

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE LAKE TEKAPO COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY 25 OCTOBER 2011 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)
Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)
Suzy Ratahi (Manager – Roding)
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

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 12 September 2011 be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Peter Maxwell/Alan Hayman

MATTERS UNDER ACTION

- 1. Correspondence from Pete Speedy – the area west of the Power Board Club House and Boat Ramp:**
The meeting with Mr Speedy had yet to take place.
- 2. Community Facilities:**
Invoices had yet to be received for grants to be paid for the playground and sundial projects.
- 3. Trees on the Corner of Aorangi Crescent and State Highway 8:**
The Community Facilities Manager displayed a plan for the planting and beautification of the area which had been drawn by Colin McLaren. The Community Facilities Manager expressed reservations about promoting the planting of Sorbus and Acer Rubrum trees. He undertook to finalise details with Mr McLaren having worked through the issues around the school boundary and tree species with him.

It was agreed that the plan be adopted in principle.

Ian Radford recommended Mr McLaren be publicly commended for his efforts.

3. **Unsealed Road Maintenance Budget:**

The Manager – Roading advised that the cost of upgrading Andrew Don Drive would be between \$5,000 and \$8,000. It had not been provided for in the current year's budget. In the meantime she suggested that the road could be graded.

4. **Lakeside Drive Walkway:**

Peter Maxwell advised that he was yet to convene an onsite meeting with the Asset Manager and Barry Green regarding the suggestion that more lighting was needed to encourage people to use the walkway.

5. **Civil Defence:**

The Chairman advised that he had provided Emergency Management Officer Ray Gardner with updated information following the meeting with Community Board members and that Mr Gardner would be approaching prospective wardens for the Tekapo area.

VISITOR:

The Chairman welcomed Sam Staley from the Balmoral Military Camp. Mr Staley advised of an upcoming military exercise which was to start on 31 October 2011 for about two weeks. He said the action was expected to culminate in the extensive use of mortars and artillery in the Tekapo area around 9 November 2011.

Mr Staley said tenure review negotiations had concluded and a substantive proposal had been signed off by Braemar Station. He said the Department of Conservation had negotiated a change to the initial plan, viz the proposed permit system for access to the Braemar Dome through Defence Force land had been replaced by a pedestrian accessway to the area. Access would not be permitted into the main part of the block in the interests of public safety.

Mr Staley referred to his desire to begin wilding tree control as soon as possible but said that it could not happen until the land ownership issues had been finalised.

He reported that, in terms of the Army's contribution to the community, the Camp had hosted about 115 cub scouts from Ashburton for three days and had plans for further camps for students from Ashburton College.

Mr Staley then referred to his role as a member of the Mackenzie Lakes Coast Guard Unit which recently, with four boats and 14 crew, had become a fully affiliated coast guard unit.

IV REPORTS:

1. **FINANCIAL REPORT – AUGUST 2011:**

This report from the Manager – Finance and Administration was accompanied by the financial report for the Board for the period to August 2011.

Resolved that the report be received.

Peter Maxwell/Ian Radford

2. FREEDOM CAMPING:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager referred to the need to make a bylaw consistent with the new Freedom Camping Act 2011.

The report was accompanied by the amended Camping on Roadway and Reserves Bylaw, the LGNZ Quarterly Review – September 2011 and an aerial photograph of the Lake Tekapo area.

Resolved that the report be received.

Ian Radford/Peter Munro

It was agreed that the issue be included on the Agenda for the next Community Board meeting by which time discussions should have been completed with the Mt Hay Station Trustees regarding potential camping sites in the Pines Beach area and with Genesis to ascertain if freedom camping might be permitted along the canal roads.

3. REVIEW OF DOG CONTROL BYLAW:

This report from the Manager – Planning and Regulations sought comment and feedback on aspects of the ‘Mackenzie District Council Dog Control Bylaw 2006 – Control of Dogs’ as they related to Lake Tekapo Township.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That it be recommended that the Dog Control Bylaw be amended to permit dogs on leashes in the Lake Tekapo Village Centre.

Peter Maxwell/Ian Redford

It was requested that a kennel be provided in the Township to house dogs which were picked up.

The Chairman noted that provision had been made for a dog exercise area in the Regional Park.

4. LAKESIDE DRIVE SAFETY FOOTPATH:

This report from the Manager – Roading advised of the options for the construction of a concrete safety footpath on Lakeside Drive.

Resolved that the report be received.

Ian Radford/Peter Munro

The Manager – Roading circulated an update of her report which included pricing options.

Resolved that the reinforced concrete path option be used on the safety footpath on Lakeside Drive and that the project begin at each end of the footpath to provide two visual entrances to discourage pedestrians from walking along the roadside.

Peter Munro/Ian Radford

5. REVIEW OF LOCAL AUTHORITY REMUNERATION SETTING:

This was a discussion document from the Remuneration Authority inviting submissions to facilitate a review of how the Authority goes about setting remuneration for elected members of local authorities in a way that meets the requirements of the Local Government Act and the Remuneration Authority Act.

Resolved that the report be received.

Peter Maxwell /Alan Hayman

The Acting Chief Executive Officer invited members to contact him or the Senior Planner if they had any comments or questions about the discussion document.

6. NEW ZEALAND CYCLE TRAILS NETWORK EXPANSION PROJECT:

This letter from the Ministry of Economic Development advised of a new phase of work initiated under the New Zealand Cycle Trail. The project related to a long term vision for cycle trails which would link up existing routes.

Resolved that the report be received.

Peter Munro/Ian Radford

The Chairman suggested that comment on the project be included in the Long Term Plan. Peter Munro undertook to take account of the information in the development of the Walking and Cycling Strategy.

7. WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Maxwell provided an update on the activities of the Tekapo Property Development Subcommittee.

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

Peter Munro reported that:

- The **Lake Tekapo Footbridge Committee** fundraising fashion show was to be held on 19 November 2011.

- The **Tekapo White Water Trust** had had its first release for the season. The 2011 NZ Pyranha *Tekapo Throwdown* was to be held on 5 and 6 November 2011. A schedule of events on the course was to be included on the Tekapo Promotions website and signs were to be commissioned. An international consultant had been employed to provide a plan for the upgrading of the course
- **The Mackenzie Alpine Trust** which operated the McCauley Hut and the Camp Stream Hut had applied for consent to relocate and rebuild the South Opuha Hut.

The Chairman referred to the **Lake Tekapo Regional Park** and advised:

- That the consent for the motor caravan park was awaited.
- Environment Canterbury was considering its spending on the park for the year including bollards, signs, kiosk and rabbit control.
- Night shooting had been carried.
- The Tekapo Lions Club had planted a stand of giant redwood trees at the Regional Park.
- Storage tanks were filling with water for fire fighting and irrigation purposes.

V PUBLIC EXCLUDED:

Resolved that the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Tekapo Community Centre

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Tekapo Community Centre	Commercial Sensitivity	48(1)(a)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, are as follows: *Tekapo Community Centre*, section 7(2)(b)(ii).

Peter Maxwell /Ian Radford

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.31 PM

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____