



Featherston Community Board

Minutes 4 August 2015

- Present:** Lee Carter (chair), Peter Jackson, Katie Beattie, Cr Dean Davies, Cr Solitaire Robertson and Garry Thomas.
- In Attendance:** Mayor Adrienne Staples (until 8:56pm), Paul Crimp (Chief Executive) (until 8:56pm) 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 9:00pm.
- Also in Attendance:** Rhonda Jones (Featherston Main Streets Beautification Group), Marc Van de Loo (Featherston Christmas Market), Kate Mead (Booktown), Jean McDowall (Featherston Camp Memorial Trust).

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Mrs Carter added the Featherston Camp Memorial Trust under Public Participation as item 3.4.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/47) to remove agenda item '7.3 Featherston 2033 Strategy' from the 4 August 2015 agenda.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Lee Carter declared a conflict of interest with the application for financial assistance from the Featherston Christmas market as she was a member of the committee.

Peter Jackson declared a conflict of interest with any decision relating to the Featherston Camp Memorial Trust as he was a member of the Trust.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

3.1 Featherston Main Streets Beautification Group

Mrs Jones updated members on the Featherston entrance way sign delays saying the new timeframe for them to be completely installed was 16 November 2015.

3.2 Featherston Christmas Parade

Mr Van de Loo outlined plans for the 2016 Featherston Christmas Market scheduled for the 12 December 2015 and requested financial assistance to help fund the event.

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3.3 Kate Mead, Booktown
Ms Mead presented the international Booktown concept to members saying that Featherston had been accepted to the first level of membership. Events planned as part of the first Featherston Booktown, scheduled for the 17-18 October 2015, were outlined.

3.4 Jean McDowall, Featherston Camp Memorial Trust
Ms McDowall reported that the Trust was satisfied with Council's proposed approach to locating the sculpture in the Featherston Town Square. The Trust was focusing on fundraising with the aim of having the sculpture completed by June 2017.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Paul Southey, Greytown Sport and Leisure
Mr Southey gave the background to the Featherston Sport and Leisure initiative, saying the proposal needed to be driven from the community and from the bottom up to be successful.

5. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Featherston Main Street Beautification Group
The Community Board requested regular updates and offered assistance, if needed, so the signs could be erected as soon as possible.

5.2 Featherston Christmas Market
Refer to item 10.1.

5.3 Booktown
The Community Board suggested Ms Mead discuss use of the footpath with Council, see also item 10.2.

5.4 Featherston Camp Memorial Trust
The Community Board acknowledged the Trust's presence and thanked them for the update.

5.5 Greytown Sport and Leisure
The Community Board asked to be involved in the creation of a Featherston Sport and Leisure group and that key communications to the community are consistent and that Mrs Carter is kept informed.

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6. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES/EXPENDITURE

6.1 Featherston Community Board Minutes – 23 June 2015

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/48) that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 23 June 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Thomas)

Carried

6.2 Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

6.3 Action items from previous meeting

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/49) to receive the action items.

(Moved Thomas/Seconded Jackson)

Carried

6.4 Income and Expenditure Statement

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/50) that the Income and Expenditure Statement to 30 June 2015 be received.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Thomas)

Carried

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/51) to approve \$90 for an advertisement in the Featherston Phoenix for the networking evening.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

7. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

7.1 Officers' Report to Community Boards

Mr Crimp gave an update on the Local Government Commission amalgamation process moving forward and the expectation that local government change would occur in some format. Mr Crimp expected the 2016 local government elections to be based on current boundaries.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/52) to receive the information.

(Moved Jackson/Seconded Carter)

Carried

7.2 Funding for Youth Computer Coding Workshop for South Wairarapa

Mrs Carter had spoken with Gina Smith, Featherston School Principal, who supported the programme as it gave gifted students an opportunity they wouldn't otherwise have via the regular school curriculum.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/53):

1. To receive the information.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Beattie)

Carried

2. To contribute \$500 towards funding the September 2015 computer coding workshop in Greytown on the condition that a report back on the success of the program and the number of Featherston youth participants is provided.

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3. Future funding would be dependent on Featherston uptake with a preference that this event is funded by the Wairarapa Library Service.

(Moved Garry/Seconded Beattie)

Carried

8. COMMUNITY BOARD – COUNCILLORS REPORTS

8.1 Chair's Report

FCB RESOLVED (FCB2015/54) to receive the tabled chair's report.

(Moved Carter/Seconded Thomas)

Carried

8.2 Focus Featherston Networking Event Debrief

Mrs Carter thanked members for supporting the business networking event which was a success. Public feedback on the event was positive and there was support for continuing the event. Mrs Carter expected Community Board expenses to be around \$361.

FCB NOTED:

1. Action 484: Schedule a workshop with FCB members to discuss 'where to from here' for the networking events; Lee Carter
2. Action 485: Write thank you letters to Messines Bar and Restaurant and Featherston Gateway and SuperValue for their contribution to the Featherston Networking event; Lee Carter

8.3 Featherston Town Square Update

Mr Crimp reported that the final landscape architecture plans had been received and costings were now being sourced for structural elements. Once estimates were available the Town Square Working Group would meet to determine next steps. Landscaping was anticipated to start within 2-3 months but what elements would be undertaken was dependant on pricing and a decision from the Working Group.

8.4 Community Safety and Resilience Working Group

The Community Board agreed that Cr Julie Riddell's Council report for the Working Group should be included in the Community Board agenda papers. Mrs Carter expressed gratitude to Cr Riddell for organising a good meeting.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Inwards

Ms Beattie undertook to liaise with the Featherston Main Streets Beautification Group about a memorandum of understanding and the possibility of the Community Board appointing a member to the group. Members wanted to know more information about the proposed planting on Main Street.

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From Paul Crimp, SWDC to Lee Carter, Featherston Community Board dated 6 July 2015

From Russell Wills, Children’s Commissioner to Featherston Community Board dated June 2015

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/55):

1. To receive the inwards and outwards correspondence.
(Moved Thomas/Seconded Jackson) Carried
2. Action 486: Locate Community Board/Council agreements with the Featherston Main Streets Beautification Group; Paul Crimp
3. Action 487: Provide and email update to FCB members on what action has been taken with regards to making the Featherston Main Street pedestrian crossing outside the supermarket safer for pedestrians and wheelchair users and investigate options for calming traffic; M Allingham

10. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

10.1 Featherston Christmas Market
FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/56) to grant the Featherston Christmas Market \$500 to assist with costs associated with running a market on the 12 December 2015.
(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Robertson) Carried

10.2 Booktown
FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2015/57) to urge Booktown to submit an application for financial assistance so it can be considered at the 15 September 2015 meeting.
(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Jackson) Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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