

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE LAKE TEKAPO COMMUNITY HALL ON WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH 2012 AT 5.00 PM

PRESENT:

Murray Cox (Chairman)
Cr Peter Maxwell
Peter Munro
Ian Radford

IN ATTENDANCE:

Claire Barlow (Mayor)
Glen Innes (Chief Executive Officer)
Paul Morris (Manager – Finance and Administration)
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)
Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)
Suzy Ratahi (Manager – Roading)
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

I APOLOGY:

Resolved that an apology be received from Alan Hayman.

Peter Maxwell/Ian Radford

II DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest.

III MINUTES:

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of the Tekapo Community Board held on 13 February 2012 be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Ian Radford/Peter Maxwell

MATTERS UNDER ACTION:

1. **Community Facilities – Invoices for Playground and Sundial Projects:**
Completed.
2. **Civil Defence Wardens:**
The Chairman said he would keep in touch with the Emergency Management Officer regarding the appointment of wardens.
3. **Community Centre:**
 - Landscaping plan to be developed.
 - Entrance proposal has been submitted to the engineer.
4. **Landscaping at the Church of the Good Shepherd**
The Manager – Roading undertook to discuss the design proposals for sealed steps with Ian Radford and the Community Facilities Manager.

5. **Walkway by the Dam up to Murray Place:**

The Manager Roding said she would investigate the formation of a shoulder on the walkway.

IV REPORTS:

2. REMUNERATION POOL FOR ELECTED MEMBERS:

This report from the Chief Executive Officer advised of a revised and slightly increased remuneration pool for elected members for the 2012/13 year. The report sought Board endorsement of the previous method of allocation to the new pool.

Resolved that the report be received.

Ian Radford/Peter Munro

Resolved:

1. That the Tekapo Community Board notes that the Remuneration Authority had issued a new indicative remuneration pool for the 2012/13 financial year.
2. That the Tekapo Community supports the Council applying its previously agreed relativities to the new remuneration pool resulting in the following salaries being payable from 1 July 2012.

Chairpersons Community Boards	\$3,992
Members Community Boards	\$1,596

Peter Maxwell/Paul Morris

3. STARLIGHT RESERVE:

The Mayor told the Community Board about the application by the Starlight Reserve Working Committee to the International Dark Skies Association for recognition as a Starlight Reserve, which had been made in February 2012. A public meeting had been held recently at Lake Tekapo to inform the local people about the project.

The Mayor said that it was hoped that the application would be evaluated in time for an announcement on its success or otherwise at the Third International Starlight Conference which was to be held at Lake Tekapo from 11-13 June 2012.

She said that the Working Party's long term aim remained the achievement of World Heritage status as a Starlight Reserve based on core areas at Mt John and the Mt Cook airport. To this end, a two day workshop was to be held at Mt Cook following the International Starlight Conference to plan a way forward in making a case to UNESCO's World Heritage Committee to amend its convention to allow the inclusion of a landscape with a night sky in the list of potential sites for recognition.

The Mayor said that Margaret Austin, Chairman of the Starlight Reserve Working Committee, had asked the Council to support the workshop by

funding a \$5,000 shortfall. The Mayor suggested that the Tekapo Community Board might like to contribute, in recognition of the significance of the Starlight Reserve project to Lake Tekapo.

Resolved that the Tekapo Community Board grants \$2,500.00 towards the UNESCO World Heritage Case Study Workshop at Mt Cook and recommends that the Council matches its grant.

Peter Maxwell /Ian Radford

4. WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Maxwell updated the Board on the Long Term Plan process and progress with the Village Centre development.

5. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE BOARD ON OTHER COMMITTEES:

Peter Munro reported on progress with regard to the Lake Tekapo Footbridge Committee's fundraising efforts and the Mackenzie Alpine Trusts construction of the South Opuha Hut.

The Chairman advised that verbal approval had been given for the establishment of a camping ground at the Regional Park for the New Zealand Motor Caravan Association. He said it was hoped that the project would be completed by next summer. He reported on his meetings with Environment Canterbury regarding signage, interpretation board, maps etc for the Park.

1. BUDGETS FOR THE LONG TERM PLAN 2012-2013:

This report from the Manager – Finance and Administration was accompanied by the proposed budgets for the 10 years 2012 to 2022.

Resolved that the report be received.

Ian Radford/Peter Maxwell

The Manager – Finance and Administration explained the rationale underlying changes to the rating system which the Council was proposing and gave a power point presentation which illustrated:

- The *Big Picture*
- The Growth Dividend
- The Rating Changes Council was proposing.
- Detail of the Pragmatic Approach Council had taken
- The Ten-Year Effect of the Amalgamation of Water and Sewer Rates
- The Capex Share for Water and Sewage over the Decades for the Three Townships
- The Impact on Twizel Ratepayers Comparing Separate Water and Sewage to Combined Water and Sewage
- The Impact on Twizel Ratepayers Comparing Separate Utilities to Combined Utilities Thirty Years Out

The meeting was adjourned at 6.40 pm for tea and reconvened at 7.10 pm

The Community Board considered the budgets for:

- Tekapo Community Board
- Tekapo Township
- Tekapo Investment Income
- Tekapo Community Hall
- Tekapo Roothing

Resolved that the Tekapo Community Board strongly recommends to the Council that when considering the allocation of funds from the Land Subdivision Reserve, the Council has regard to the source of the funds.

Peter Munro/Ian Radford

The Manager – Finance and Administration presented the list of proposed capital expenditure.

The Community Board then considered the effect of the proposed budgets on rates for a selection of indicator properties in the Tekapo community.

Resolved:

1. That the contribution to the Capital Reserve be increased to:
 - a. \$85,000 in Year 1
 - b. \$135,000 in Year 2, and
 - c. \$150,000 in Year 3.
2. That the Budgets as presented, with the above amendments be adopted to realise the following income for Tekapo Works and Services Rates:
 - Year 1 \$317,916.00
 - Year 2 \$379,993.00
 - Year 3 \$391,187.

Ian Radford/Peter Munro

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE
CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.35 PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____