

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE SERVICE CENTRE, TWIZEL ON MONDAY 28 JANUARY 2013 AT 4.00 PM

PRESENT:

Peter Bell (Chairman)
Kieran Walsh
Elaine Curin
John Bishop
Phil Rive

IN ATTENDANCE:

Claire Barlow (Mayor)
Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive Officer)
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)
Nathan Hole (Manager – Planning and Regulations)
Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)
John O'Connor (Utilities Engineer)
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

I APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies;

II DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cr Bishop declared his interest in the agenda item *High Country Medical Trust*.

III MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Twizel Community Board held on 10 December 2012 be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Elaine Curin/Phil Rive

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. Twizel Events Centre – Carpet:

It was directed that this issue to be retained on the list of Matters Under Action.

2. Fencing of Greenways:

Phil Rive advised that he had obtained two quotes for fencing of greenways on Mackenzie Drive.

Resolved:

1. That the quote from RAD Building for \$4,856.05 including GST, for fencing the greenways between Mackenzie Drive and Hunter Crescent and Mackenzie Drive and Falstone Crescent be accepted.
2. That the consideration of the second quote from RAD for the fencing of greenways opposite the Fire Station and Omahau Crescent on Mackenzie Drive be deferred until the preferred sites have been confirmed.

Peter Bell/John Bishop

3. Security Cameras:

The Community Facilities Manager advised that two of the three cameras were functioning.

4. Litter Bins at the Southern Entrance to Twizel:

The Community Facilities Manager said he had left messages for Mr Hocken to ask him for a contribution to the installation of litter bins but had been unable to reach him to date.

5. Untidy Section at 212 Mackenzie Drive:

The Manager – Planning and Regulations said he was confident that many of the issues which had been raised with the Community Board could be dealt with under the Resource Management Act 1991. It was his intention in the first instance to invite the owners of the untidy section to discuss the matter before resorting to enforcement action if necessary.

He said the Council could deal with non-complying buildings through the District Plan and the Building Act. He advised that a letter had been sent to the owners of the section.

MATTERS UNDER ACTION:

1. Area Behind Tekapo Drive

The Community Facilities Manager advised that the work was expected to be completed by 31 January 2013. He noted there was a large quantity of mulch available for use and also an opportunity to screen top soil.

2. Fire Risk Sections:

It was agreed that with regard to the current season, the owners of fire risk sections within the Township only (not Tussock Bend) be written to and asked to clear them immediately or risk being on-charged for the contractor's mowing costs.

The Community Board agreed that a policy for dealing with fire risk sections in the future should be established.

Resolved:

1. That the following policy for dealing with fire risk sections be adopted:
 - That in future all fire risk sections in the RES 1 and RES 2 zones in Twizel be mowed by 30 November.
 - That the owners of fire risk sections not mowed by 30 November be on-charged the contractor's mowing costs.

- That advice of the policy be published well in advanced of the fire risk season in the *Mackenzie Messenger* sent out with the August rates invoices (Instalment I) and in the Twizel Update.

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2. Signage Strategy:

The Asset Manager advised that a further price for the signs had been obtained which was \$1,500 above budget. He said that if the owner of the Camping Ground agreed to contribute a third share, the cost to the Board could remain within budget.

4. Market Place Upgrade – Design Review

The Asset Manager advised that the project had been put out to tender and that two prices had been requested- one for completion of the project by the end of April 2013 and the other by November 2013. He explained that this had been done in light of recent high quotes received for some work because of contractors' commitments in Christchurch and to the Genesis canal repair project.

IV REPORTS:

1. TWIZEL WATER SUPPLY:

This report from the Utilities Engineer requested consideration of options for prospecting for water in the Ben Ohau area. It was accompanied by a copy of the report which had been tabled at the Twizel Community Board meeting on 10 December 2012 and an aerial photograph showing suggested drilling Sites 1 to 4 and geological information.

Resolved that the report be received.

Phil Rive/Elaine Curin

The Mayor reported on her approach to Mat Bayliss of Meridian Energy Ltd for assistance from the company for project. She circulated the confidential response she had received and noted that Mr Bayliss had asked the Board to make clear what it was requesting from Meridian.

The opportunity to take water from the canals was discussed and the Asset Manager suggested it could be useful to quantify the treatment costs for that water to provide a comparison of costs with other sources.

