

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE LAKE TEKAPO COMMUNITY HALL, TEKAPO, ON WEDNESDAY 22 AUGUST 2016 AT 7:00PM

PRESENT:

Peter Munro (Chair)
Cr Murray Cox
Stella Sweney
Lyn Martin

IN ATTENDANCE:

Wayne Barnett, Chief Executive Officer
Garth Nixon, Community Facilities Manager
Keri-Ann Little, Committee Secretary
Phil Brownie left at 7:36pm
Caroll Simcox
Sharron Binns
Steve Howes

OPENING:

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APOLOGIES:

An apology was received from Alan Hayman.

PUBLIC FORUM:

The Chair invited public present to speak to the Community board.

Mrs Binns advised the Community Board the Tekapo Business Forum had now formed with approximately 30 people attending the first meeting. She said the establishment of a Facebook page will be used as a vehicle to help link businesses with enquires to the Community Board and Council. She noted the next meeting will be held on the 6th of October 2016 and extended an invitation to all business owners and staff to attend.

VISITOR:

The Chair welcomed Mr Brownie and Mrs Simcox to the meeting.

Mr Brownie said he met with Council representatives late last year to discuss the matter of growth in tourism. He said he now felt it appropriate to update the Community board with new developments.

Mr Brownie spoke to his report on page 28 and 29 of the agenda.

Mr Brownie noted the current Church carpark is Council land and requests that the section of land be reserved for non-development in the future. He said the Church would like a proactive approach to securing the land for the future and to work with Council in achieving this. He said Opus had been engaged to assist in the production plans of the road usage allowing the Church to submit plans to Council.

Mrs Simcox added the experience is being devalued because of the amount of visitors and buses parking so close to the Church itself.

The Chair noted the Community Board had spoken about parking and public toilets on the Western side. He said there is discussion of carparking for the summer and toilets at the footbridge. He agreed that keeping parking away from the Church was favourable.

Mr Nixon said the planned toilets will be delivered in November, the Tekapo Community Board had engaged an experienced Urban Designer and Architect. The Architect will report to Council with ideas. He added the Abley Consultants will also report to Council with a traffic management assessment and plan which will include the area around the Church.

Mr Barnett said he will follow up the Abley report and suggested Abley Consultants include discussions with the Church of the Good Shepherd Committee.

Cr Cox asked if there could be a reduction in carparks to take pressure of the Church.

Mr Barnett said there is an agreement that the carpark is in the incorrect place, keeping the vehicles a good distance back from the Church is also agreed. He said management of the pedestrian traffic also needs to be assessed. He said once the information is gathered then Council and the Church Committee can meet to discuss challenges.

Mr Brownie highlighted the protection of the Church building and also pedestrian traffic is an ongoing concern. He said he is happy to attend meetings or meet with Consultants to discuss the Church's concerns.

Mr Brownie said for the short term he would like a boundary put in place back 4-5 metres from the Church. Mr Barnett said he would carry out investigations regarding this request and will follow up with Mr Brownie.

The Chair thanked Mr Brownie and Mrs Simcox for their attendance.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Tekapo Community Board held on 8 June 2016 be reconfirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Stella Sweney/ Lyn Martin

Matters arising from the previous minutes:

Mr Nixon reported he had spoken to members of the Solar System project in terms of an update. He said Members of the project had advised they had received funding for their signs. He said he was speaking to Members of the project regarding the poles while working through the best options for plantings.

TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD MATTERS UNDER ACTION:

1. **Tekapo Plantation: Murray Place/Section A:**

Mr Nixon advised Whitestone had now completed the clean-up. He reported process is slow regarding plantings.

2. **Freedom Camping:**

Mr Nixon noted that Council had adopted the new Freedom Camping Bylaw which excludes the Tekapo Township. He said new signage will be erected. He added Warden options are currently being explored.

3. **Tekapo Squash Club:**

Cr Cox reported he had drafted a report to the Community Board which will be included in the next meeting.

4. **Town Projects:**

1. Alps2Ocean Link between Tekapo and Canal Road: Mr Nixon reported that the road marking is complete.
2. Upgrade of Hamilton Drive - dump station requires securing.
3. Walkway lights repaired.
4. Lakeside Drive: Mr Nixon noted the final plan will be distributed to the Community board. Cr Cox asked Mr Barnett to highlight access and traffic management plan with the resource consent application.
5. Tekapo Development Projects List: Mr Barnett outlined a scope of projects list recently confirmed at the Finance Committee meeting:
Funding Effectively Confirmed For:
 - a. Funding for domain finishing
 - b. Public Green
 - c. Landscaping within viewing shafts – on the agenda
 - d. Surfacing of old mini golf site
 - e. Boat Ramp access from Lakeside Drive*Recommended:*
 - f. Playground be funded by the Land Subdivision Reserve*Remaining Projects:*
 - g. East and Western Carparks
 - h. Long Vehicle Overflow Carpark

5. **Tekapo Domain Playground:**

The Community Board expressed agreed that equipment currently in storage be installed at the Playground site. Mr Nixon will outline a concept plan for approval.

