

Meeting held 6 May 7pm 2025
Woodville Sports Stadium Supper room

1. Present:

J Kopa, V Tomlinson, B Tomlinson, C. Wilton, P Johns, S Gilmore, R McMillan, P Cocks, A Sowry, C Archer, M Carroll, D Stokes, D Henman, J McNeur, S Bonser, P Bonser, R Treder (visitor)

Apologies:

P Tayler, B Hutton, A Hapuku, S Sylvester

That the apologies be accepted

P Johns/C Archer

Carried

2. Correspondence:

- 150 Celebration list – Reported that now available on website
- Aaron Bowles, Scanpower - Xmas lights – missing units have now been located at Scanpower site – Investigate how these may be used as will be replaced on Vogel St with flags
- Kimberley Stevens – instructions for Squarespace
- Mike Butterick – Drop in Session
- Pahiatua Golf Club – confirmation of discretionary grant
- AED information – defibrillator information
- Application for Discretionary Funding for Community Choir

That the correspondence be approved

C Tayler/S Bonser

Carried

3. Other General Business:

Nil

4. Conflicts of Interest:

R McMillan, B & V Tomlinson – Discretionary Grant - Music Through the Ages request

5. Matters Arising from the minutes:

Local Business Support

V Tomlinson/C Wilton

Carried

6. Financials

The financial report was presented by the Treasurer

Mad Hatters 2025

Jenny is prepared to work on the 2025 Mad Hatters for next year.

Also agreed we support her with mileage/petrol vouchers as she lives out of town.

Moved that \$9000 funding for Mad Hatters 2025 be approved

P Johns/ C Archer

Carried

That the Financial Report be accepted and accounts paid.
V Tomlinson/C Wilton

Carried

8. TDC Report – Cr S Gilmore:

Council report - 6 May 2025

The annual plan is currently out for consultation, closing on 15 May.

The proposed average rates increase is 7.71%, which is well below the originally planned 11.79%, but this will still be tough on many of our ratepayers.

The main consultation item is adding additional rates funding of \$150,000 to footpaths, which will increase average rates by 0.40%. Footpath funding has been slashed by government, so if we want to keep them at today's standard and repair priority faults, we'll need to put in more ratepayer money. It's important to say even this won't address every fault in the network, but it will at least stop them getting worse.

There is also a feedback item regarding purchasing some land to improve parking and vehicle safety at WaiSplash in Dannevirke. Funding for this would come out of a reserve than can only be used for property, so won't have a direct impact on rates (unless we need those funds for other property down the track).

Of the 7.71% - 4.47% is directly related to water, wastewater, and stormwater services - but this is largely borne by urban ratepayers.

As always, I encourage Positively Woodville to make a submission to the draft annual plan.

Draft Reserve Management Plan -

The draft Reserve Management Plan covers 82 parks and reserves across the Tararua District. The Plan will help ensure parks and reserves are protected, maintained and able to be enjoyed safely by everyone. Consultation on this is open until 20 June 2025.

From the floor:

A member of the public asked that it be brought to the meeting to ask Cr Gilmore why the Dog Toilet sign at Fountaine Square is no longer there.

To be looked into.

9. Chairperson's Report
Flower Baskets

Joy presented a report to the meeting outlining her proposal re the baskets.

They will be hung from Caltex to Four Square along Vogel Street & permanently installed.

Proposed that the business's be asked to sponsor a basket.

Artificial flowers so no maintenance

Extra baskets will be made so they can swap over with existing ones to carry out maintenance.

Suggested that they be installed a few days before the new road opens.

Approach Bunnings for some sponsorship.

Moved approval of \$4000 to purchase materials

V Tomlinson/ P Johns

Carried

Storage

It has been noted that the Community Archive at TDC is being evicted and important we have somewhere waterproof for storage.

Investigate the purchase of another container for storage. Price of \$4795 inclusive
Prior to ordering container, it was suggested we approach Rinitawa to see what they are doing with their existing container when their new one arrives.

Moved to ring fence \$5000 for purchase

V Tomlinson/ C Wilson

Fountaine Square Playground Equipment

TDC is replacing the swing set this year with a dual swing and basket.

Next year proposed to replace the jungle adventure for older children.

Some of our contribution is being used for the matting.

The gym equipment is awaiting on safety inspection as to whether an be repaired or needs to be removed.

Tennis Courts

The lines have been water-blasted. Council is to put new caps on the drains and remove the agapanthus.

Paint will be approximately \$750 and this will do the tennis and basketball lines.

Pickleball team from Hawkes Bay are prepared to come and do the marking for the pickleball courts.

Suggested that T Dodd be given a Koha for his support re the courts and also the gas lamp posts.

Xmas Parade/Transport Day

Need to organise a meeting to organise – suggest invite Fire Service, Māori Wardens
Are we happy to move Xmas Parade to Woodville Racecourse? P Johns suggested we email the Lions and to how they would feel about shifting of event.

Lamp Posts

Reported that these are now operational and ready for unveiling once plaque is in place.

Thank you to the Lions Club for the plaque – approx 4 week till ready. Metal at the bottom of the lights is to be painted

S Gilmore suggested that we send a formal email of thanks to Scanpower for the sponsorship of the project.

Time Capsule

A display is at Rinitawa of the contents, including a suggestion box asking for ideas for the next capsule.

We will extend an invitation to local schools for letters from current pupils to future pupils.

150 Dinner Dance

V Tomlinson to organise some of the corflute signs for businesses to advertise.

Suggest we send out emails to everyone to gain interest.

10. Tararua Community Convenor – Sport Manawatu

Visitor R Treder introduced herself to the meeting.

11. Through the Ages Concert for 150yr Celebration

V Tomlinson asked for financial support for the main singers for the concert.

Moved to support project

B Hutton/C Wilton

Carried

V Tomlinson, B Tomlinson and R McMillan abstained due to conflict of interest

Meeting closed at 8.30

Next Meeting – 4 May 2025

Signed:

Chairperson

Date: