



TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD

Membership:

Peter Munro (Chairman)
Stella Sweney
Alan Hayman
Lynette Martin
Cr Murray Cox

*Notice is given of a meeting of the Tekapo Community Board on
Monday, November 17, 2014, at 7:30pm.*

VENUE: Lake Tekapo Community Hall, Tekapo

BUSINESS: As per agenda attached

WAYNE BARNETT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD

Agenda for Monday November 17, 2014

APOLOGIES:

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

VISITOR:

Jason Gaskill from Tourism Waitaki will attend the meeting to update the community board on current activity regarding the Alps2Ocean cycle trail.

MINUTES:

Confirm and adopt as the correct record the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, October 6, 2014.

MATTERS UNDER ACTION

REPORTS:

1. Financial report (attached).
2. New Stormwater Line (attached).
3. Meeting Schedule for 2015 (attached).
4. Ward member's report (verbal).
5. Reports from members who represent the board on other committees (verbal).

GENERAL BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter on Rabbit Control from Stephen Hunter (attached).
2. Suggestion for Road Name from Melanie Schauer (attached).
3. Grant Request Aoraki Multicultural Trust (attached).
4. Request Regarding Hall Use from Tekapo School (attached).
5. Grant Request Tekapo School Jumble Sale (attached).
6. Grant Request University of Canterbury (attached).
7. Letter from Tekapo Information Centre (attached).
8. Draft Tekapo Parking and Landscape Concept Plan (attached).

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE LAKE TEKAPO COMMUNITY HALL, TEKAPO, ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014, AT 7.30PM

PRESENT:

Stella Sweney (acting chairperson)
Alan Hayman
Cr Murray Cox
Lyn Martin

IN ATTENDANCE:

Claire Barlow (Mayor)
Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive)
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)
Keri-Ann Little (Committee Clerk)
Kathy Hemsworth (member of the public)
Member of the public

OPENING:

The acting chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting. Stephanie Hagan from the Lake Tekapo Promotion Association cannot attend this meeting, therefore the agenda item will be rescheduled to a later date.

It was noted that there had been some discussion with Eleanor from Genesis Energy and their thoughts regarding future use of grant money. They would like to see something substantial for their contributions.

Ms Sweeney said the Community Board is open for further discussion with Genesis Energy and the Promotions Committee.

APOLOGIES:

Resolved that an apology be received from chairman Peter Munro.

Murray Cox/ Alan Hayman

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cr Cox said when discussing the allocations of town projects in regards to regional parks he will abstain from discussion.

MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Tekapo Community Board held on August 25, 2014, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Lyn Martin/ Murray Cox

TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD MATTERS UNDER ACTION:

1. **Civil Defence:**

Murray Cox had a conversation with Nathan Hole earlier in the week in regards to producing a response plan. Cr Cox said we require a document for the community to sight and asked Mr Hole to progress this and get something out.

2. **Review of Freedom Camping Bylaw and its Alignment with the Freedom Camping Act:**

Bylaw workshop has been held with the community board. Mr Nixon's said this has progressed and a draft bylaw will be tabled at the planning committee meeting next week for committee approval before being release for public consultation. A pre-consultation draft has been sighted by the NZMCA with a few suggestions but overall positive feedback.

3. **Community Hall:**

Screens have been replaced. This can now come off matters under action.

4. **Lighting Ordinances:**

Cr Cox will be discussing this with Boffa Miskell tomorrow.

5. **Council Owned Units for Worker Accommodation:**

The chief executive said there has been no progress on this he said he has taken it as far and he can get with the avenues taken. Tony Tosswill's development will improve this, the next step is for us to look at what Council's involvement is.

6. **Walkways and Cycle ways:**

This will be discussed in general business.

7. **Tekapo Plantation: Murray Place/Section A:**

Mr Nixon said the contractor is engaged and work will take place over the next month with fencing and planting.

8. **Future of Moturiki Island:**

Mr Nixon discussed this with Sally who is still trying to facilitate discussions with the appropriate Iwi.

9. **Request to YHA:**

To be discussed by the Tekapo Property Group on October 7.

10. **Town Planter Boxes:**

Garth Nixon said planting is underway the planter boxes are at Whitestone and ready for distribution.

11. **Litter at the Church of the Good Shepherd:**

Garth Nixon has received email correspondence regarding their desire to see an improvement, Mr Nixon suggested they work together. The next step is to see what areas they want to fund and part fund with Council. Mr Nixon will provide to the next meeting what funding is available for rubbish collection.

12. **Tekapo Squash Club:**

Cr Cox had discussions with squash club committee member's in regards to moving the courts up to the community centre. Further discussions of the implementation of this long-term with an agreement that the squash club should ultimately belong to the

community. The Squash Club and staff are in discussion with the squash club regarding a move.

Mr Nixon has initiated costings and plans and when they are received there will have to be discussion with council in regards to funding.

The Mayor asked if a sports trust could be formed to help provide funding and combine efforts would be an option.

Cr Cox said yes this would be an option.

13. Purchase of Screen from Alpine Recreation:

This has been completed and can be removed from matters under action.

14. Street Names Commercial Lane:

Now a matter of urgency, discussion with iwi and confirmation of streets/alleyways criteria. A list of approved names from iwi.

FINANCIAL REPORT TO JUNE, 2014:

This report is the financial report for the community board for the period to August 2014, the purpose of which to update board members on the financial performance of the Tekapo Community as a whole for that period.

The CEO spoke to the report assisted by the Manager, Community Facilities.

Resolved that the report be received.

Murray Cox/ Alan Hayman

PRIORITISING AND ALLOCATING FUNDS TO TOWN PROJECTS:

Posters tabled from Ray Tansey regarding to his concern with the landscape around his property at the rear of Roto Place.

Ms Sweeney said she will respond to Mr Tanseys concerns by stating that there is plans projected for carparking in that area and further discussion will be required in regards to trees being cut back, this is number one on the priority list.

