

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE SERVICE CENTRE TWIZEL ON MONDAY 31 AUGUST 2009 AT 3.00 PM

PRESENT:

John Bishop (Chairman)
Phil Rive
Dave Pullen
Peter Bell

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cr Simon McDermott (from 3.35 pm)
Glen Innes (Chief Executive Officer)
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)
Paul Morris (Manager – Finance and Administration)
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

I APOLOGY:

Resolved that an apology be received from Khandro.

Dave Pullen/Peter Bell

The Chairman also noted that an apology had been received from the Mayor.

II MINUTES:

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of the Twizel Community Board held on 20 June 2009 be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Phil Rive/Dave Pullen

MATTERS ARISING:

1. Water Agreement:

The Community Facilities Manager advised that some amendments had been made to the agreement which had yet to be signed by the Twizel Area School.

2. Maryburn Greenway:

Resolved:

1. That the Maryburn Greenway project proceed as soon as possible.
2. That the footpath be finished with asphalt.
3. That the budget for the project be set at \$27,000.

Dave Pullen/Phil Rive

IV REPORTS:

1. FINANCIAL REPORT – 30 JUNE 2009

This report from the Manager – Finance and Administration provided an update of the cost centres under the Twizel Community Board's jurisdiction for the year ended 30 June 2009.

- Resolved that the report be received.

John Bishop/Peter Bell

The Manager – Finance and Administration provided an updated report on the Twizel Rooding cost centre. He advised six weekly financial reports would be provided to the Community Board henceforth which would enable members to keep a better handle on the cost centres.

2. REQUEST FROM THE TWIZEL YOUTH GROUP:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager was accompanied by a letter from Penny Stead and Sergio Vallesi seeking approval to hold a Farmers' Market on the Basketball Court adjacent to the Twizel Swimming Pool and Events Centre and suggesting the addition of a skate board bowl to the skate park.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Twizel Community Board approves of the proposal to hold a Farmers' Market on the Basketball Court adjacent to the Twizel Pool and Events Centre commencing on 31 October 2009 and running weekly through the summer months.
3. That the Twizel Community Board supports an investigation into the proposed skate board bowl.

John Bishop/Phil Rive

3. STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES:

This was the record of the meeting of the Twizel Events Centre Steering Committee held on 5 August 2009.

Resolved that the report be received

Peter Bell/John Bishop

Cr McDermott suggested that the Committee would be well advised to advertise for expressions of interest from the public when seeking new members to join the Steering Committee.

4. TWIZEL RETURNED AND SERVICES ASSOCIATION:

This was a request from the Twizel Returned and Services Association to purchase property beside the RSA on Tasman Road.

Peter Bell said the Board should obtain information about the intended use of the land and when it would be developed.

The Chairman undertook to organise a meeting with the RSA Committee when the Manager – Finance and Administration had provided a valuation of the land.

5. GREENWAY STRATEGY:

Peter Bell reported that 500 deciduous trees had been ordered and would be trenched temporarily.

He said a new community group had been formed - *Friends of the Twizel River Reserve* and the members were keen to look after and develop the reserve.

He advised that *Project Crimson* which involved the planting of native trees throughout Department of Conservation land was beginning on 18 September 2009.

He said the Department of Conservation was also involved in the development of tracks and car parks. He was seeking help from Department of Conservation to have the loop track marked out with posts and was also hoping to work with them to produce a map of all the tracks.

Mr Bell referred to an offer from Tom Barr to swap land to provide access from Glencairn to the greenway. The Community Facilities Manager undertook to liaise directly with Mr Barr.

Phil Rive referred to plans for a shingle track down to the lake. He said that feedback from the community to the work which had already been done had been mainly positive.

6. WARD MEMBERS REPORT:

Cr Pullen updated the Community Board on solid waste management proposals for Twizel including the role of staff in looking after recycling bins, the possibility of shipping co-mingled recyclables to Christchurch and the disposal of dry residual material.

Cr McDermott warned of the dangers of continuing to react to random issues and reiterated his suggestion that the District's Solid Waste Strategy be reviewed by an independent auditor.

The Chairman referred to the free recycling bins trial in Twizel and his concern that it was not achieving the desired result.

