

# MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE SERVICE CENTRE TWIZEL ON MONDAY 7 MAY 2012 AT 3.00 PM

### PRESENT:

Peter Bell (Chairman)  
Cr John Bishop  
Elaine Curin  
Phil Rive

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)  
Nathan Hole (Manager – Planning and Regulations)  
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)  
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

### I APOLOGY:

Resolved that an apology be received from Kieran Walsh.

**Phil Rive/Elaine Curin**

### II DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest.

### III MINUTES:

Resolved that the Minutes of the meetings of the Twizel Community Board held on 26 March 2012 and 17 April 2012 be confirmed and adopted as the correct records of the meetings.

**John Bishop/Phil Rive**

### MATTERS ARISING:

#### **Twizel Water Supply Resource Consent:**

The Asset Manager explained the recent progress made to avoid a hearing by achieving agreement with Fish & Game, the only party opposed to the consent. Fish & Game had required a management plan to put in place restrictions when the Waitaki Water Allocation Plan was implemented. As a consequence, the other parties, Ruataniwha Farms and Frank Hocken, had indicated that they would withdraw their right to be heard.

#### **Scenic Viewing Areas:**

The Manager – Planning and Regulations referred to the issue which had been discussed at the previous meeting relating to trees compromising a Scenic Viewing

Area. He explained that Scenic Viewing Area rules did not apply outside the view shafts. He said the Plan was silent about clearing trees which had grown and compromised a Scenic Viewing Area.

Resolved that it be recommended to the Council that the Twizel Scenic Viewing areas be specifically reviewed during the next review of the District Plan.

**Phil Rive/Elaine Curin**

Resolved that, in the meantime, the Community Board consults with the public regarding the removal of some of the trees compromising Scenic Viewing Areas in the Township.

**Peter Bell/Phil Rive**

### **Market Place Landscaping**

The Community Facilities Manager advised that two tenders had been received which would be submitted to the Council for consideration.

### **Power Supply – Market Place Kiosk**

The Community Facilities Manager advised that the contractor he had engaged to convert the three-phase power system in the Market Place Kiosk to number of single phase outlets had advised that he was unavailable. An alternative contractor was suggested.

### **Warrants for Enforcement of Council’s Bylaw under the Freedom Camping Act 2011**

The Community Facilities Manager undertook to provide those people who had been warranted with guidelines and a copy of the bylaw.

### **North West Arch Kerbing**

The Asset Manager advised that prices for the project had come in \$20,000 over budget – about twice the normal rate - as a result of the level of concrete kerbing that was being undertaken following the earthquakes in Christchurch. He said the Manager – Roading was considering, as an alternative project, the construction of a footpath along the Ohau Road track which would help to divert traffic from the road and she would seek a price to complete the work. The funds had to be spent by the end of the financial year.

### **Cancer Society Shade Development Project:**

The Chairman noted that he had received another letter from the Cancer Society and asked that it be included on the Agenda for the next Community Board meeting.

## **IV REPORT:**

### **1. MINOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT LIST**

This report from the Manager – Roading referred to the Council’s wish to consider a full list of roading improvement projects for completion during the first three years of the Long Term Plan.

Resolved that the report be received.

**Elaine Curin/Phil Rive**

The Asset Manager said the list prepared by staff was not all inclusive and suggested that Board members give some thought to projects including justification and priorities.

The Chairman undertook to arrange a time for the Manager – Roading to meet with Board members to consider items for inclusion on the project list.

2. MARION SHERIDAN’S POEM:

The Community Board considered a letter from Mary McLachlan and Bev Billyard of Dunedin who suggested the plaque in Market Place with Marion Sheridan’s poem should be restored.

Phil Rive reported the plaque had since been polished and finished with clear epoxy which should protect it for many years.

The Chairman advised he had responded to the writers to let them know that the plaque had been restored.

3. TWIZEL FEES AND CHARGES:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager requested the Community Board to review fees and charges for Twizel Community Facilities. He noted Council’s policy was to recover 20% of operational costs by way of fees and charges.

The Community Facilities Manager said the new charges would come into effect on 1 July 2012.

