

## **MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN FAIRLIE ON TUESDAY MARCH 31, 2015, AT 9.38AM**

#### **PRESENT:**

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

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Paul Morris (Finance Manager) (Left at 12.45)  
Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive Officer)  
Julie Jongen (Committee Clerk)  
Arlene Goss (Left at 12.45)  
Tania Morrison (Left at 12.45)  
Pat Deavoll (Timaru Herald) (Left at 12.13)  
Bernie Haar (Asset & Services manager arrived 11.42, left at 12.07)

#### **OPENING:**

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

No apologies were received.

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

Cr Russell Armstrong declared an interest in an item further in the agenda.

#### **BEREAVEMENTS:**

The Mayor noted the following bereavements:

- Colleen Graham, died 20 February 15, mother/in law Jenny & Barrie Green, late of Tekapo.
- Margaret Helen Monson, died 22 February 15, mother of David Monson, late of Twizel.
- Marie Grace Boyce, died 20 March 15, mother/mother in law Catherine & Peter Johnson, late of Christchurch.

A moment of silence was observed.

## REPORTS:

### CHRISTCHURCH & CANTERBURY TOURISM QUARTERLY REPORT:

Resolved that the report be received.

**Murray Cox/Evan Williams**

### COMMON SEAL AND AUTHORISED SIGNATURES:

The purpose of this report was to advise of the documents signed under the Common Seal from February 10 to March 23, 2015.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

**Graham Smith/James Leslie**

2. That the affixing of the common seal to documents 797 to 801 be endorsed.

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

***Meeting was adjourned for council workshop at 9.45***

***Workshop closed 10.38***

***Morning tea break at 10.38***

***Meeting re-opened at 10.48***

### LONG TERM PLAN – ADOPT BUDGET:

The purpose of this report is to provide and adopt the Mackenzie District Council Draft Budget as part of the framework for the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan and consultation document.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

**Russell Armstrong/Evan Williams**

2. That Council resolves to use the Roding Rural Reserve to offset roading costs in Year 1 of the Long Term Plan 2015-25, and that these reserves be used in the rural area.  
Mayor would like to emphasise with rural area "specifically"

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

3. That Council resolves to include \$368,200 in the budget to allow future consideration of a new public toilet to be built at the eastern end of the Tekapo township.

**Russell Armstrong/Murray Cox**

4. That Council resolves to increase tourism funding to Christchurch and Canterbury Tourism by \$4000 to \$204,000 per annum in 2015/16.

**Graham Smith/Murray Cox**

5. That Council resolves to increase economic development funding to Aoraki Development and Business Trust by \$6,000 to \$60,000 per annum in 2015/16.

**James Leslie/Russell Armstrong**

6. That Council resolves to include provision in the budget to allow future consideration of a project to off-road the Alps2Ocean cycleway on Hayman Road, Pukaki, with the expectation that a proportion of the funding will come from other sources.

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

7. That the 'Draft Budget 2015-2025' be adopted by Council subject to the changes agreed above, and any audit changes.

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

#### LONG TERM PLAN – FINANCIAL STRATEGY:

The purpose of this report is to provide and adopt the Mackenzie District Council Financial Strategy as part of the framework for the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan and consultation document.

#### Resolved:

1. That the report be received.

**Murray Cox/Noel Jackson**

2. That the Financial Strategy include a description of the potential rates impact if NZTA funding is not provided, subject to the approval of the Mayor and the Chairman of the Finance Committee.
3. That the 'Financial Strategy 2015-2025' be adopted by Council subject to audit changes and the updating of rates information once the Long Term Plan 2015-25 Draft Budget has been set.

**Russell Armstrong/James Leslie**

#### LONG TERM PLAN – REVENUE & FINANCING POLICY:

***This item was removed from the agenda.***

LONG TERM PLAN – CONTENT OF CONSULTATION DOCUMENT:

The purpose of this report is to consider and approve the structure and content of the draft Long Term Plan 2015-25 Consultation Document and to decide on Council's key issues and preferred options.

Resolved

1. That the report be received.

**Graham Smith/James Leslie**

2. That Council considers the funding of roading infrastructure to be a key issue to be included in the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25.

**Russell Armstrong/Graham Smith**

3. That Council resolves to consult the public on the funding of roading infrastructure.

**Murray Cox/James Leslie**

4. That Council identifies which of the options below is its preferred option to address the issue of funding roading infrastructure:

*Option 1:* Increase rates to meet the shortfall and maintain the roads in their current state.

