

# MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE LAKE TEKAPO COMMUNITY HALL, TEKAPO, ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014, AT 7.30PM

### PRESENT:

Stella Sweney (acting chairperson)  
Alan Hayman  
Cr Murray Cox  
Lyn Martin

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Claire Barlow (Mayor)  
Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive)  
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)  
Keri-Ann Little (Committee Clerk)  
Kathy Hemsworth (member of the public)  
Member of the public

### OPENING:

The acting chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting. Stephanie Hagan from the Lake Tekapo Promotion Association cannot attend this meeting, therefore the agenda item will be rescheduled to a later date.

It was noted that there had been some discussion with Eleanor from Genesis Energy and their thoughts regarding future use of grant money. They would like to see something substantial for their contributions.

Ms Sweeney said the Community Board is open for further discussion with Genesis Energy and the Promotions Committee.

### APOLOGIES:

Resolved that an apology be received from chairman Peter Munro.

**Murray Cox/ Alan Hayman**

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cr Cox said when discussing the allocations of town projects in regards to regional parks he will abstain from discussion.

### MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Tekapo Community Board held on August 25, 2014, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

**Lyn Martin/ Murray Cox**

## **TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD MATTERS UNDER ACTION:**

### **1. Civil Defence:**

Murray Cox had a conversation with Nathan Hole earlier in the week in regards to producing a response plan. Cr Cox said we require a document for the community to sight and asked Mr Hole to progress this and get something out.

### **2. Review of Freedom Camping Bylaw and its Alignment with the Freedom Camping Act:**

Bylaw workshop has been held with the community board. Mr Nixon's said this has progressed and a draft bylaw will be tabled at the planning committee meeting next week for committee approval before being release for public consultation. A pre-consultation draft has been sighted by the NZMCA with a few suggestions but overall positive feedback.

### **3. Community Hall:**

Screens have been replaced. This can now come off matters under action.

### **4. Lighting Ordinances:**

Cr Cox will be discussing this with Boffa Miskell tomorrow.

### **5. Council Owned Units for Worker Accommodation:**

The chief executive said there has been no progress on this he said he has taken it as far and he can get with the avenues taken. Tony Tosswill's development will improve this, the next step is for us to look at what Council's involvement is.

### **6. Walkways and Cycle ways:**

This will be discussed in general business.

### **7. Tekapo Plantation: Murray Place/Section A:**

Mr Nixon said the contractor is engaged and work will take place over the next month with fencing and planting.

### **8. Future of Moturiki Island:**

Mr Nixon discussed this with Sally who is still trying to facilitate discussions with the appropriate Iwi.

### **9. Request to YHA:**

To be discussed by the Tekapo Property Group on October 7.

### **10. Town Planter Boxes:**

Garth Nixon said planting is underway the planter boxes are at Whitestone and ready for distribution.

### **11. Litter at the Church of the Good Shepherd:**

Garth Nixon has received email correspondence regarding their desire to see an improvement, Mr Nixon suggested they work together. The next step is to see what areas they want to fund and part fund with Council. Mr Nixon will provide to the next meeting what funding is available for rubbish collection.

### **12. Tekapo Squash Club:**

Cr Cox had discussions with squash club committee member's in regards to moving the courts up to the community centre. Further discussions of the implementation of this long-term with an agreement that the squash club should ultimately belong to the

community. The Squash Club and staff are in discussion with the squash club regarding a move.

Mr Nixon has initiated costings and plans and when they are received there will have to be discussion with council in regards to funding.

The Mayor asked if a sports trust could be formed to help provide funding and combine efforts would be an option.

Cr Cox said yes this would be an option.

### **13. Purchase of Screen from Alpine Recreation:**

This has been completed and can be removed from matters under action.

### **14. Street Names Commercial Lane:**

Now a matter of urgency, discussion with iwi and confirmation of streets/alleyways criteria. A list of approved names from iwi will be requested.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT TO JUNE, 2014:**

This report is the financial report for the community board for the period to August 2014, the purpose of which to update board members on the financial performance of the Tekapo Community as a whole for that period.

The CEO spoke to the report assisted by the Manager, Community Facilities.

Resolved that the report be received.

**Murray Cox/ Alan Hayman**

## **PRIORITISING AND ALLOCATING FUNDS TO TOWN PROJECTS:**

Posters tabled from Ray Tansey regarding to his concern with the landscape around his property at the rear of Roto Place.

