they are rolled over.

Cr Riddell questioned MCB minutes 4.2 - Why did we need that report? MWS said there was no problem with the water. Even in adverse conditions we still have the Huangarua supply. It was suggested that Mr Rudman be asked to come and speak with MWS to get more details instead of the cost of getting a report as there was a lot of detail in MWS report on water. If a report was to be made it should have been resolved by Council. No resolution was made by the Board. CEO said he had already explained issues with Mr Rudman.

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Cr Riddell noted a spelling error in GCB minutes under item 6 resolution GCB2009/9 should read Gray not Gay.

B5. Maori Standing Committee – 27 July 2009

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the minutes of 27 July 2009 meeting of the Maori Standing Committee. (Davies/Stevens)

Cr Riddell – spelling mistake under Item 6 Application No. 3680. Should read creating three additional Not crating.

B6. Rural Advisory Committee – 28 July 2009

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the tabled minutes of 28 July 2009 meeting of the Rural Advisory Committee. (Gray/Phelps)

Cr Phelps said that there had been a new Police appointee in the Vehicle Investigation Unit. There were concerns from farmers that they were not aware of some of the new rules for farm vehicles on roads and a lot of ticketing had been done. She suggested that there should have been more consultation with farmers. Mayor Staples suggested this be brought up with Inspector Johnson later in the meeting. Public education needed.

C Planning and Regulatory Reports

C1. Report from Resource Management/Planning

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the report on planning activities and the reports of the Applications Sub-Committee dated 16, 25 and 30 June 2009 and 7 and 22 July 2009. (Robertson/Gray)

Shelagh Noble gave more information to Councillors on the Greytown Heritage Precinct and the Greytown Future Development area.

[The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.30am]

Mayor Staples welcomes Inspector Johnson from New Zealand Police

Inspector Johnson gave Council an update of Police matters in the South Wairarapa especially the recent spate of burglaries.

Cr Phelps queried the Vehicle Investigation unit.

Inspector Johnson said there had been no changes. Meetings are being planned to discuss issues raised.

Mayor Staples thanked Inspector Johnson for coming to the meeting and suggested that perhaps in future he be invited to meetings twice a year to keep Council updated

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C2. Report from Building Services

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the Building Services report.
(Davies/Gray)

D Operational Reports

D1. Chief Executive Officer – Finance and Corporate Services Report

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the Chief Executive Officer's report on Finance and Corporate Services and 30 June 2009 accounts and financial report.
(Julie/Gray)

Dr Dowds spoke to his report.

- Thank you letter and phone calls were received for the amount of effort in the response letters to the LTCCP.
- New extension work on the Council building were coming along well and he thanked staff for putting up with the disruption and inconvenience. He also thanked Holmes staff for being very obliging in any requests made.

Cr Gray asked if there was anything positive come out of the Regional Water Strategy as he is supposed to be contact person and has not heard anything.

[Action Item: CEO would look into it.]

Cr Stevens asked that there be more information from our libraries, perhaps rotate a report from each of the local libraries.

[Action Item: CEO]

Cr Gray noted there was no holiday programme in Greytown. He also suggested that the libraries should be recording computer use.

D2. Report from Works and Services

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the Works and Services report.
(Davies/Robertson)

Items discussed.

- Rubbish has increased due to the timing issue of truck pick ups.
Ravi is addressing Cape Palliser Consent Application issues.
- Oldfields - it was suggested that a meeting be arranged with the CEO, Mayor and MWS to address contract performance.
- Cr Phelps commented that staff had been excellent in their responses to water meter issues.
- Lions were happy to paint cemetery.

[Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.25pm]

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E Representation Reports

E1. Mayor's Monthly report

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the Mayor's report.
(Staples/Gray)

The Mayor spoke to her report.

She thanked Council for allowing her and Jack to attend the Local Government Conference. She felt it was the best LG conference she had attended.

E2. Reports from Councillors

- Cr Gray discussed the Communities for Climate Protection Actions Profile 2009 which had a detailed account on what has been achieved, e.g. green house gases. It was interesting to note that our Council has reached the Milestone 3, many other bigger Councils have not reached that level. Council should look at what our Strategy requires. Maybe next year's AP might require some strategic perspective and move this into the community.
- Cr Robertson spoke on the funding applications that had been made to the Creative Communities and that the end of year reconciliations had been done with next round of funding due in September.