Chairman Peter Munro has outlined a suggested list of town projects as follows:

1. Landscaping the Community Centre Car park (\$80,000)
2. Walkways
 - Top priority would be starting a link into A2O to canal road (\$20,000)
 - Options discussed as Tekapo springs being the start point and good signage for two starting point.
 - Wait for footbridge and lake front development for continuation of concrete walkway from Alpine Springs to the Regional Park and development of Domain
 - Feasibility / needs study for further development of walkways in the town
3. Rock wall extension along Main Road to Aorangi Crescent (\$30,000)

4. Upgrade of Hamilton Drive lookout (\$20,000)
5. Tidy up walkway (level and spread topsoil) and pruning /thinning trees on Lakeside Drive, plus the extension of footpath lighting (\$20,000)
6. Other projects – as well as assisting with completion of playground and solar system challenge

Cr Cox will check solar system challenge with Lions.

Resolved: That the Tekapo Community Board prioritise the town projects as per the list above with modifications and pay the funding requests as suggested above.

Lyn Martin/ Murray Cox

Funding Requests

1. Regional park – consider either paying for the tanks or the installation of the tanks (\$6,000)

Resolved: That the Community Board pay \$6,000 to the regional park to pay for the tanks and the installation of the tanks.

Allan Hayman / Lyn Martin

2. Tekapo Springs information centre – Would like to hold discussions with the promotions association regarding a possible funding stream.
Recommend the community pay some set up funding towards the development of Start Point of A2O in Lake Tekapo. Signage and set up for Alpine Springs information centre targeted at A2O (possibly up to \$10,000)

Ms Hemsworth asked why the Tekapo Springs application was considered along with the other information centre and why her application was treated individually on its own merits.

Cr Cox stated that Ms Hemsworth's comments were founded however there was discussion around the community board funding a business in the town not the town as a whole. Cr Cox said the community board cannot be seen to funding individual business and only specifically funding the promotion of the town.

Ms Hemsworth suggested going away and coming back at next meeting with some tangible services for the board's consideration.

Mr Nixon said the community grants are more for community projects and services etc. That is why we are "struggling" therefore leading to the confusion.

That a community board support the promotion of Tekapo by the way of information. Discussion will be held with the Chair on his return and Tekapo Springs will discuss with their board and meet back for further discussion.

WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Cox said the water zone committee is active and a public meeting on Wednesday here in Tekapo between 4pm and 8pm to discuss another scenario and meeting with local

Farmers and Ecan regarding significant natural areas and the regional statement on biodiversity meetings are ongoing.

The Property group is ongoing.

Twizel with the new meridian building is ongoing.

I have been contacted from Genesis today to inform that the lake is now within 400mls of the minimal lake levels.

Kathy Hemsworth stated that the pump received information that the lake had to be 74 metres as that October 1st. Ms Hemsworth said 71.4 being an exceptional circumstances. Ms Hemsworth expressed her concern to the lake level stating if it goes any lower there will be difficulty running the plant at Tekapo Springs resulting in possible closure.

Cr Cox will check with Genesis Energy. Notified of public meeting on Thursday.

Regional Park opening is only a couple of weeks away.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE COMMUNITY BOARD ON OTHER COMMITTEES:

Lyn Martin reported from the Tekapo Footbridge committee and Heartlands society will look at other projects.

GENERAL BUSINESS – WALKWAYS AND PATHS:

Lyn Martin requested that this item be included on the agenda regarding a path from Hamilton Street carpark to Alan Street.

Ms Martin asked for a map in regards to all pathways. Ms Martin said he will liaise with Jana the Council IS Consultant and also liaise with the Chairman.

Mr Nixon said it is definitely something that can be looked at and funding investigated and added to the list as a needed walkway

GENERAL BUSINESS – PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON TEKAPO TRAFFIC AND LANDSCAPE STUDY:

This will take place tomorrow (October 7) between 3pm and 7pm at the Tekapo Community Hall. Ms Sweeney tendered her apologies for this information session.

GENERAL BUSINESS – MOUNT JOHN TRACK:

Mt John is off limits for cyclist and dogs. Ms Martin asked if more signage can be provided. Mr Nixon said he will speak with DoC.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9:26pm**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____

TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD MATTERS UNDER ACTION:

1. **Civil Defence:**
Murray Cox had a conversation with Nathan Hole earlier in the week in regards to producing a response plan. Cr Cox said we require a document for the community to look at and asked Mr Hole to progress this.
2. **Review of Freedom Camping Bylaw and its Alignment with the Freedom Camping Act:**
Draft bylaws are currently out for public consultation. Submissions have been received.
3. **Lighting Ordinances:**
Cr Cox to discuss this with Boffa Miskell.
4. **Council Owned Units for Worker Accommodation:**
The chief executive has taken this as far as he can. The next step is for us to look at what Council's involvement is.
5. **Walkways and Cycle ways:**
A route using land behind the fire station has been suggested to connect and received some negative comments CB to review alternative route. DoC have approved the use of their land.
6. **Tekapo Plantation: Murray Place/Section A:**
Mr Nixon said the contractor is engaged and work will take place over the next month with fencing and spraying completed.
7. **Future of Moturiki Island:**
This is currently with Ngai Tahu and nothing will happen until spring when they will go and look at the island. Garth Nixon has spoken to Sally Jones at DOC regarding this.
8. **Request to YHA:**
This issue is currently with the Tekapo Property Group.
9. **Town Planter Boxes:**
The planter boxes were placed and we are working on replacements.
10. **Litter at the Church of the Good Shepherd:**
The next step is to see what areas the church wants to fund and part fund with Council. Mr Nixon will provide to the next meeting an indication of what funding is available for rubbish collection.
11. **Tekapo Squash Club:**
Cr Cox has discussed a move with the squash club committee. Mr Nixon has initiated costings and plans. When they are received there will be discussion with council in regards to funding.