Ms Sweeney said she will respond to Mr Tanseys concerns by stating that there is plans projected for carparking in that area and further discussion will be required in regards to trees being cut back, this is number one on the priority list.

Chairman Peter Munro has outlined a suggested list of town projects as follows:

1. Landscaping the Community Centre Car park (\$80,000)
2. Walkways
  - Top priority would be starting a link into A2O to canal road (\$20,000)
    - Options discussed as Tekapo springs Information Centre being the start point and good signage for two starting point.
  - Wait for footbridge and lake front development for continuation of concrete walkway from Alpine Springs to the Regional Park and development of Domain
  - Feasibility / needs study for further development of walkways in the town
3. Rock wall extension along Main Road to Aorangi Crescent (\$30,000)

4. Upgrade of Hamilton Drive lookout (\$20,000)
5. Tidy up walkway (level and spread topsoil) and pruning /thinning trees on Lakeside Drive, plus the extension of footpath lighting (\$20,000)
6. Other projects – as well as assisting with completion of playground and solar system challenge

Cr Cox will check solar system challenge with Lions.

Resolved: That the Tekapo Community Board prioritise the town projects as per the list above with modifications and pay the funding requests as suggested above.

**Lyn Martin/ Murray Cox**

### **Funding Requests**

1. Regional park – consider either paying for the tanks or the installation of the tanks (\$6,000)

Resolved: That the Community Board pay \$6,000 to the regional park to pay for the tanks and the installation of the tanks.

**Allan Hayman / Lyn Martin**

*At the Tekapo Community Board meeting of November, 2014, a further resolution was passed and the wording of this resolution was changed to:*

*“That the community board pay \$6,000 to the regional park to pay for the tanks.”*

2. Tekapo Springs information centre – Would like to hold discussions with the promotions association regarding a possible funding stream.  
Recommend the community pay some set up funding towards the development of Start Point of A2O in Lake Tekapo. Signage and set up for Alpine Springs information centre targeted at A2O (possibly up to \$10,000)

Ms Hemsworth asked why the Tekapo Springs application was considered along with the other information centre and why her application was not treated individually on its own merits.

Cr Cox stated that Ms Hemsworth’s comments were founded however there was discussion around the community board funding a business in the town not the town as a whole. Cr Cox said the community board cannot be seen to funding individual business and only specifically funding the promotion of the town.

Ms Hemsworth suggested going away and coming back at next meeting with some tangible services for the board’s consideration.

Mr Nixon said the community grants are more for community projects and services etc. That is why we are “struggling” therefore leading to the confusion.

That a community board support the promotion of Tekapo by the way of information. Discussion will be held with the Chair on his return and Tekapo Springs will discuss with their board and meet back for further discussion.

#### **WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:**

Cr Cox said the water zone committee is active and a public meeting on Wednesday here in Tekapo between 4pm and 8pm to discuss another scenario and meeting with local Farmers and Ecan regarding significant natural areas and the regional statement on biodiversity meetings are ongoing.

The Property group is ongoing.

Twizel with the new meridian building is ongoing.

I have been contacted from Genesis today to inform that the lake is now within 400mls of the minimal lake levels.

Kathy Hemsworth stated that she had received information that the lake had to be 74 metres with 71.4 being an exceptional circumstance. Ms Hemsworth expressed her concern to the lake level stating if it goes any lower there will be difficulty running the plant at Tekapo Springs resulting in possible closure.

Cr Cox will check with Genesis Energy. Notified of public meeting on Thursday.

The regional park campsite opening is only a couple of weeks away.

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

Lyn Martin reported from the Tekapo Footbridge committee and Heartlands society will look at other projects.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS – WALKWAYS AND PATHS:**

Lyn Martin requested that this item be included on the agenda regarding a path from Hamilton Street carpark to Allan Street.

Ms Martin asked for a map in regards to all pathways. Ms Martin said she will liaise with Jana the Council IS Consultant and also liaise with the Chairman.

Mr Nixon said it is definitely something that can be looked at and funding investigated and added to the list as a needed walkway

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS – PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON TEKAPO TRAFFIC AND LANDSCAPE STUDY:**

This will take place tomorrow (October 7) between 3pm and 7pm at the Tekapo Community Hall. Ms Sweeney tendered her apologies for this information session.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS – MOUNT JOHN TRACK:**

Mt John is off limits for cyclist and dogs. Ms Martin asked if more signage can be provided. Mr Nixon said he will speak with DoC.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS  
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9:26pm**

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

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