

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD AT TWIZEL EVENTS CENTRE, TWIZEL, ON TUESDAY MAY 10, 2016, AT 9:35AM

PRESENT:

Cr Graham Smith (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Murray Cox
Cr Russell Armstrong
Cr Evan Williams
Cr James Leslie
Cr Noel Jackson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Wayne Barnett, Chief Executive
Paul Morris, Finance Manager
Garth Nixon, Community Facilities Manager
Keri-Ann Little, Committee Secretary
Nic Newman, Upper Waitaki Zone Committee Facilitator
Christina Robb, CWMS Programme Manager
Barry Shepherd, Chair Upper Waitaki Zone Committee
Daisy Hudson, Timaru Herald Reporter
Pat Schuker, Twizel Community Member
Anne Munro, Albury Resident

OPENING:

Cr Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APOLOGIES:

Resolved: that an apology be received from Mayor Barlow.

Cr Williams/ Cr Armstrong

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

BEREAVEMENTS:

Cr Smith noted the following bereavements:

- Phyllis Ross, Wife of Larry late of Fairlie.
- William (Bill) Dobson, late Husband of Judith, Father of Mark and Steve, late of Fairlie.
- Garry Tindall, ex Twizel Community Board member, Husband of Heather.
- Heather McKendrick, late of Twizel.
- Mel Waller, late of Twizel.
- Sadie Hayles, late of Twizel.

A moment of silence was observed.

MAYOR'S ACTIVITIES REPORT:

This was the report of the Mayor's activity from March 30, 2016 to April 29, 2016.

Cr Smith offered to answer any questions the Councillors may have in the Mayor's absence.

Cr Smith asked that the event he is recorded as attending with the Mayor on the 8th of April 2016 be removed, Cr Smith said he was not able to attend the Maadi Cup events that afternoon due to a prior meeting commitment.

Resolved that the report be received.

Cr Armstrong/ Cr Williams

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ACTIVITIES REPORT:

This was the report of the Chief Executive's activity from March 31, 2016 to May 4, 2016.

Cr Smith referred to a meeting The Chief Executive held with PSA union delegates. The Chief Executive said Council has commenced the negotiation process.

Cr Armstrong referred to the meeting the Chief Executive held with Waitaki MP Jacqui Dean on the 18th of April and asked if the current freedom camping issue was discussed. The Chief Executive responded by stating central government are aware of freedom camping issues and are open to legislative change.

Resolved that the report be received.

Cr Cox/ Cr Williams

VISITORS:

Cr Smith welcomed Christina Robb, Canterbury Water Management Strategy (CWMS) Programme Manager and Upper Waitaki Zone (UWZ) Water Management Committee Chair Barry Shepherd. Cr Smith said Ms Robb and Mr Shepherd will present the UWZ annual report which is included in today's agenda on page 8.

Resolved: that the report be received.

Cr Williams/ Cr Armstrong

Barry Shepherd spoke to the annual plan report.

Following the report Cr Smith congratulated Mr Shepherd on an excellent annual plan.

Cr Cox said he is the Council appointed representative on the Upper Waitaki Zone committee and thanked Mr Shepherd for his role as Chair. Cr Cox continued to report the Zone committee has a good cross section of members and Ecan provide expertise and information at all meetings, he said this information is widely available to the Community.

Mr Shepherd, Ms Robb and Mr Newman left the meeting at 10:06am.

REPORTS:

DELEGATIONS MANUAL AMENDMENT:

The purpose of this report from Toni Morrison, Projects and Administration Manager is to seek Council approval to amend the Delegations Manual to include the Projects and Administration position in the list of financial sub-delegations to managers.

The Chief Executive Officer spoke to the report in Ms Morrison's absence.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Cr Armstrong/ Cr Jackson

2. That the Mackenzie District Council amends the Delegation Manual to include the Projects and Administration Manager position in the list of financial sub-delegations to managers, as follows:

FINANCE MANAGER, PROJECTS & ADMINISTRATION MANAGER, PLANNING & REGULATIONS MANAGER & COMMUNITY FACILITIES MANAGER		
Sub Delegation from CEO		
ITEM		AMOUNT
1	Contractual authority for expenditure provided for in Annual Plan	\$40,000
2	Contractual authority for expenditure not provided for in Annual Plan	\$5,000
3	Pursuant to Section 44 (3A) of the Public Bodies Contracts Act, the contracts entered into pursuant to this delegated power which <i>do not</i> need to be reported back to CEO shall be contracts of <i>less than</i>	\$20,000
4	Activity to which Contractual authority applies	Cost Centres for which Manager has responsibility.