12. Street Names Commercial Lane:

Now a matter of urgency. Discussion with iwi and confirmation of streets/alleyways criteria. A list of approved names to come from iwi. **(See letter on this agenda)**

13. Tekapo Promotions Association:

To attend a meeting at a later date to discuss the future use of grant money from Genesis Energy.

14. Town Projects:

- a. Landscaping the Community Centre Carpark.
- b. Alps2Ocean Link between Tekapo and Canal Road. Start point at Alpine Springs Information Centre.
- c. Rock wall extension along Main Road to Aorangi Cres.
- d. Upgrade of Hamilton Drive lookout.
- e. Walkway on Lakeside Drive – pruning, landscaping.
- f. Regional Park – community board to fund tanks at \$6000.



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MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD
SUBJECT: FINANCIAL REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2014
MEETING DATE: 17 NOVEMBER 2014
REF: FIN 1/2/3
FROM: MANAGER – FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
ENDORSED BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

Attached is the financial report for the community board for the period to September, 2014, the purpose of which is to update board members on the financial performance of the Tekapo Community as a whole for that period.

Commentary will be provided for any significant variances.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the report be received.

PAUL MORRIS	WAYNE BARNETT
<u>MANAGER – FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION</u>	<u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER</u>

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Community Board
 Activity Statement
 For the period ended September 2014

	LYTD Actual September 2014	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/2015
Council - General Tekapo						
Tekapo Community Board						
Income						
Targeted Rates	2,850	1,911	1,911	-	✓	7,650
Total Income	2,850	1,911	1,911	-	✓	7,650
Expenses						
Members Expenses	2,009	1,896	4,041	2,145	✓	9,780
Total Expenses	2,009	1,896	4,041	2,145	✓	9,780
Total Tekapo Community Board	841	15 -	2,130	2,145	✓	- 2,130

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Community Board
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	LYTD Actual September 2014	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/2015
Investment						
Tekapo Community Board						
Income						
Other Income	1,040	-	1,041	- 1,041	✗	4,160
Internal Income	-	-	1,041	1,041	✓	4,160
Total Income	1,040	-	-	-	✓	-
Total Tekapo Community Board	1,040	-	-	-	✓	-

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Community Board
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 For the period ended September 2014

	LYTD Actual September 2014	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/2015
Tekapo Community Hall						
Tekapo Community Board						
Income						
Targeted Rates	3,330	2,370	2,370	-	✓	9,476
Other Income	5,770	4,558	5,001	- 443	✗	20,000
Internal Interest Income	-	-	19,738	- 19,738	✗	19,738
Total Income	9,100	6,928	27,109	- 20,181	✗	49,214
Expenses						
Administration Expenses	1,625	789	1,552	763	✓	4,118
Operational and Maintenance	2,903	3,563	4,713	1,150	✓	18,847
Internal interest Expense	385	404	655	251	✓	2,506
Depreciation	-	2,001	2,001	-	✓	8,010
Total Expenses	4,913	6,756	8,921	2,165	✓	33,481
Total Tekapo Community Board	4,188	172	18,188	- 18,016	✗	15,733

Mackenzie District Council
Capital Expenditure Report
For the Period ended September 2014

	LYTD Actual September	YTD Actual September	YTD Budget September	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/15
Recreational Facilities						
1248917. Aorangi Cres Upgrade	906	-	-	-	✓	-
1248940. Furniture & Fittings - Other	18,997	10,207	-	-	10,207 ✗	-
1248978. Resurfacing Tennis Court	15,076	-	-	-	✓	-
1248999. Transfer to Assets	- 45,173	-	-	-	✓	-
Total Recreational Facilities	- 10,194	10,207	-	-	10,207 ✗	-

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Community Board
 Activity Statement
 For the period ended September 2014

	LYTD Actual September 2014	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/2015
Tekapo Community Sewerage						
Tekapo Community Board						
Income						
Targeted Rates	45,282	42,201	42,201	-	✓	168,809
Other Income	28	46	-	46	✓	-
Financial Contributions	4,172	-	-	-	✓	93,594
Internal Interest Income	296	1,998	-	1,998	✓	-
Vested Assets	-	-	-	-	✓	160,000
Total Income	49,778	44,246	42,201	2,045	✓	422,403
Expenses						
Administration Expenses	208	183	1,083	900	✓	4,326
Operational and Maintenance	15,085	21,548	17,615	- 3,933	✗	70,452
Internal interest Expense	-	-	424	424	✓	1,345
Depreciation	-	23,169	23,169	-	✓	92,686
Total Expenses	15,292	44,900	42,291	- 2,609	✗	168,809
Total Tekapo Community Board	34,485 -	654 -	90 -	564	✗	253,594

Mackenzie District Council
 Capital Expenditure Report
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	LYTD Actual September	YTD Actual September	YTD Budget September	Variance	Full Year Budget 30/06/15
Sewer					
0288401. Sewer Reticulation - Renewal	-	-	1,500	1,500 ✓	6,000
0288416. Vested Assets	-	-	62,479	62,479 ✓	62,479
Total Sewer	-	-	63,979	63,979 ✓	68,479

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	LYTD Actual September 2014	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/2015
Tekapo Community Water Supply						
Tekapo Community Board						
Income						
Targeted Rates	33,522	27,165	27,165	-	✓	108,661
Other Income	-	-	6,720	- 6,720	✗	26,884
Financial Contributions	5,238	-	-	-	✓	106,895
Internal Interest Income	3,946	4,744	6,120	- 1,376	✗	24,256
Vested Assets	-	-	-	-	✓	77,000
Total Income	42,707	31,909	40,005	- 8,096	✗	343,696
Expenses						
Consultancy Expenses	-	-	807	807	✓	3,226
Administration Expenses	1,207	686	1,083	397	✓	2,387
Operational and Maintenance	23,226	12,997	17,064	4,067	✓	68,250
Depreciation	-	21,486	21,486	-	✓	85,938
Total Expenses	24,433	35,169	40,440	5,271	✓	159,801
Total Tekapo Community Board	18,274 -	3,260 -	435 -	2,825	✗	183,895