OR

*Option 2:* Maintain funding at current levels resulting in a reduced level of service, including greater degradation of roads and possible road closures.

**Resolved that Option1 is the choice from Council.**

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

5. That Council considers the funding of upgrades to water, wastewater and Stormwater (3 waters) infrastructure to be a key issue to be included in the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25.

**Murray Cox/Noel Jackson**

6. That Council resolves to consult the public on the funding of water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure (3 Waters).

**James Leslie/Russell Armstrong**

7. That Council identifies which of the options below is its preferred option to address the issue of funding water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure:

*Option 1:* Make a decision not to meet the drinking water standards or upgrade 3 Water infrastructure in towns that cannot afford it.

***It was agreed by all that this is not an acceptable option.***

OR

*Option 2:* Maintain the status quo, which is townships paying for their own 3 Water upgrades, even if this means high rate rises.

***It was moved that option 2 be combined with option 5. There were 2 in favour and 5 against.***

OR

*Option 3:* Spread the costs of 3 Water infrastructure across the townships so all the township users pay the same amount and receive the same level of service.

**It was moved that option 3 be combined with option 5.**

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

**The motion was carried but opposed by JamesLeslie/Russell  
Armstrong**

OR

*Option 4:* Spread the costs of 3 Water infrastructure across the whole district.

OR

*Option 5:* Use proceeds raised from the selling of forestry land in the Opuha Ward to subsidise the costs of 3 Water infrastructure in the townships.

OR

*Option 6:* Use income earned from council's investment portfolio to subsidise the costs of 3 Water infrastructure in the townships.

OR

A combination of the above options.

8. That Council considers the selling of three blocks of forestry land to be a key issue to be included in the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25.

**Russell Armstrong/Evan Williams**

9. That Council resolves to consult the public on the selling of three blocks of forestry land.

**Graham Smith/Russell Armstrong**

10. That Council identifies which of the options below is its preferred option to address the issue of selling of some forestry land:

*Option 1:* Status Quo. Keep all forestry investments and wait for them to mature.

OR

*Option 2:* Sell (up to) three blocks of forestry land in the Opuha Ward and invest the money, with the interest helping to pay for the costs of essential services.

OR

*Option 3:* Sell (up to) three free whole blocks of forestry land in the Opuha Ward and use the proceeds, or a portion of the proceeds to subsidise the costs of 3 Water infrastructure in the townships and roading.

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

11. That Council resolves to include the following 'Other Matters' in the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25:

- Disposal of Goodman's and Grampians Bridges
- Manuka Terrace Water Supply
- Changing how we rate the Tekapo A Power Station
- Changing how we rate for tourism, economic development and Alps2Ocean.

**Russell Armstrong/James Leslie**

12. That Council resolves **NOT** to include the following matters in the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2015-25:

- Cass River Bridge Replacement
- Fraser Road Bridge No 2
- Single Hill Bridge
- Otama Road Bridge
- Coal Pit Road No 2 Bridge
- District Plan Review and Plan Changes
- Two New Tankers for Rural Fire
- Tekapo Public Toilets
- Twizel Medical Centre
- Fairlie Cemetery Expansion
- Alps2Ocean Change in Activity to be Funded – Hayman Road
- Solid Waste Repayment of Debt
- Wilding Pine Control
- Potential Policy Change Around Investments
- Monitoring and Enforcement Capability
- Mitigation of Fire Risk in Twizel
- Level of Investment in Tourism and Economic Development

**James Leslie/Evan Williams**

13. That Council approves the draft structure and content of the Long Term Plan 2015-25 Consultation Document, subject to audit changes.

**Graham Smith/Claire Barlow**

***Adjourned for lunch at 12.13 pm***

***Meeting recommenced at 12.38pm***

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION POLICY FINAL DRAFT:

The purpose of this report is to provide and adopt the draft Policy on Development Contributions and Financial Contributions for public consultation simultaneously with consultation period for the LTP Consultation Document, as part of the framework for the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan.

Resolved

1. That the report be received.

**Murray Cox/Noel Jackson**

2. That the draft Policy on Development Contributions and Financial Contributions be adopted by Council for public consultation, subject to the updating of rates information once the Long Term Plan 2015-25 Draft Budget has been set.