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the verbal reports from Councillors.
(Phelps/Davies)

E3. Council Appointments

Destination Wairarapa Inc

COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the Monthly reports from Destination Wairarapa.
(Stevens/Riddell)

Mayor will write to Destination Wairarapa and ask them what planning they have regarding the Rugby World Cup.

[Action Item: Mayor]

E4. WRC Advisory Committees

No Reports.

F Decision Papers

F.1 Approval of Road Name Applications

Name of the public road for the Murphy, Falleni, Stevens, Gray & Smith, 5-lot subdivision at Church Street, Greytown

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It was agreed that Council's Policy was silent on the use of 'lane' for a public road but that 'lane or way' was definitely used to denote private access. To help prevent confusion over private and public access

<i>COUNCIL RESOLVED DC2009/324</i> to approve the name Market Road for the public road in Resource Consent 3369 for a 5 lot subdivision at Church Street, Greytown.	<i>5 August 2009 (Phelps/Stevens)</i>
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[Action Item: CEO - Policy to be brought to the attention of the Planners]

F.2 Proposed Prostitution Bylaw 2009

Some concerns were raised and these were discussed in length.

<i>COUNCIL RESOLVED DC2009/325</i> that the Statement of Proposal and Summary of Information for the proposed Prostitution Bylaw 2009 be adopted for public consultation as required by the Local Government Act 2002 subject to changes in the numbers in Appendix 2 – Summary of Information, and the wording and/or be added to 2. after the words (in a straight line) and under the heading Proximity to Sensitive/ and or Residential Sites.	<i>5 August 2009 (Staples/Davies)</i>
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F3 Recommendations from Committees-Community Boards

1.0 Recommendations from Committees

Policy and Finance Committee 24 June 2009

South Wairarapa District Council Proposed Bylaw on Prostitution – Statement of Proposal

Already discussed and adopted above.

Infectious Disease and Pandemic Policy 2009

<i>COUNCIL RESOLVED DC2009/326</i> to adopt the Infectious Disease and Pandemic Policy 2009 – Version 2. With amendments – add statement regarding elected members to state that this is also applicable to elected members.	<i>5 August (Staples/Riddell)</i>
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Smoke Free Environment

<i>COUNCIL RESOLVED DC2009/327</i> that the Smoke-free Environment Policy has been reviewed and the review date should be amended accordingly.	<i>5 August 2009 (Staples/Phelps)</i>
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2.0 Recommendations from Works and Services Committee – 15 July 2009

2.1 Fluoride in Water Supply

Councillors discussed this at some length.

<i>COUNCIL RESOLVED DC2009/328</i> to investigate the introduction of fluoride into our water supplies.	5 August 2009 (Stevens/Gray)
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(Cr Davies and Robertson and Mayor Staples voted against the motion)

3.0 Recommendations from Mayor’s August Report

3.1 Should not have been included as a recommendation.

3.2 Rural Fire Board Representative

<i>COUNCIL RESOLVED DC2009/329</i> to appoint Councillor Stevens as South Wairarapa District Council’s representative to the Rural Fire Board.	5 August 2009 (Staples/Gray)
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G Correspondence

G1. John Gilberthorpe, Arts, Culture and Heritage Trust

G2 Email from Richard Griffin dated 27 April 2009

COUNCIL RESOLVED that the above correspondence be received.

(Robertson/Davies)

Councillors discussed the two proposals and it was decided

<i>COUNCIL RESOLVED DC2009/330</i> that a letter of offer from CEO be sent to Mr Richard Griffin accepting his proposal for the old Greytown Library and that a letter also be sent to the Arts, Culture and Heritage Trust thanking them for their proposal, but that it was declined.	5 August 2009 (Gray/Phelps)
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[Action Item: CEO/Cr Gray]

CEO will need to contact the Minister before any more progress is made.

[Action Item: CEO]

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....(Mayor)

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