



**Minutes – 15 June 2021**

- Present:** Mark Shepherd (Chair), Claire Bleakley, Jayson Tahinurua, Councillor Garrick Emms, and youth representatives Ana Souto and Isla Richardson.
- In Attendance:** Mayor Alex Beijen, Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment), Siv Fjaerestad (Community Development Coordinator) and Steph Frischknecht (Committee Advisor).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was conducted in public in Kiwi Hall, 62 Bell Street, Featherston between 7:04pm and 8.28pm.

**1. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS**

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/20)* to consider approving funds for lighting as part of agenda item 10.1, the Chairperson Report; the request was received late but could not be delayed until the next meeting as it was for Matariki celebrations in July 2021.

*(Moved Shepherd/Seconded Bleakley)*

Carried

**2. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**4. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES**

Members acknowledged the passing of Ken Burgess and Paul Cutfield who were well known members of the Featherston community.

**5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ms Fjaerestad provided an overview of her role as the Community Development Coordinator and involvement in supporting the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs (MTFJ). Ms Fjaerestad sought support from the Board in helping to connect with the community.

Ms Fjaerestad responded to questions on the number of youth and Featherston businesses involved in the MTFJ and how community projects would be supported by the Community Development Coordinator.

**6. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no actions from public participation

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## 7. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

### 7.1 Featherston Community Board Minutes – 27 April 2021

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/21)* that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 27 April 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record subject to the inclusion that Jayson Tahinurua's apologies were tendered but not presented at the meeting for acceptance.

*(Moved Cr Emms/Seconded Shepherd)* Carried

## 8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

### 8.1 Officers' Report

Members discussed the proposed combined Council dog pound facility, the construction of the Tauherenikau Bridge, and the status of the Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) project. Mrs Bleakley requested a report on the progress of the Featherston WWTP and Mr O'Leary advised updates would be reported to the Assets and Services Committee.

Mrs Bleakley requested the summary of submissions from the Long Term Plan be amended to change references of the Featherston play space to the town square.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/22)* to receive the Officers' Report.

*(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Tahinurua)* Carried

### 8.2 Action Items Report

Members queried involvement of the Māori Standing Committee in the development of a pou and the proposal to have a Māori name for Featherston. Mr Shepherd undertook to seek clarification from Sophronia Smith and inform members.

Members discussed progress on the "Welcome to Featherston" signs and requested an update from officers on when they would be completed.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/23)* to receive the Action Items Report.

*(Moved Tahinurua/Seconded Shepherd)* Carried

### 8.3 Income and Expenditure Report

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/24)* to receive the Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 July 2020 – 31 May 2021.

*(Moved Tahinurua/Seconded Shepherd)* Carried

### 8.4 Financial Assistance Report

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/25):*

1. To receive the Financial Assistance Report.

*(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Tahinurua)* Carried

2. To approve funding Featherston Community Centre \$500 to contribute to replacing the vinyl floor covering of the Featherston Community Centre disability toilet.

*(Moved Bleakley/Seconded Tahinurua)* Carried

## 9. NOTICES OF MOTION

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There were no notices of motion.

**10. CHAIRPERSONS REPORT**

**10.1 Chairperson Report**

Members discussed the planning of Matariki events and involvement of community groups and the Board.

Members discussed setting aside funds for replacement lighting for the oak tree near the Fell Locomotive Museum. Existing lighting had been damaged and Mr Shepherd stated the original cost was approximately \$4,000. Members also discussed lighting at the Information Centre and in the town centre.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/26):*

- 1. To receive the Chairperson Report.  
*(Moved Cr Emms/Seconded Tahinurua)* Carried
- 2. To approve up to \$5,000 for lighting for the oak tree near the Fell Locomotive Museum, Information Centre and Featherston town centre subject to receiving quotes, to be funded from the beautification fund.  
*(Moved Cr Emms/Seconded Shepherd)* Carried

**11. MEMBER REPORTS (INFORMATION)**

**11.1 Sophronia Smith: 2021 Community Boards Conference**

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/27)* to receive the Member Report from Sophronia Smith on the 2021 Community Boards Conference.

*(Moved Shepherd/Seconded Tahinurua)* Carried

**11.2 Claire Bleakley: Earthquake Risks**

Mrs Bleakley advocated for tsunami and earthquake risks to be a consideration in Council planning and members discussed emergency management. Mr O’Leary advised of Greater Wellington Regional Council’s role in natural hazards and noted the risks as a planning consideration.

*FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2021/28)* to receive the Member Report from Claire Bleakley on Earthquake Risks.

*(Moved Shepherd/Seconded Tahinurua)* Carried

**12. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

The meeting closed at 8.28pm.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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