6. **60Km Speed Limit Extension:** Mr Barnett received feedback from NZTA. He said NZTA are looking at speed restrictions on a wider scale.

7. **Civil Defence:**

Mr Nixon said he and Ms Morrison had met with the Emergency Event Team which was very beneficial. Ms Morrison will supply a Civil Defence update to the Community board.

8. **Tekapo Footbridge:**

The Chair reported warning signs had been put in place on frosty mornings. He noted two lights from the Footbridge are not currently working.

9. Solar System Project:

Mr Nixon reported he had spoken to members of the Solar System project in terms of an update. Members of the project advised they had received funding for their signs. He said he was speaking to Members of the project regarding the poles while working through the best options for plantings.

10. Public Toilets: 4 April 2016

Mr Nixon noted delivery of the public toilets will take place on 4 November 2016.

11. Hall Signage: 8 June 2016

Mr Nixon reported due to weather conditions lighting installation could not take place and hall signage is being prepared.

12. Drone Flying: 26 August 2016

The Community board suggested contacting the CAA regarding Tekapo and drone flying. Mr Barnett agreed and said he was happy to carry this out.

PROJECTS BUDGET:

Mr Nixon reported there were no significant changes.

REPORTS:

FINANCIAL REPORT:

This report was the financial report for the Community Board for the period to May 2016, to update board members on the financial performance of the Tekapo Community Board for that period.

Resolved that the report be received.

Cr Cox/ Stella Sweney

Mr Nixon spoke to the financial report.

Mr Nixon reported the new rubbish bins had been installed for two weeks. He said there is a cable missing at present and the Contractors are working through the reports received. He said data received from the reports is showing that the bins are being checked regularly resulting in the system being used effectively.

The Chair said he had been approached by the local Policeman regarding the installation of video surveillance in Tekapo Township. Mr Nixon said yes this is an option. The Chair suggested discussion at the next Community Board meeting.

THE FLYING OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT (DRONES):

The purpose of this report from Aaron Hakkaart, Planner District Plan Review was for the Community Boards information regarding the rules and regulations that surround the flying of unmanned aircraft (drones) with in the Mackenzie District.

Ms Sweney said that Tim Rayward had contacted her regarding drones flying around the Tekapo Township. She said she is concerned about drones flying around the Church of Good Shepherd. Ms Sweney asked how it can be policed.

Mr Barnett confirmed the CAA is responsible in relation to any breaches of the rules.

The Community Board suggested contacting the CAA regarding Tekapo and drone flying. Mr Barnett agreed and he said he was happy to carry this out.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

Lyn Martin/ Cr Cox

WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Cox reported he attended the Local Government Conference. He said an issue raised was the Local Government Act amendment bill and there will be more information released. He noted Plan Change 5 hearings had commenced today and the process will continue for 2 months. He reported that the Water Zone Committee had been investigating issues regarding water monitoring. He said the District Plan review is ongoing and consultation with different groups will begin in October/November to gain feedback.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE COMMUNITY BOARD ON OTHER COMMITTEES:

Cr Cox reported that the Regional Park is investigating the linking of tracks with markers and DoC are reviewing the "you are here" signs. This will include signs on Council land which will include pricings and discussion with Council.

The Chair informed the Board that the Footbridge are holding a final meeting and AGM in October 2016.

The Chair reported the Whitewater Trust timetable for the new season is being developed and the next working bee is during the week of 15 September 2016.

Mrs Martin advised there is a Promotions meeting this Thursday night and the AGM will be held on 15 September 2016. Mrs Martin added an update to the website is underway.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

CENTRE AREA PLAN:

The purpose of this report from Mr Nixon was for the Tekapo Community Board to confirm their support for the proposal as discussed at their earlier workshop.

Mr Nixon said he is requesting the Community Board confirm their support for the proposal.

Mr Nixon spoke to the plans distributed.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Tekapo Community Board confirm their support for the proposal as submitted.
3. That the Community Facilities Manager consult with the effected neighbours to seek support for the proposal.

Cr Cox / Stella Sweney

COMMUNITY CENTRE KITCHEN REQUEST:

The Chair reported he had received a request from Jane Staley, Tekapo Weddings and Events for usage of the Tekapo Community Hall Kitchen for a few hours the evening of the 10th of September 2016 to base themselves and wash dishes for the Ian Simpson fundraiser.

The Chair stated a grant had already been granted for the use of chairs and tables and in addition to that request Mrs Staley is also requesting the use of the Kitchen.

Resolved:

1. That the Tekapo Community Board extend their previous grant to Mrs Staley on behalf of the Ian Simpson Fundraiser to include Kitchen hire.

Stella Sweney/ Cr Cox

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting for the Tekapo Community Board will be held on Monday 19 September 2016 at 7pm in the Tekapo Community Hall Lounge.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8:58PM**

CHAIR: _____

DATE: _____

Unconfirmed