Mackenzie District Council
 Capital Expenditure Report
 For the Period ended September 2014

	LYTD Actual September	YTD Actual September	YTD Budget September	Variance	Full Year Budget 30/06/15
Water					
0128211. Treatment - New	8,228	-	9,249	9,249 ✓	37,000
0128212. Service Connections - Renew	-	-	270	270 ✓	1,075
0128216. Vested Assets	-	-	-	- ✓	77,000
0128251. Reticulation - Renewal	-	-	1,344	1,344 ✓	5,377
0128981. Water Meters	-	-	750	750 ✓	3,000
Total Water	8,228	-	11,613	11,613 ✓	123,452

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Community Board
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	LYTD	YTD	YTD				Full Year
	Actual	Actual	Budget				Budget
	September	September	September				
	2014	2014	2014	Variance			30/06/2015
Tekapo Domain							
Tekapo Community Board							
Expenses							
Operational and Maintenance	-	555	-	-	555	✗	-
Total Expenses	-	555	-	-	555	✗	-
Total Tekapo Community Board	-	555	-	-	555	✗	-
Tekapo Investment Income							
Tekapo Community Board							
Income							
Targeted Rates	-	1,039	-	1,041	-	✓	-
Total Income	-	1,039	-	1,041	-	✓	-
Total Tekapo Community Board	-	1,039	-	1,041	-	✓	-

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Community Board
 Activity Statement
 For the period ended September 2014

	LYTD Actual September 2014	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/2015
Tekapo Stormwater						
Tekapo Community Board						
Income						
Targeted Rates	4,410	5,652	5,652	-	✓	22,608
Financial Contributions	-	-	-	-	✓	11,590
Internal Interest Income	774	840	1,234	- 394	✗	4,733
Vested Assets	-	-	-	-	✓	132,000
Total Income	5,184	6,492	6,886	- 394	✗	170,931
Expenses						
Administration Expenses	-	-	108	108	✓	430
Operational and Maintenance	986	4,405	2,799	- 1,606	✗	11,400
Depreciation	-	3,876	3,876	-	✓	15,511
Total Expenses	986	8,281	6,783	- 1,498	✗	27,341
Total Tekapo Community Board	4,198 -	1,789	103 -	1,892	✗	143,590

Mackenzie District Council
 Capital Expenditure Report
 For the Period ended September 2014

	LYTD Actual September	YTD Actual September	YTD Budget September	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/15
Stormwater						
0578193. Vested Assets	-	-	-	-	✓	132,000
0578456. S/Water Structure - New	-	-	-	-	✓	40,000
0578458. Stormwater Treatment	-	1,202	-	-	1,202 ✗	-
Total Stormwater	-	1,202	-	-	1,202 ✗	172,000

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Community Board
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	LYTD Actual September 2014	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014	Variance		Full Year Budget 30/06/2015
Tekapo Township						
Tekapo Community Board						
Income						
Targeted Rates	71,667	99,084	99,084	-	✓	396,351
Other Income	-	-	2,139	- 2,139	✗	8,560
Internal Interest Income	-	58	6,058	- 6,000	✗	6,058
Total Income	71,667	99,142	107,281	- 8,139	✗	410,969
Expenses						
Employment Expenses	311	-	-	-	✓	-
Administration Expenses	8,409	18,042	9,642	- 8,400	✗	22,377
Operational and Maintenance	40,663	36,180	250,629	214,449	✓	537,535
Depreciation	-	5,367	5,367	-	✓	21,477
Internal Charges	732	-	-	-	✓	-
Total Expenses	50,115	59,590	265,638	206,048	✓	581,389
Total Tekapo Community Board	21,552	39,553	- 158,357	197,910	✓	- 170,420

Mackenzie District Council
 Tekapo Township Expenses
 For the period ended September 2014

September

	LYTD September 2013	YTD Actual September 2014	YTD Budget September 2014			Full Year Budget 30/06/15
Tekapo Township						
Tekapo Community Board						
Expenses						
Administration Expenses						
0544485. Donations & Grants	1,000	12,748	576 - 12,172	✗		2,303
05444851. Promotions Ass ex Meridian	-	-	2,139	2,139	✓	8,560
05444852. Promotions Ass ex Comm Bd	-	-	1,527	1,527	✓	6,114
0544540. Telephone and Tolls	72	-	-	-	✓	-
0544615. Rates	7,337	5,294	5,400	106	✓	5,400
Total Administration Expenses	8,409	18,042	9,642 - 8,400	✗		22,377

Operational and Maintenance

0545020. Gardening	2,899	7,286	4,116 -	3,170	✗	16,465
0545021. Contractors	196	375	387	12	✓	1,554
0545022. Mtce of Irrigation Equipment	-	113	459	347	✓	1,842
0545025. Lawn Mowing	4,033	3,247	9,609	6,362	✓	38,443
0545027. Repairs & Maint Unplanned	479	3,216	576 -	2,640	✗	2,303
0545028. Pest Control	-	-	1,377	1,377	✓	5,506
0545029. Tree Maintenance & Pruning	-	475	528	53	✓	2,109
0545035. Playground Maintenance	233	863	876	13	✓	3,509
0545041. Litterbin waste disposal fees	-	-	408	408	✓	1,631
0545042. Litter Bin Collection	7,824	14,170	9,795 -	4,375	✗	39,177
0545078. Spraying	-	-	810	810	✓	3,240
0545303. Walkways	-	-	1,323	1,323	✓	5,294
0545351. Tekapo School Pool	-	435	144 -	291	✗	576
0545604. Tekapo Township Projects	25,000	6,001	65,220	59,219	✓	260,885
05456041. Tkp Twnshp Proj - C Fwd Bud	-	-	155,001	155,001	✓	155,001
Total Operational and Maintenance	40,663	36,180	250,629	214,449	✓	537,535

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: **Tekapo Community Board**

SUBJECT: New Storm Water Line

MEETING DATE: 17 November 2014

REF:

FROM: **Geoff Horler**

ENDORSED BY: **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Public Excluded

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To approve an increase the budget amount to lay a new storm water line by the Mantra complex and accept a quote for the work

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. Community Board approves the increase to the budget.
3. The quote of \$56,700.00ex gst be accepted.