He referred to the Gym Club and the need to bring those fees and charges into line. The Chairman undertook to arrange a meeting with the Gym Club early in June to discuss the issues.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the following schedule of Fees and Charges be adopted:

**TWIZEL EVENTS CENTRE**

*Casual Hire*

**SPORTS HALL**

**Local**

\$21.00

**Commercial**

\$29.00

**THEATRE**

**Local**

\$21.00

<b>Commercial</b>	\$37.00
<b>COMMUNITY ROOM &amp; KITCHEN</b>	
<b>Local</b>	\$16.00
<b>Commercial</b>	\$48.00

**GYMNASIUM**

Casual Use: - \$7 per session or \$14 per weekend plus \$25 bond for swipe card  
 Members: - \$15 per month, \$45 three months, \$40 per month family membership  
 (children over 16)

**SQUASH**

Membership - \$55 per annum (includes \$25 individual swipe card bond)  
 Casual use - \$7 per court plus \$25 bond for swipe card

**TWIZEL SWIMMING POOL**

Adult Session	\$3.50
Child Session	\$2.50
Preschool Session	\$1.00
Adult Concession Ticket	\$35.00
Child Concession Ticket	\$25.00
Adult Season Pass	\$135.00
Child Season Pass	\$90.00
Family Pass	\$180.00
<b>School Usage</b>	\$14.00
Private use per hour, structured session including one lifeguard	\$57.00
Private use per hour, play session including two lifeguards	\$84.00

**John Bishop/Phil Rive**

4. **MARKET PLACE TREES**

It was advised that Troy Sheridan had asked the Community Board to inspect the grove of Pin Oak trees adjacent to Hunters Café with the view to alleviating the icing problem outside his premises in winter time.

The Community Facilities Manager said the trees had been planted as a stand. Some had been removed during the Market Place upgrade works. The trees were getting bigger and he considered the removal of some would provide more space for the remaining trees into the future. It was agreed that the trees be inspected following the meeting.

*(After the inspection it was agreed that selected trees be removed as discussed with the Community Facilities Manager.)*

5. ADVERTISING KIOSK:

The Community Facilities Manager referred to the advertising kiosk sited adjacent to Heron's 4 Square Store and noted that there were two others located around the town.

The Community Facilities Manager said the kiosk would have to be removed due to the landscaping works and he had written to advise the advertisers.

Resolved that the advertising kiosk adjacent to Heron's 4 Square Store be removed and that it not be replaced.

**Peter Bell Phil Rive.**

6. WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Bishop referred to:

- **The Long Term Plan (LTP)** process.
- The **Township Maintenance proposal** which Council had not supported in its entirety. He said investigations were to be made into the employment of persons in Twizel and Tekapo.

The Community Facilities Manager clarified that the Council had resolved to renew the cleaning contract and had indicated it was open to exploring the possibility of trialling a township maintenance arrangement for Lake Tekapo. There had been comment that Twizel wanted a town manager but nothing had been resolved in that regard. He said the Council had directed him to renegotiate the Township Maintenance contract with Whitestone Contracting where he believed there were opportunities to gain more efficiency.

Cr Bishop and the Chairman said they were still advocating for the employment of a town co-ordinator for Twizel.

- The **Mackenzie Tourism and Development Trust**. Cr Bishop invited the Mayor to expand on the issue. The Mayor said that the Long Term Plan included the rating of \$450,000 for marketing and economic development, 80% of which would be funded by rates targeted to the industry; there would be no major change for the average ratepayer. She said that the Council would provide the Trust with guidelines regarding its expectations and that funding would be provided upon Council's adoption of the Trust's Statement of Intent and budgets. She noted that the Trust had also been asked to supply a statement explaining what ratepayers would get for the funds rated.

The period for submissions to the Long Term Plan was from 8 May until 8 June 2012; one month being the statutory time frame. The Council had already convened three public meetings to provide as much information as possible and the LTP summary would be available from 8 May 2012.

Resolved that the Ward Member's report be received.

**Peter Bell/Kieran Walsh**

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

Elaine Curin advised that the Twizel Transport Bus Service had purchased a Toyota Corolla for \$6,000 for use when small numbers of people required transport, thus avoiding the need to use the community bus.

**TREES AT TWIZEL YOUTH CENTRE:**

The Community Board considered a request from the co-ordinator of the Twizel Youth Group for permission to attend to silver birch trees which were said to be causing the guttering to leak at the Youth Centre. The request was accompanied by photographs of the trees.

The Community Facilities Manager noted that guttering required regular cleaning. The Youth Group was charged with the maintenance of the building which was why it was let to the Group at a minimal rental.

He said the trees were not particularly good specimens and he supported the request for the tree on the west side to be removed and the other tree to be rimmed.

Resolved that the request from the Twizel Youth Group to remove the silver birch tree between the Youth Centre building and the tennis courts and trim the silver birch tree on the skatepark side of the building be approved.

**Peter Bell/Elaine Curin**

**APPRECIATION FROM BEN OHAU GOLF CLUB.**

The Chairman noted that a letter of appreciation for the grant given by the Community Board had been received from the Ben Ohau Golf Club.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS  
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4.31 PM**

**CHAIRMAN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_