The Utilities Engineer referred to the aerial photograph and explained why he was recommending the sites for drilling. He distributed information which he had received subsequent to writing the report – *Figure 1 Location Map and Geological Setting* and *Figure 2 An Aerial View North along the Ostler Fault Zone* along with information dated 28 January 2013 from Tim Mills, Civil Engineering Team Leader - Meridian Energy Ltd.

The Chief Executive Officer endorsed the Utilities Engineer's warnings that the chances of finding a suitable source were uncertain and noted the need for direction from the Board regarding where, and how many and to what depth

bores should be drilled. He noted that the option of sourcing water from the canal remained on the table.

Resolved that Meridian Energy Ltd be asked for financial assistance to fund the drilling of exploration bores for a new water source for Twizel - one in the vicinity of Site 4 and one on another site.

Peter Bell/Kieran Walsh

The Chief Executive Officer sought confirmation of the Board's intentions for two scenarios:

- should Meridian funding support be forthcoming, and
- should Meridian support not be forthcoming.

It was confirmed that:

- two exploration bores be drilled to a depth of no greater than 100 meters.
- if Meridian funding support is received and the two initial exploration bores prove to be dry, that a further bore be drilled.
- That if Meridian funding support is not received that only two bores be drilled.

3. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT – BEN OHAU GOLF CLUB:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager was accompanied by a request from the Ben Ohau Golf Club for sponsorship for the Ben Ohau Classic Golf Tournament.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That a grant of \$100 be given to the Ben Ohau Golf Club for sponsorship for the Ben Ohau Classic Golf Tournament.

Elaine Curin/Phil Rive

3. CORRESPONDENCE FROM HIGH COUNTRY MEDICAL TRUST:

Cr Bishop noted his earlier Declaration of Interest and took no part in the discussion of the report.

This letter to the Mayor from the High Country Medical Trust dated 9 December 2012 sought funding and support from the Council for the building of a new medical centre in Twizel.

The Community Facilities Manager referred to the land leased by the Council to the Ben Ohau Golf Club and the proposal from the Trust that it sub-lease land from the Golf Club. He suggested that it would be timely for the Council to review the Golf Club's lease and avoid a sub-lease situation.

Resolved that the Council notes the Twizel Community Board's support of the High Country Medical Trust's application for funding and support for the building of a new medical centre for Twizel.

Peter Bell/Elaine Curin

4. MARKET PLACE – BIKES, SKATEBOARDS , SCOOTERS AND DOGS:

This report from the Manager – Planning and Regulations was accompanied by a letter from a group of retailers in Market Place which expressed concerns about the riding of bicycles, scooters and skateboards in Market Place and dogs in Market Place.

The Community Facilities Manager advised that the road marker would be in the area the following month and *No Dogs* and *No Cycling and Skateboarding* signs could be stencilled on concrete pavements in Market Place.

It was suggested that the Twizel Area School be asked to include an article in the school newsletter about the 1990 Bylaw which prohibits the use of bicycles and skateboards in Market Place.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That *No Dogs* and *No Cycling and Skateboarding* signs be stencilled on concrete pavements in Market Place.
3. That the relocation of bike stands to more visible sites be investigated with the view to providing enhanced security for bicycles.

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The Chief Executive Officer summarised the Board's intention to maintain the current level of informal community enforcement of the Bylaw and not consider the use of enforcement officers in the meantime.

5. APPRECIATIONS – JILL SELBIE, TWIZEL AREA SCHOOL AND HIGH COUNTRY MEDICAL TRUST:

The Chairman noted the letter from Jill Selbie congratulating the Board on the Ruataniwha lake-edge track and Twizel cycleway, and the letters of appreciation for the Board's support from the Twizel Area School and the High Country Medical Trust.

Resolved that the correspondence be received.

Peter Bell/Phil Rive

6. WARD MEMBER'S REPORT.

Cr Bishop referred to:

- the upcoming South Island and National Rowing events to be held in Twizel, and
- the absence of a Financial Report on the Agenda.

V GENERAL:

1. Land Sales:

The Chairman Peter referred to the areas of Council-owned land which had been identified during the Plan Change 15 process as being surplus to requirements. He suggested that time was right to begin marketing the land.

Resolved that it be recommended to the Council that the RES 4 Council-owned land in Twizel which had been identified during the Plan Change 15 process as being surplus to requirements, be considered for subdivision and sale.

John Bishop/Peter Bell

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.00 PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____