Geoff Horler
UTILITIES
MANAGER

WAYNE BARNETT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ATTACHMENTS:

BACKGROUND:

There has been a number of occasions where in there has been heavy rain that flood water starts to pond on the northern side of the Mantra complex. With the low floor levels in the complex it does not take long to start to cause problems a number of the Units.

Staff recognized this problem and allowed to pipe this stormwater to the nearest drain.

During this year's Annual Plan we allocated \$40,000 to the project. On completing the survey and design, it became obvious the initial estimates were a little light due to the depth of cut on the north east corner of the property.

Three prices have been obtained to carry out the work they are detailed below:

Menzies Group Ltd	\$56,700.00 ex gst
Paul Smith Earthmoving 2002 Ltd	\$62,060.00 ex gst
Whitestone Contracting Ltd	\$85,574.27 ex gst

POLICY STATUS:

CONSIDERATIONS:

Financial Considerations:

In this year budget there is \$40,000 allocated to carry out this work but to progress this project we will have to over spend the budget by close to \$20,000. There is a significant amount in the Tekapo Stormwater Reserve that can easily cover the budget short fall.

CONCLUSION:

This is a worthwhile project that needs to progress as soon as possible so that it can be laid prior to any further development in the area. With two prices close to \$60,000 it is obvious that the rate for the job is at that level.

RECOMENDATION:

That the budget short fall be approved to allow the project to proceed.
The price submitted by Menzies Group Limited is accepted.

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD
SUBJECT: MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2015
MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 17, 2015
REF: PAD 4
FROM: ARLENE GOSS, COMMITTEE CLERK

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To advise the community board of the schedule of meetings for 2015.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the attached schedule of meetings be noted.

WAYNE BARNETT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Schedule of Tekapo Community Board Meeting Dates for 2015

(All meetings will be formally confirmed)

Meetings will be held at the Tekapo Community Hall, Tekapo, starting at 7.30pm.

Monday, January 26

Monday, March 9

Monday, April 20

Tuesday, June 2 (to allow for Queens Birthday)

Monday, July 13

Monday, August 24

Monday, October 5

Monday, November 16

20/10/2014

Re. Rabbits Tekapo

Hello Murray, following up on our discussion i've supplied you with a map of the current rabbit hotspots in and around the Tekapo Township area.

I can offer the following comments.

Having regularly being controlling rabbits around the township and privately owned farmland surrounding Tekapo over a 5 year period has given me a unique overview of the rabbit density through the area.

The privately owned and funded farm blocks and Ecan Regional Park are pretty much rabbit free with some exceptions, which are being worked through by myself and the respective landowners.

Areas of interest in the township itself are still being controlled where practical by myself on my way to and from work for the privately funded control work. The control work inside the town is a labor of love so to speak and presents some special conditions centered around public safety and a concern not to disturb the peace in any way. Persistence and using windows of opportunity is the key, and in many former hotspots, such as around the sheep yards, the big tussock plantings, or the waterfront area along Pioneer Drive, the population has been reduced to very low levels.

Methods employed to date in the general township area have been shooting with night vision equipment using low powered subsonics, and gassing (magtox) where applicable. I always aim to err on the side of caution, and safety is the utmost priority. Shooting is not an option at all times of the year and in all areas, but is an option that has been made use of successfully. Another method Im developing for coping with rabbit blooms in build up areas are commercially available "Rabbit Bait Stations" which have had some great success in the Regional Park and elsewhere on private land bordering parts of the Tekapo Township, the area enclosed by Andrew Don Drive, the Riverbed, and Aorangi Cres for example. Im at present experimenting with sweetened Pindone Pellets from bait stations and have high expectations that the rabbits will find the the pellets irresistible even in hot times of the year. So far the results have been very promising.

Poisoning from bait stations has several advantages and is seen as very low risk to household pets and humans. They are highly visible, severely limit the spread of the relatively low toxicity pellets to a confined area, are easily signposted, and make a clean up of the area quick, easy, and thorough.

It has been commented that the area above Murry Place , recently logged, replanted and poisoned has thousands of rabbits on it. This is not the case. At the moment it is level 1-2 This area (including the cemetery) needs regular control work night shooting with night vision and it is controllable. The real problem lies higher in the young pine plantation, particularly the area stretching along the hilltop from the Communication tower in both directions, south parallel to the flow of the river, and east along the back boundary off the Pines Plantation Even here the level is only about level 3 on the Maclean scale , if that, and could be permanently controlled with some well placed and cared for bait station placements in the pet friendly enclosures that have been used in the Regional park.

Reducing permanently the rabbit numbers in this area would go a long way to reducing rabbits numbers generally around the lower areas the subdivision. Long term one can take all the rabbits out of the equation in the subdivision but if a long years source of rabbits is not dealt with a few hundred meters away, they will always rapidly return.

I contend that regular control work is more effective than waiting until rabbit number are so high , action is forced upon the council., and urge you to a more proactive approach, using a combination of Bait Stations, Magtox Work , and where applicable, night shooting with night vision gear.

Im happy to answer any further questions you may have at any time..

Stephen Hunter.

Hi Arlene

Can you please include this email in the Tekapo Community Board Agenda.

Thanks

Wayne Barnett
Chief Executive Officer

Mackenzie District Council
 Cell: 027 275 6557
 DDI: 03 685 9013

From: Melanie Schauer [<mailto:Melanie.Schauer@ecan.govt.nz>]

Sent: Thursday, 6 November 2014 4:19 p.m.