Cr Leslie/ Cr Cox

The meeting convened for morning tea at 10:15am and reconvened at 10:30am.

GRANT REQUEST HOPS AND HOOVES:

This purpose of this report from Mr Nixon was for Council to consider Twizel Promotion and Development Association (TPDA) grant request.

Mr Nixon added this revised request was also included on The Twizel Community Board agenda at their previous meeting on the 18th of April 2016. Mr Nixon noted that the Twizel Community Board granted the TPDA \$250.00 to be contributed towards the hall hire for this event.

Cr Smith noted that the TPDA appear to have sufficient funds of their own readily available. He added the weather is a risk factor but agreed this event is good for the Twizel Township.

Cr Leslie informed the Council that the TPDA is a non-profit organisation which is run on a volunteer basis and he said the funds accumulated by the TPDA are all invested back into the Community. He added the TPDA produce a free newspaper to the community and encourage visitors to Twizel. Cr Leslie confirmed he is in favour of the TPDA receiving \$1,000

of funding from the Council as requested. Cr Leslie concluded by stating his frustration that the Twizel Community Board does not believe its role is to promote the Town.

Cr Williams stated he regards this as a Twizel Community Board matter and not Council business.

Cr Cox highlight that Council has resolved to fund the Starlight Festival in the past and sees this grant as no exception.

On conclusion of discussions the Councillors expressed their disappointment regarding the lack of support this event has received from the Twizel Community Board.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Cr Williams/ Cr Leslie

2. That the Council grant the TPDA the sum of \$1,000 for contribution towards the Hops and Hooves Event being held in Twizel on Saturday 4 June 2016.

Cr Leslie/ Cr Armstrong

Cr Smith and Cr Williams voted against this motion.

REMUNERATION OF ELECTED MEMBERS:

The purpose of this report from Paul Morris the Finance Manager is for Council to adopt a policy for reimbursement of expenses by elected members.

Mr Morris stated the changes highlighted in his report on page 40 of this agenda were regarding mileage allowance. He said the remuneration authority were making these changes to this allowance in line with the Inland Revenue Department's decision last year that the first five thousand kilometres claimed should now be reimbursed at 74c per kilometre instead of the 77c at present and the rate for travel in excess of 5000 kilometres remains at 37c.

Mr Morris highlighted change two being that the 30 kilometre threshold will now apply only to visits to the council or community board office and that for other travel by members no threshold distance will apply.

Mr Morris concluded by adding these changes will take effect in early July 2016 and will be reviewed after the October elections.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Cr Cox/ Cr Jackson

2. That the policy of the reimbursement of expense by elected members be adopted.

Cr Williams/Cr Armstrong

ALPINE ENERGY LTD STATEMENT OF INTENT 2016-2019:

Mr Morris asked Council to approve the draft Statement of Corporate Intent for Alpine Energy Ltd included in this agenda on page 54. Mr Morris added he was impressed with the dividend stream highlighted in the report.

Cr Smith said this is an excellent result and Alpine Energy is a very sound run company at present.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Cr Leslie/ Cr Jackson

2. That Council approves the draft Statement of Corporate Intent 2016-2019 for Alpine Energy Ltd.

Cr Leslie/ Cr Williams

ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL PLAN:

The purpose of this report from Mr Morris and Ms Morrison is for Council to adopt the 2016-2017 Annual Plan.

Mr Morris spoke to the plan.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Cr Armstrong/ Cr Williams

2. That pursuant to section 95(1) of the Local Government Act 2002, the Council adopts the 2016-2017 Annual Plan attached to this report as Appendix A, to take effect from 1 July 2016.
3. That staff be given the delegation to make minor formatting and grammatical amendments prior to publication.
4. That the Council informs the public of the adoption of the Annual Plan 2016-2017 and its contents.

Cr Armstrong/ Cr Williams

COMMUNITY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

To consider the recommendations made by community boards.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Cr Cox/ Cr Leslie

TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD:

2. Council noted the following resolution regarding a request for funding for “Hops and Hooves Event” from Twizel Promotions and Development Association:

Resolved: that the Twizel Community Board contribute \$250 being half of the hall hire costs, based on the hall hire being \$500.

Phil Rive/ Bruce White

3. Council noted the following resolution regarding the Twizel Rubbish Bin location:

Resolved that the Twizel Community Board direct Garth Nixon to relocate the bins/a bin to a location closer to the Events Centre.

