



Featherston Community Board

Minutes 11 October 2011

- Present:** Garry Thomas (Chair), Helen Barrow, Lee Carter, Phil Robertson, Cr Solitaire Robertson and Cr Keith Sexton.
- In attendance:** Mayor Adrienne Staples, Dr Jack Dowds, Glenn Bunny (Group Manager Planning and Environment) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Public Participation** Catherine Rossiter-Stead (Kuranui College) until 6:20pm.
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the Group Room of Family Works Centre, Featherston. The meeting was conducted in public between 6.00pm and 7:40pm.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Garry Thomas, Phil Robertson, Cr Keith Sexton and Cr Solitaire Robertson declared a conflict of interest with the application for financial assistance from the Featherston Community Patrol.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Catherine Rossiter-Stead, Business Development Manager for Kuranui College, spoke on the College's plans to develop stronger relationships with the community.

4. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES/EXPENDITURE

4.1 Featherston Community Board Minutes – 30 August 2011

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/47) that the minutes of the Featherston Community Board meeting held on 30 August 2011 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Robertson/ Seconded Barrow)

Carried

4.2 Matters arising

The Community Board asked that the Featherston Walkways Trust Memorandum of Understanding be placed on the November 2011 agenda.

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- 4.3 Action items from previous meeting
The Community Board reviewed the action items and updates were provided.
- 4.4 Income and Expenditure Statement
Due to time commitments with auditors the statement wasn't tabled but would be emailed to members in due course.

5. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – Council Officers :

- 5.1 Officers' Report to Community Boards
The Community Board reviewed the report and discussed rates arrears. The outcome of the Capital Assistance Programme application was that \$50,000 would be available for investigation into an alternative water supply source in Featherston.
FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/48):
1. To receive the information.
(Moved Barrow/ Seconded Thomas) Carried
- 5.2 Library Services Report
FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/49):
1. To receive the information.
(Moved P. Robertson/ Seconded Cr Sexton) Carried
- 5.3 Residual Sesqui Funds Report
FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/50):
1. To receive the information.
 2. That the residual Sesqui funds be deposited into the Featherston Community Board account.
(Moved Cr Sexton/ Seconded P. Robertson) Carried
- 5.4 Featherston Domain Walkway
The Community Board noted that council officers would oversee the works to ensure they were undertaken to an appropriate standard.
FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/51):
1. To receive the information.
 2. That the proposed work in the Featherston Domain Walkway should be undertaken by the Featherston Walkway and Reserves Trust.
(Moved Carter/ Seconded Cr Sexton) Carried

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- 5.5 Proposed Featherston Outdoor Public Sculpture/Artwork Report
The Community Board noted that landscaping would need to be undertaken at Clifford Square to make it suitable for the sculpture.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/52):

1. To receive the information.

(Moved Barrow/ Seconded Thomas)

Carried

2. To approve the use of Clifford Square as the most suitable site.

(Moved Thomas/ Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

- 5.6 LTP Report

The Chief Executive Officer discussed the LTP futures planning and asked that the Board have ideas and initiatives available for discussion at the next meeting.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/53):

1. To receive the information.

(Moved Thomas/ Seconded Carter)

Carried

6. COMMUNITY BOARD/COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Helen Barrow

Mrs Barrow thanked Mayor Staples for organising the Community Board and Councillor tour of the Rimutaka road works.

Lee Carter

Mrs Carter noted continuing problems with the Featherston street lights and updated the Board on the setup of a youth community trust.

Cr Robertson

Cr Robertson gave an update on the Featherston Christmas parade celebrations and the Board agreed to float prize categories and promotion using Classic Hits.

Cr Sexton

Cr Sexton was in possession of a brass plaque belonging to Featherston which was previously located where the skate park is now situated. The Community Board agreed that it should be reinstated in the town and suggested that it be incorporated into Clifford Square when that area was landscaped for the sculpture. Mayor Staples took possession of the plaque for the interim.

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Phil Robertson

Mr Robertson reported that Featherston School was attempting to organise an after school club for children but the clubs success would depend on volunteers being available to supervise the children.

Garry Thomas

Mr Thomas asked that the Rugby World Cup parade banner made for Georgia be reprinted for the Featherston Christmas parade.

Mayor Staples

Mayor Staples tabled a presentation ‘Planning for Emergencies’ sourced from New Plymouth District Council.

The Mayor reported that she had communicated with a Wairarapa resident who had spoken positively of the Rugby World Cup flags hanging in Featherston and had suggested that flags be hung on a permanent basis. The Community Board agreed that further consideration should be given to this suggestion.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/54):

- 1. That the Community Board fund the Rugby World Cup Georgia parade banner and that it be reprinted so it is suitable for the Featherston Christmas parade.

(Moved Thomas/ Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

- 2. Action 996: Reactivate dialogue with Powerco and other parties regarding repairs to Featherston Street lights; Dr Dowds/M Allingham

7. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

7.1 Featherston Community Patrol

Garry Thomas, Phil Robertson, Cr Keith Sexton and Cr Solitaire Robertson abstained from discussion.

FCB RESOLVED (FCB 2011/55) to grant \$500 to the Featherston Community Patrol.

(Moved Barrow/ Seconded Carter)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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