To: Wayne Barnett

Subject: RE: Road Names

Kia ora Wayne,

I have spoken to Mandy about the Road name she suggested at the last meeting. The name is Rapuwai. Rapuwai was the name of what historians understand to be possibly the first people inhabiting Te wahi Pounamu/ South Island. They have been mostly forgotten, for a number of reasons. Some think that when Ngai Tahu came south, Rapuwai people were absorbed into Waitaha. However I am not sure how accurate this is.

I understand that Craig is sending you a proposal regarding preparing a cultural narrative as part of the Lake Front development.

From my discussions with Mandy and Craig the proposal will include:

- Use of native plantings to interpret the cultural history and connections to Takapo
- Several interpretation panels at key sites – e.g. Lake Shore and possibly up Mt John – content – historic trails, use of the stars to navigate and a bit about the people who relied on the area for food and access to the coast. Landmarks and names of the surrounding mountains.
- Road names and place names that give presence to the Maori connection to Takapo (yesterday , today and tomorrow)

Talk soon,
 Mel

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Tekapo Community Board

SUBJECT: Grant Request

MEETING DATE: 17 November 2014

REF: WAS7/9

FROM: Garth Nixon

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

For the Tekapo Community Board to consider a grant request from the Aoraki Multi Cultural Trust to cover the cost of Hall Hire for their monthly meetings

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Tekapo Community Board provide free hall hire by way of a monthly grant to cover their hall usage. This will equate to approximately \$930 over the 12 months Hall Hire at Local user rates

GARTH NIXON
COMMUNITY FACILITIES MANAGER

ATTACHMENTS:

Grant Request form Aoraki Multicultural Council

BACKGROUND:

This group is seeking support to provide a monthly meeting place for Migrant workers in Tekapo. They used the Tekapo hall for their original meeting and would like to continue to use it on a monthly basis.

POLICY STATUS:

Hall hire fees are set by the Community Board. I believe that as this is for the Tekapo people specifically it is appropriate to charge the local rate.

SIGNIFICANCE OF DECISION:

ISSUES & OPTIONS:

Options are to

1. Fund the Grant as requested
2. Part fund the Grant
3. Not fund the grant

CONSIDERATIONS:

Legal

Financial

They have requested a Grant of \$ 2000 to cover the Hall Hire for 12 months. If the local rate was charged, then the cost would be approximately half of that.

Other

The migrant workers meetings are also held in Twizel. They don't require financial assistance there as they are accommodated by the Twizel Community Care Trust Building at no charge. There are no such options in Tekapo.

ASSESSMENT OF OPTIONS:

1. Funding \$ 2000 as requested in this circumstance would not be required if the Local rate was charged.
2. Part funding the request to cover the Hall hire at local rates and this could be allocated months as the hall is used.
3. Not funding the Grant could see this die out before it starts

CONCLUSION:

By Funding the grant at \$1000 would see this programme start. By funding the hall hire after each usage would limit any risk of the Grant not being used for Tekapo purposes.

From: "Aoraki Migrant Support Coordinator" <aorakimigrantcentre@xtra.co.nz>
Subject: **Funding for use of Community Hall room in Tekapo**
Date: 30 September 2014 12:18:35 PM NZDT
To: <Pete.marg@xtra.co.nz>
Cc: "Kate Wright" <katewright2121@yahoo.co.nz>

Hi Peter,

I'm Rosie Knoppel the Aoraki Migrant Support Coordinator and Timaru Newcomers Network Coordinator. My employer is the Aoraki Multicultural Council who is a registered non-profit organisation.

We would like to use a room at the Tekapo Community as an office for about 3 to 4 hours the first Tuesday of every month. We will provide our services free of charge to Migrants and Newcomers in the Tekapo area. Our project to have an outreach office will greatly assist migrants and newcomers to settle, integrate and contribute to the local community and make them feel welcome.

The Aoraki Migrant Centre provides services with limited resources and stretched volunteer capacity, that is why we kindly ask you, the Tekapo Community Board, for funding to cover the cost of renting the room.

We would like to use the room for the first time on Tuesday 4 November 2014 from 9am – 1pm.

Thank you very much in advance for your support.

Please do not hesitate contact me for any further information.

Kind regards,

Rosie Knoppel
Migrant Support Coordinator

Aoraki Migrant Centre
Community House, 27 Strathallan St., Room 11
PO Box 983
Timaru 7910

tel 03 687 73 71 mobile 0210 837 77 17

email aorakimigrantcentre@xtra.co.nz

website www.aorakimulticulturalcouncil.org.nz



APPLICATION FOR GRANT

1. Name of Organisation/Individual:

Aoraki Multicultural Council Inc.

2. Address:

Aoraki Migrant Centre, Community House, 27 Strathallan St. Timaru

**Postal address: Aoraki Multicultural Council, c/- Community House,
PO Bag 983, Timaru 7940**

Telephone: 03 687 7371

Fax: _____

Email: aorakimigrantcentre@xtra.co.nz

3. Contact Person: Rosie Knoppel

Position: Migrant Support Coordinator and Newcomers Network Coordinator

Phone: Business: 03 687 7371

Phone: Home: 0210 837 7717

4. Please specify the legal status of your organisation:

Incorporated

5. Is your organisation recognised as a non profit body by the Inland Revenue Department?

Yes/No

6. Name of principal officers:

Chairperson/President: Tony Howey

Secretary: Chetan Nayyar

Treasurer: Arun Sharma

7. State your organisation's purpose and objectives:

The Aoraki Multicultural Council is a non-government organization which supports migrants, former refugees and people from minority ethnicities in the Aoraki region with their settlement processes. It also promotes positive race relations through community education, helping people of all ethnicities feel integrated so that they can actively contribute to our community.

