



Featherston Community Board

Minutes 31 March 2015

- Present:** Lee Carter (chair), Peter Jackson, Katie Beattie, Cr Dean Davies, Cr Solitaire Robertson and Garry Thomas.
- In Attendance:** Mayor Adrienne Staples, Paul Crimp (Chief Executive) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in Kiwi Hall, 62 Bell Street, Featherston. The meeting was conducted in public between 7:00pm and 8:30pm.
- Public Participation:** Colin Robinson (Cross Creek Railway Society) and Rhonda Jones (Featherston Main Streets Beautification Group).
- Also in Attendance:** Cr Colin Olds.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Members agreed to add 'Verbal Update on Featherston Town Square' as agenda item 8.5.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

3.1 Colin Robinson, Cross Creek Railway Society

Mr Robinson presented the proposed new station building plan which would replace the existing building. The Society hoped to have the building completed over winter.

3.2 Rhonda Jones, Featherston Main Streets Beautification Group

Mrs Jones presented a timeline for installation of the 'Welcome to Featherston' signs with final erection planned by the end of June 2015.

4. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

FCB NOTED:

1. Action 201: Write a letter of support to the Cross Creek Railway Society for their proposed new station building; P Crimp

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2. Action 202: Write a letter of support to the Featherston Main Streets Beautification Group acknowledging and accepting the new proposed timeframes for installation; P Crimp

5. CIVIL DEFENCE

Following on from meetings with WREMO last year, Mr Jackson believed the community board had a role to play in civil defence preparation and in the event of an emergency. Cr Olds reported that Anzac Hall was setup as an emergency centre and a community response plan was operational. Cr Olds had resigned as civil defence coordinator but Brenda West, Robyn Ramsden, Helen McNaught and Gary Thomas had all received civil defence training and would form the core of a Featherston CDEM response team.

FCB NOTED:

1. Action 203: When WREMO have made staff appointments request a joint regional community board meeting is held in order to discuss the community board role in civil defence planning; P Crimp

6. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES/EXPENDITURE

6.1 Featherston Community Board Minutes – 17 February 2015

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/17) that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 17 February 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Thomas/Seconded Beattie)

Carried

6.2 Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

6.3 Action items from previous meeting

The Community Board reviewed the action items and updates were provided.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/18):

1. To receive the action items list.
(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Robertson)
2. Action 204: Make a submission the GWRC LTP on providing adequate luggage space in trains for carrying bicycles; L Carter

Carried

6.4 Income and Expenditure Statement

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/19) that the Income and Expenditure Statement to 28 February 2015 be received.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Jackson)

Carried

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7. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

7.1 Officers' Report to Community Boards

Mr Crimp advised that the change in timeframes for the Featherston wastewater consent had a net result of saving around \$2m as land had been purchased which could be used for irrigation.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/20) to receive the information.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Thomas)

Carried

7.2 Report on Free Swim Tickets and Free Swim Day – Featherston Pool

Members discussed methods for tracing swim passes handed out to the community through to actually being presented for use..

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/21) to receive the information.

(Moved Jackson/Seconded Carter)

Carried

8. COMMUNITY BOARD – COUNCILLORS REPORTS

8.1 Chair's Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/22) to receive the tabled report.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Thomas)

Carried

8.2 Verbal Update on Featherston Footpaths

Members discussed ways to get feedback from the community to enable the Board to prioritise footpath maintenance and development against Council's policy for the next 3-year period.

FCB NOTED:

1. Action 205: Organise a community meeting in April to discuss footpath maintenance and development priorities with the public as well as strategies for engaging with the wider community on the matter; L Carter

8.3 Featherston Meeting Event

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/23):

1. To receive the information.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Jackson)

Carried

2. To support in principal the idea of a Featherston meeting event.

3. To agree to further analysis on costings and interest within the Featherston community for this event.

(Moved Thomas/Seconded Cr Davies)

Carried

8.4 Graffiti Working Party/SWDC Community Safety and Resilience Working Party Update

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/24) to receive the information.

(Moved Jackson/Seconded Carter)

Carried

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8.5 Verbal Update on Featherston Town Square

Mayor Staples reported that the Featherston Town Square design had been previewed by affected parties and feedback was predominantly positive.

FCB NOTED:

1. Action 206: Send an electronic copy of the Featherston Town Square plan and feedback form to FCB members and post the information on the SWDC website; P Crimp
2. Action 207: Upload the Featherston Town Square plan to the Featherston/Wairarapa Facebook site; P Jackson
3. Action 208: If the Featherston Supermarket policy didn't allow the Featherston Town Square plan to be displayed in the building provide weather proof copies to the Menz Shed for display outside the building or on a nearby fence; P Crimp

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Inwards

To Featherston Community Board, from Steve Bird, Greater Wellington Regional Council, dated 26 February 2015.

To Lee Carter, Featherston Community Board, from Margaret Cole, Greytown Trails Trust, dated 3 March 2015.

9.2 Outwards

To Greater Wellington Regional Council, from Suzanne Clark, Committee Secretary, on behalf of Featherston Community Board, dated 23 February 2015, regarding cycle transport on trains.

To Greater Wellington Regional Council, from Suzanne Clark, Committee Secretary, on behalf of Featherston Community Board, dated 23 February 2015, regarding wheelchair parking at Featherston Railway Station.

To Brenda West, from Peter Jackson, Featherston Community Board, dated 23 February 2015.

To Davina Simm, from Peter Jackson, Featherston Community Board, dated 23 February 2015.

To Greytown Trails Trust, from Suzanne Clark, Committee Secretary, on behalf of Featherston Community Board, dated 23 February 2015.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/25) to receive the inwards and outwards correspondence.

(Moved Thomas/Seconded Carter)

Carried

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10. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

10.1 Arrow FM

Members commended Arrow FM on their well-prepared application and would look favourably on an application for a specific Featherston broadcasting project e.g. a WWI project.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2014/26) to decline the application for financial assistance from Arrow FM as it was for on-going operational funding and the Board have a preference for funding specific projects.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Thomas)

Carried

Ms Beattie voted against the motion.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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