**Graham Smith/Noel Jackson**

## **COMMUNITY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS AND MINUTES:**

This report from the chief executive was accompanied by the minutes of the meetings of the Twizel and Tekapo Community Boards on March 9, 2015, and the Fairlie Community Board on March 16, 2015.

Resolved that the report be received.

**Russell Armstrong/Murray Cox**

### TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD:

Council noted and considered a request from the International Dark Sky Foundation for funding towards the International Dark Sky Convention in Twizel:

Resolved that the Twizel Community Board will make a \$1000 donation as long as it is matched by Council.

**The Chief Executive will bring a report back to the next Council meeting.**

### TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD:

Council noted the following resolution related to the removal of trees on Lakeside Drive:

Resolved

That the Tekapo Community Board initiate a resource consent if required.

Council noted the following resolution related to a landscaping plan from the Lake Tekapo Power Boat and Water Ski Club:

Resolved

That The Tekapo Community Board support the clubs application to Trust Aoraki or similar for the proposed redevelopment of the Lake Tekapo Power Boat & Water Ski Club rooms.

Council noted the following resolution related to the framing of a memorial blanket for display in the Tekapo Hall:

Resolved

That the Board accept the quote from Ronald Mottram, picture framer of Christchurch, at a cost of \$2137.88

FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD:

Council noted the following resolution regarding a request to put a footpath on the Allandale bridge:

Resolved that the Fairlie Community Board request NZTA Highway operations to include the Allandale bridge footpath in the national land transport work programme.

Council noted the following resolution related to a proposal from the Community Enhancement Board to install information panels in Fairlie:

Resolved that the Board support the proposal from the "Community Enhancement Board" to move forward with the concept of signage.

Council noted the following resolution related to the future use of the paintball site in Fairlie:

Resolved that "Council terminate the paint ball lease, and draft up an expression of interests for use of the site.

Council noted the following resolution related to purchase of lights for the Village Green in Fairlie:

Resolved that funding for the village green lights be approved at a cost of approximately \$2,700.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES:**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Forestry Board held on March 17, 2015, including such parts as were taken with the public excluded, be received.



It was noted that there were corrections to the spelling of Kevin O'Neill, Murray Cox and Graham Smith.

Under general business it was noted that the wording should read in the first sentence "forestry blocks *adjacent* to Graham Pages land".

**Graham Smith/Noel Jackson**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on March 17, 2015, including such parts as were taken with the public excluded, be received.

**Graham Smith/James Leslie**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Asset and Services Committee held on March 17, 2015, including such parts as were taken with the public excluded, be received. Including the wording change on page 95 (PE), should read "Mayor Barlow *understands* the issue is about ....."not "*is*".

**James Leslie/Russell Armstrong**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Regulation Committee held on March 17, 2015, including such parts as were taken with the public excluded, be received.

**Murray Cox/Noel Jackson**

#### **COUNCIL MINUTES:**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Mackenzie District Council held on February 17, 2015, including such parts as were taken with the public excluded, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

**Claire Barlow/Graham Smith**

#### **EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MINUTES:**

Page 121, remove words "information centres" from paragraph speaking about "social centres".

Page 121, Waste – Paragraph should read Measure of Service "The percentage of solid waste from the District Resource Recovery Parks diverted from landfills. ( 2011 64% diversion), with the target 70% diverted with an expectation of 80% by 2019.

Page 124, PE Minutes - (Subdivision with Lake Tekapo Resort) Chief Executive confirmed that the purchase and sale agreement had lapsed so therefore this matter will be taken back to the community board.

Resolved that the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Mackenzie District Council held on March 10, 2015, including such parts as were taken with the public excluded, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record.

**Russell Armstrong/Noel Jackson**

#### **PUBLIC EXCLUDED:**

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

- A) SALE OF SURPLUS LAND
- B) PREVIOUS MINUTES ASSET AND SERVICES COMMITTEE
- C) PREVIOUS MINUTES COUNCIL FEBRUARY 17, 2015.

<b>General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</b>
Sale of Surplus Land	Enable commercial negotiations	48(1)(a)(i)
Previous minutes Asset and Services Committee	Maintain legal Professional privilege	48(1)(a)(i)
Previous minutes Council February 17	Enable commercial negotiations	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 Surplus Land and Previous Council minutes Feb 17 under section 7(2)(i). Previous minutes Asset and Services Committee under section 7(2)(g).*

**Graham Smith/Evan Williams**

**THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 12.26PM**

**MAYOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

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