Bruce White/ Chairman

TWIZEL RUBBISH BIN LOCATION:

Cr Armstrong provided the Council with the necessary background information stating he would rather see the rubbish built up outside the mentioned bins instead of being scattered around Town.

Mr Nixon explained that this matter was discussed at the recent Twizel Community Board meeting. Mr Nixon said the Community Board were happy to receive the rubbish with the volume of people visiting the Town. Mr Nixon suggested the relocation of the bins to a position closer to the events centre rather than the current location outside the Four Square Supermarket. Mr Nixon added the new proposed location may discourage the dumping of household items if visitors have to leave their vehicles to dispose of the rubbish.

The Chief Executive Officer said Council have limited bin usage to discourage local users using the bins for household rubbish. He added this issue will be addressed during the freedom camping review.

Mr Nixon agreed the relocation of the bins is only a band aid fix at present but said he will be investigating further options available to Council in the coming weeks.

TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD:

1. Council noted the following resolution regarding a grant request from Tamara Waite:

Resolved: that the Community Board decline the request and inform Ms Waite that the Community Board has considered her application and will be reviewing the fees and charges of the Tekapo Community Hall in the future

Stella Sweney/Lyn Martin

2. Council noted the following resolution regarding the Boundary Fence at Aorangi Crescent:

Resolved That the Community Board decline to build the fence.

Stella Sweney/ Cr Cox

3. Council noted the following resolution regarding the Nepal Event:

Resolved That the Community Board approve a grant to cover the cost of the hall hire for the event.

Lyn Martin/ Stella Sweney

FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD:

1. Council noted the following resolution regarding Regent Street Improvements and the use of the footpath and legal roadside reserve for business purposes:

Resolved: that the Fairlie Community Board instruct the Chief executive officer to approach the business owner to cease business usage of the legal road reserve on Regent Street and removal of vehicles. If there is no action taken within 3 working days, investigate other options available to Council.

Chairman/ Les Blacklock

2. Council noted the following resolution regarding Regent Street Improvements:

Resolved: that the Fairlie Community Board delay the Regent Street Improvement project subject to identification and prioritization of the various improvements established within the Mackenzie District Transportation Strategy.

Les Blacklock/ Warren Barker

RECEIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Resolved that Council receive the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on April 26, 2016, including such parts as were taken in public excluded.

Cr Leslie /Cr Cox

Resolved that Council receive the minutes of the Asset and Services Committee meeting held April 26, 2016.

Cr Leslie/Cr Cox

Resolved that Council receive the minutes of the Extraordinary Planning and Regulation Committee meeting held on April 28, 2016, including such parts as were taken in public excluded.

Cr Leslie/ Cr Cox

CONFIRM COUNCIL MINUTES:

Resolved that Council confirms and adopts the minutes of the Mackenzie District Council meeting held on March 29, 2016 as the correct record of the meeting, including those parts taken in public excluded.

Cr Armstrong/ Cr Cox

Cr Smith thanked all visitors for their attendance.

PUBLIC EXCLUDED RESOLUTION:

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

- A. Sale of Land Ohau Road

- B. Council Surplus Land Fox View Road
- C. Sale of Land Old Glen Lyon Road
- D. Public Excluded Twizel Community Board 18 April 2016
- E. Public Excluded Council minutes 29 March 2016
- F. Public Excluded Extraordinary Planning and Regulation Committee 28 April 2016

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
Sale of Land Ohau Road	Enable Commercial Negotiations	48(1)(a)(i)
Council Surplus Land Fox View Road	Enable Commercial Negotiations	48(1)(a)(i)
Sale of Land Old Glen Lyon Road	Enable Commercial Negotiations	48(1)(a)(i)
PE Council Minutes 29 March 2016	Maintain Legal Privilege	48(1)(a)(i)
PE Twizel Community Board 18 April 2016	Maintain Legal Privilege	48(1)(a)(i)
PE Extraordinary Planning and Regulation Committee 28 April 2016	Maintain Legal Privilege	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 interest or 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: *Sale of Land Ohau Road, Council Surplus Land Fox View Road and Sale of Land Old Glen Lyon Road 7(2)(i); Public Excluded minutes of the Council, Twizel Community Board and Extraordinary Planning and Regulation Committee meeting under section 7(2)(g).*

Cr Jackson/ Cr Leslie

The Council continued in open meeting.

THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 11:58AM

MAYOR: _____

DATE: _____