Resolved that it be recommended to the Council that all the free, blue recycling bins in the Twizel Township, including the bottle bank be removed forthwith to the Resource Recovery Park.

John Bishop/Peter Bell

IV GENERAL:

1. USE OF CHIPPER FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Phil Rive referred to enquiries made to staff at the Resource Recovery Park for the use of the chipper and his opinion that the Community Board should be the first point of contact for such requests. With the agreement of the Board he undertook to advertise contact details and information regarding the availability of the chipper for community projects in the next few editions of the *Twizel Update*.

2. RUATANIWHA LAGOON AND RESERVE AREA

Phil Rive referred to the changing of some traffic routes through the area which he had described to the members at the informal Greenways Strategy meeting held earlier in the day. He said that it was intended initially to redirect traffic with rocks before any permanent changes were made.

The Community Board members confirmed their agreement of the concept.

3. TURBINE RUNNER FROM MERIDIAN ENERGY

Cr McDermott advised that an obsolete turbine runner was to be taken from Benmore and could be obtained for Twizel.

It was agreed that Cr McDermott advise Meridian Energy Ltd that the Board would like to take the runner for inclusion in the machinery display on the basis that it would be at no cost to the Board.

4. HALL CHAIRS AND TABLE HIRE – REQUEST TO DONATE TO TWIZEL VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

Cr McDermott advised that the Twizel Volunteer Fire Brigade had hosted a tournament at the Twizel Events Centre. He suggested that the Community Board provide a grant to cover the cost of the hire of the Events Centre and the tables and chairs used for the event. He noted that the Fire Brigade undertook free fire checks of the Events Centre.

Resolved that a grant be made to the Twizel Volunteer Fire Brigade to cover the cost of the hire of the Twizel Events Centre and the tables and chairs used for the recent Fire Brigades' Tournament.

John Bishop/Phil Rive

5. TWIZEL BROCHURE:

Peter Bell referred to his hope that the walking tracks could be included in the new Twizel Brochure. He said he had since been advised that a new street map was under production. He suggested that a walking track tear-off map could also be produced and that in future the walking tracks be included as dotted lines on the street map.

6. MEMORIAL TREE:

The Chairman advised of a request from Vicki Hayes for approval to plant a tree as a memorial to her late husband.

The potential issues associated with privately planted memorial trees were discussed. Cr McDermott suggested that such plantings be confined to the Twizel cemetery land.

The Community Facilities Manager said he had been in contact with Mrs Hayes and suggested that she could donate a tree to be planted in Twizel, however a plaque would not be permitted. He undertook to liaise with her and negotiate an acceptable outcome to her request.

7. MARKET PLACE PATHWAYS:

The Community Facilities Manager advised that a refund of \$8,000 had been received to replace the lime chips on the pathways in Market Place with concrete.

Resolved that in conjunction with the concreting of the lime chipped paths, the paths around the band rotunda in Market Place be concreted and the paving of the pathway from Market Place to the supermarket be completed and that the expenditure be added to the Market Place Upgrade cost centre.

Dave Pullen/Peter Bell

8. LETTER FROM HIGH COUNTRY HEALTH:

The Chairman read a letter from the General Manager of High Country Health which requested that the building consent fee for the extensions to be built on the Twizel Medical Centre be waived.

Resolved that it be recommended to the Mackenzie District Council that a grant of approximately \$1,200 be made to cover the cost of the building consent fee for extensions to the Twizel Medical Centre and that it be funded 50% by the Twizel Community Board and 50% by the Council.

Peter Bell/John Bishop

The Chief Executive Officer undertook to respond to High Country Health Ltd.

9. VARIOUS MATTERS:

Phil Rive undertook to request the owner of the **roller that the hire charge** for its use on the walking track be donated.

Cr McDermott said that the **fountain outside the Service Centre** was in an unsafe condition and advised that the Community Board consider its future.

He also noted that the **former playground site** had been left in an untidy condition following the removal of the play equipment.

The Chairman drew attention to the untidy condition of the **gardens alongside the carpark.**

The Community Facilities Manager advised he would to deal with the playground and garden issues.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the Minister of Arts, Culture and Heritage wished to encourage communities to celebrate **Waitangi Day** with special events. He asked the Board to let him know if they wanted to pursue the suggestion in February 2010.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE
CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4.44 PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____