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**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE STRATFORD DISTRICT  
YOUTH COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 4  
SEPTEMBER 2007 AT 5:30 PM.**

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**PRESENT**

Deputy Chair Carly Theron and Youth Councillors Liam Barr, Astyn Buckland, Paul Haenga, Alison Matthews, Ngawai Matthews, Savarna Pease, Gareth Power-Gordon and Shane Rooyakkers.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Community Development Advisor Pauline James, Councillor John Sandford and Mike Curry.

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Chairman Jayne Gulliver, Councillors Laura Lambkin, Cynthia Cook, Michael Goble and Community Administration Officer Raewyn Gordon

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Past Chairman Cameron Grierson and past secretary Shane Rooyakkers were thanked by the Community Development Advisor for their great work last term.

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – Tuesday 7 August 2007**

**POWER GORDON-SAUNDERS**

THAT the minutes be confirmed true and accurate.

Carried

1.1.1 **Matters Outstanding- Tuesday 7 August 2007**

Get on the Bus - The question was brought up about GOTB tickets and how well they are selling. Councillor Saunders also brought up that the event has been announced over the radio and advertised in the Stratford Press. He also mentioned that three adults are needed on the night.

2. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Deputy Chairman Carly Theron read the report on the Chairman's behalf.

**BUCKLAND/SAUNDERS**

THAT the report be received.

Carried

3. **COUNCIL UPDATE**

Councillor John Sandford informed the Youth Council that:

\*Mr Wally Bullen retired after 30 years working for the Stratford District Council

\*That all Councillors are working towards the elections. The elections will be held in October this year.

\*Meeting the Council candidates night will take place on Wednesday 19 September

**SAUNDERS/HAENGA**

THAT the Council Update be received.

Carried

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

**Letter to Mr and Mrs Johnson.**

Councillor Alison sent a letter to Mr and Mrs Johnson behalf of the youth council for their help and delicious meals they prepared for us at camp.

**Letter to Schools.**

A letter was sent to all the schools of the Stratford District, it stated wether they would like to have a youth councillor representative on their student council. This is for more communication between youth council and different groups of youths in Stratford.

**Letter to Momento Studios.**

Pauline read out a letter that was sent to Momento Studios for the hireage of a big screen television for our Family Movie Night Out held at Victoria Park.

**GRIERSON/BUCKLAND.**

THAT the correspondence be received.

Carried.

5. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

**HAENGA/POWER-GORDON\**

THAT the financial report be received.

Carried

6. **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Changes were discussed at camp and additions were made to the Code of Conduct. Stratford District Youth Council Youth Policy will not change until a new mayor has been appointed.

POWER-GORDON/SAUNDERS.

THAT the Code of Conduct be adopted.

Carried

7. **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

GET ON THE BUS.

Councillors Savarna and Astyn reported that the media release had been done for GOTB.

YOUTH COUNCIL PROFILES.

Youth Council Profiles have not yet been done and it will be put into Stratford Press ASAP.

YOUTH COUNCIL WEBSITE.

We discussed about the youth council website, it will be re-done by scratch. Councillors Gareth and Renee will be working on this.

Template and concepts must be due in by the September Project Meeting and completion to be done by the October Meeting.

PIONEER VILLAGE WEBSITE

Mike Curry suggested to the youth council that the Pioneer Village were unable to afford a computer technician to make them a website, Mike asked the SDYC whether we would like to make them a website and charge them at a reasonable price and use the money we earn from this into future projects.

Renee, Shane, Ngawai and Gareth will work alongside Mike and Pauline to interact with Pioneer Village and make their website.

WAVES - LOU ROEBUCK.

Waves is a drop-in centre in New Plymouth, it is a peer mentoring unit and deals with youth issues and youth's health and well being. The SDYC were asked whether they would like to do a course of peer mentoring and be able to have the skills to help other youth's in Stratford and possibly earn a part time job if Waves comes to Stratford.

Carried

## 8. PROJECTS

### GET ON THE BUS-TEN PIN BOWLING.

This event will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September.

### GET ON THE BUS.

Organise paintball shooting for a GOTB event in November.

### GREAT AND GRAND'S MORNING TEA.

This event will be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> of October at 9.30 am. There is a competition as part of the holiday programme. Volunteers Carly, Renee, Alison and Savarna will help with this event.

### TARGA RALLY.

This event will be held on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of October at 3 pm. All youth councillors but Ngawai and Alison are expected to attend and ready to wash as many cars as they can.

### CHRISTMAS PARADE.

The Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. Youth Council will be putting in a float, the theme is 12 days of Christmas.

### YOUTH COUNCIL CHRISTMAS DINNER.

This will be held on Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> of December. Ngawai and Shane are currently organising this. The theme is a Cryptic Dinner.

### MAYORAL RECEPTION

This will be held on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December.

### YOUTH SOCIAL

This event was booked for the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2008 but it has been resolved to cancel plans for the youth social as it will be difficult with a largely inexperienced youth council and lack of enthusiasm and also because it was very difficult booking security and a band for this event. It was agreed that the money put aside for this event will be used for other projects.

### BUSKING COMPETITION/LIBRARY SALE.

This event will be held in February 2008. There was a suggestion of holding a talent quest.

### BIG SCREEN MOVIE.

There has been a discussion that this event will take place in February or March of 2008. It will be held at Victoria Park and there has been a letter written out to Memento Studios for the hireage of a big screen television. We maybe able to hire this for free through T.E.T. We still need to make plans for advertising and security.

### YOUTH WEEK-2008.

Pauline discussed with the youth council what will be happening with youth week. It has been suggested that we have positive themes, subject focused youth forums, a youth expo, a graffiti competition and possibly a social or another entertaining event. There has also been discussion having MYD apart of this.

YOUTH COUNCIL ROAD TRIP-2008.

Pauline informed youth councillors that the 2008 road trip will be held between the 18<sup>th</sup> of April and the 4<sup>th</sup> of May and go to the Otorahanga, Hamilton, and Waikato regions.

KIDZSHOW.

20<sup>th</sup> of May-10<sup>th</sup> of June.

The art competition for young youths of Stratford to participate in. Ngawai was nominated to find the graffiti workshop people and discuss with them if they could run and host graffiti sessions with youths in Stratford.

SAUNDERS/POWER-GORDON

THAT the projects report be received.

Carried

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillor Shane Rooyackers received his restricted licence. Congratulations Shane.

A few birthdays this month in youth council. Ngawai turned 19 on the 8<sup>th</sup>, Renee who turned 18 on the 14<sup>th</sup> and Savarna who turned 13 on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Happy Birthday Girls.

Carried

The meeting concluded at 6.40 pm.

Confirmed this 2nd day of October 2007.

Jayne Gulliver  
CHAIRPERSON