8. How long has your organisation existed?

Since May 2008

9. Is your organisation responsible to or controlled by any other organisation/authority?

Please specify: We are affiliated to (but not responsible or controlled by) New Zealand Federation of Multicultural Councils

10. What level of funding does your organisation request from the Mackenzie District Council?

\$ 2000

11. State the purpose for which the grant is requested:

The grant will be used to cover the cost for hiring the meeting room at the Tekapo Community Hall for one year and to offer refreshments.

The meeting room will be used as our reach out office for 4-5 hours per month. We will provide support free of charge for migrants and newcomers in the Tekapo area.

The Aoraki "Settling In" report clearly showed the social and geographical isolation for new migrants and lack of knowledge of what services are available to them.

Tekapo tourism industry increasingly depends on Migrant people to live and work in the primary and hospitality industry. It is very important for both industries, the migrants and their employer to understand that there is support available.

We also intend to organise a Coffee Morning where Migrants and Newcomers can meet and make new friends. They will feel welcome and accepted, that will promote a healthy and harmonious lifestyle in the community

12. State the number whom you expect will benefit from the grant you are requesting:

Members: this service is not specific to our members

Others: The focus is to support migrants and newcomers in Tekapo and surrounding areas.

13. Has your organisation reviewed the FundView database to assess possible funding sources?

Yes/No

14. Please list other grants applied for/received for this purpose:

Funding Source	Amount
COGS – This funding only covers wages and travel of the Migrant Support Coordinator	\$ 15,000

15. Has your organisation received a grant from the Mackenzie District Council during the past five years?

If so, please specify: n.a.

16. If your organisation is registered for GST, please supply your GST number:

17. Please supply a copy of your latest audited financial statements.

DECLARATION

I hereby declare that the information supplied here on behalf of my organisation is correct:

Name: Rosie Knoppel

Position: Migrant Support Coordinator and Newcomers Network Coordinator

Signature:  _____

Date: 03 November 2014



Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of the Aoraki Multicultural Council.

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements attached which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014, the statement of financial performance, an asset schedule and a summary of significant accounting policies.

Aoraki Multicultural Council's Responsibility for the Financial Statements.

The Committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). These standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as evaluation the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Council.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Financial Performance

As is usual with organisations of this nature, control over revenue from cash revenues prior to being recorded is limited, and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control. Consequently we were unable to determine whether any adjustments to these amounts were necessary.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the Council as at 31 March 2014 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.


mitchell audit
 15 August 2014
 Timaru, New Zealand



AORAKI MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2014

		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
		2014	2013
INCOME:			
	MEMBERSHIP FEES	180.00	240.00
	DONATIONS	2,000.00	96.60
	KOHA	333.40	0.00
	FUNDING: MSD	3,450.00	0.00
	FUNDING: COGS	15,000.00	0.00
	FUNDING: MID/SOUTH C C TRUST	15,000.00	0.00
	MOVIE NIGHT	-	25.00
	INTEREST	89.73	0.00
TOTAL INCOME		36,053.13	361.60
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
		2014	2013
EXPENSES:			
	ADVERTISING	228.35	0.00
	AUDIT FEE	402.50	0.00
	AUDIO HIRE	100.00	0.00
	BANK FEE	3.00	0.00
	DEPRECIATION(LAP TOP)	37.50	62.50
	GIFTS/FLOWERS ETC	360.00	0.00
	CUTLERY ETC	42.33	263.82
	I T EXPENSES	39.00	0.00
	PETTY CASH EXPENSES		137.94
	HALL/STALL HIRE	410.00	570.25
	RENT	795.30	0.00
	PHONE/LINE CHARGES	102.29	0.00
	PRINTING & STATIONERY	2,704.07	243.13
	REGISTRATION FEE NZFMC	401.11	250.00
	SOCIAL FUNCTION	-	0.00
	TRAVEL EXPENSES	661.03	30.00
	WEBSITE	189.00	196.60
	WAGES	2,720.18	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		9,195.66	1,754.24
EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME-NET DEFICIT		26,857.47	
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		26,857.47	- 1,392.64



AORAKI MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2014

	<u>THIS YEAR</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>LAST YEAR</u> <u>2013</u>
CURRENT ASSETS:		
WESTPAC TRUST	27,724.13	644.91
PETTY CASH	12.50	0
INTEREST RWT	29.61	
Total	27,766.24	644.91
FIXED ASSETS:		
IBM T42 LAPTOP COMPUTER	56.24	93.74
Total	56.24	93.74
TOTAL ASSETS:	27,822.48	738.65
CURRENT LIABILITY:		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	0.00	30.00
PAYE OWING	256.36	0.00
Total	256.36	30.00
TOTAL LIABILITY:	256.36	30.00
EQUITY:		
OPENING BALANCE: 01/04/2013	708.65	2100.99
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	26,857.47	(-1392.64)
TOTAL EQUITY CLOSING BALANCE: 31/03/2014	27,566.12	708.65
TOTAL EQUITY + LIABILITY	27,822.48	738.65

KATE ELSEN
VICE CHAIR PERSON

ARUN SHARMA
TREASURER

	AORAKI MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL INCORPORATED DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE
FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2014	

	<u>Opening</u> Book Value	<u>Depreciation</u> 40% Diminishing Value 12 Months	<u>Closing</u> Book Value 31/03/2014
I B M T 42 LAPTOP COMPUTER	93.74	37.50	56.24

	AORAKI MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL INCORPORATED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2014	

To be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements

- 1) The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic cost.
- 2) The Council qualifies to report under differential reporting as it is not publicly accountable and does not qualify as large. The Council has taken advantage of all differential reporting exemptions.
- 3) The Council is not registered for GST and is not liable for income tax.
- 4) The IBM Laptop was purchased by the Council in September 2009. It is stated at cost less depreciation. The depreciation is calculated at 40% per year using the diminishing value method.
- 5) The grants income shown in the statement of financial performance were applied for and granted for the purposes of assisting with renting premises, employing staff and operational costs. Of the major grants the COGS grant has no time conditions, whereas the Mid South Canterbury Community Trust grant is required to be spent within twelve months of receipt. The Council has decided not to apportion these grants between years.
- 6) There have been no changes in accounting policy. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those used in previous years.

From: Simon Waymouth <simon@tekapo.school.nz>
 Subject: **Lake Tekapo School - Hall**
 Date: 18 September 2014 3:49:44 PM NZST
 To: pete.marg@xtra.co.nz
 1 Attachment, 687 KB

Dear Mr Munro,

I apologise for e-mailing "out of the blue" and I will follow up this e-mail with the attached snail mail letter to you. I am writing regarding the lake Tekapo School's usage of the School's hall. It has come to my notice this may have been raised informally prior to this formal request and I hope that this does not negatively impact on the intent of the letter.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Simon Waymouth



May our goals take us as high as the mountains, our learning as deep as the lake and our knowledge shine through like the night sky.

12th September 2014

Dear Mr Munro,

I am writing to seek clarification regarding the Tekapo Community Hall and usage for our small, local community school. This issue has arisen with the booking of the hall for our School's Production. As a school we really appreciate the availability of the hall and see this facility as an important link with our community and learning.

As a school we are very aware of the costs incurred by you with the use of the Community Hall. We wondered if there was any possibility of greater accessibility and discussing possible options we as a school could pursue to make this more affordable.

Due to the cost, the School currently uses the hall for arranged events only and has in the past asked for dispensation for its usage. These events have included the School Production, Jumble Sale and Sports requests with visitors to the school. We are hoping that we could come to an agreement whereby the school would have easier access for activities which would warrant "school hall" use. The community hall could then become an extension to our learning environment and a natural addition to the school. This would include areas such as Winter Sports options, Dance, Parent Community events and so on.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter and it would be really great to be able to discuss any possible options with you. We are fully realistic about the logistics and the trust that needs to be built in making this relationship work.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Simon Waymouth

Hi Arlene,

Can you put this on the next Community Board agenda

Thanks

Murray

From: LTS Jumble Sale [<mailto:jumble4school@gmail.com>]

Sent: Friday, October 31, 2014 1:13 PM

To: m.cox@xtra.co.nz

Subject: Lake Tekapo School JUMBLE SALE

Dear Lake Tekapo Community Board Members,

Last weekend's Jumble Sale was once again a wonderfully supported community event, with all proceeds funding an upcoming educational school trip to Mt Cook, and much needed classroom technology.

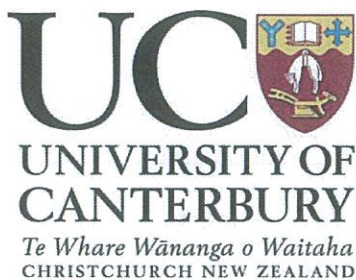
The Jumble Sale is a huge undertaking relative to the funds it brings in, but we believe after 14 years it continues to be an extremely worthwhile event, not only for the school but for the whole community!

However, as the current hall cost of \$350 equates to almost 15% of this years takings, we would sincerely appreciate the Board's consideration toward subsidising this cost as it generously did last year.

Many thanks for your time. I look forward to your response.

Regards,

Delwyn Newman



University of Canterbury
Private Bag 4800
Christchurch 8140
New Zealand
9 October 2014

Peter Munro,
Chair, Tekapo Community Board,
7 D'Archiac Drive,
Lake Tekapo 7999.

Dear Peter

**Application to the Tekapo Community Board for a grant to support
two astronomy conferences in the Tekapo Community Hall**

Two independent but consecutive astronomy conferences will be held in the Tekapo Community Hall in May 2015. They are:

- The Mt John 50th anniversary symposium, to mark 50 years of Mt John University Observatory at Tekapo, 7 and 8 May 2015 (see www.mjuo50.org.nz);
- The annual conference of the Royal Astronomical Society of New Zealand, 9 and 10 May 2015.

Both these conferences are coming to Tekapo because of the long association of Mt John Observatory with the village. The observatory was opened in July 1965 in the Community Hall. Since then hundreds of students have visited the observatory to collect scientific data and hundreds of thousands of visitors have come to Tekapo to see the stars and the night sky. The international reputation of Tekapo is based not only on the beauty of its landscape, but on the stunning night skies, which have been promoted by the recently created International Dark Sky Reserve (since 2012) and by the observatory's agreement with Earth and Sky Ltd.

For both these important conferences, which will recognize the reputation of Tekapo for astronomical research and astro-tourism, we have booked the Tekapo Community Hall. Garth Nixon at the Mackenzie District Council has advised the daily rate for the complex is \$350 for local non-commercial organizations and \$750 for those which are non-local or commercial.

The first conference is being hosted by the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Canterbury, who own and operate the observatory at Tekapo. However, there will be no financial support for the conference from the university. It needs to be a self-funding event supported by participants and any sponsorship funding (if some can be found). I am hoping that the lower rate will apply, as Mt John is a local and non-commercial entity.

The second conference is hosted by RASNZ. It is a national but non-commercial organization. Garth Nixon advises that the higher daily fee will probably apply. He also suggested that I apply for a grant from the Tekapo Community Board to offset costs for both events. I note that RASNZ is almost entirely an amateur organization, which means that the members participating in this conference have to pay for their own travel, accommodation and conference registration fee. The high Hall venue fee will hit the participants quite hard in the pocket and deter them from coming to Tekapo.

Tekapo Community Hall

Hall hire costs for Mt John 50 th anniversary symposium 7, 8 May 2015, at \$350/day	\$700
Hall hire costs for RASNZ annual conference 9, 10 May 2015 at \$750/day	\$1500
Total hire costs	\$2200



7th November 2014

Peter Munro
Chair
Tekapo Community Board

Re: Application for funding

Dear Peter

Thank you for considering our application for funding for the Tekapo Springs Information Centre.

After much consideration and review of your Board's request to present a service contract option, we have decided to withdraw our application.

Kind Regards

Cathy Hemsworth
General Manager

CC: Deputy Chair Stella Sweney

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