

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TEKAPO COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE LAKE TEKAPO COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2012 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Murray Cox (Chairman)
Alan Hayman
Cr Peter Maxwell
Peter Munro
Ian Radford

IN ATTENDANCE:

Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)
Bernie Haar (Asset Manager)
Rosemary Moran (Committee Clerk)

I APOLOGIES:

Apologies were noted from the Mayor, the Chief Executive Officer and Manager – Finance and Administration.

II DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no Declarations of Interest.

III MINUTES:

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of the Tekapo Community Board held on 12 December 2011, including such parts as were taken with the Public Excluded, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Alan Hayman/Peter Munro

MATTERS UNDER ACTION

- 1. Correspondence from Pete Speedy – the area west of the Power Board Club House and Boat Ramp:**
Cr Maxwell advised that the meeting would be held when the season became quieter.
- 2. Community Facilities:**
 - The Chairman advised that he would discuss progress on the playground project with the Chairman of the Promotions Group and remind the Playground Group to submit an invoice to the Council during the week.
 - The Chairman undertook to post the plans for the community centre on the website.
- 3. Civil Defence:**
The Chairman said the Emergency Management Officer had yet to come back to him regarding the appointment of wardens for the Tekapo area.

4. **Lakeside Drive Walkway:**
Peter Maxwell undertook to convene the onsite meeting with the Asset Manager and Barry Green regarding the suggestion that more lighting was needed to encourage people to use the walkway.

IV REPORTS:

1. FINANCIAL REPORT – OCTOBER 2011:

This report from the Manager – Finance and Administration was accompanied by the financial report for the Board for the period to December 2011.

Resolved that the report be received.

Alan Hayman/Ian Radford

2. MEETINGS SCHEDULE:

This report from the Chief Executive Officer was accompanied by a proposed schedule of meetings for the Tekapo Community Board for the remainder of 2012.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the following schedule of Tekapo Community Board meetings for the remainder of 2012 be confirmed:
 - 26 March 2012 at 7.30 pm
 - 7 May 2012 at 7.00 pm
 - 18 June 2012 at 7.00 pm
 - 30 July 2012 at 7.00 pm
 - 10 September 2012 at 7.00 pm
 - 15 October 2012 at 7.30 pm
 - 26 November 2012 at 7.30 pm

Peter Maxwell/Ian Radford

The Chairman undertook to check that the meeting scheduled for 15 October 2012 did not clash with a Fire Brigade practice night.

3. LAKE TEKAPO TENNIS COURTS - TENDERS:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager sought delegation of authority to accept a tender for the reconstruction of the tennis courts at Lake Tekapo.

Resolved that the report be received.

Ian Radford/Peter Maxwell

Resolved that authority be delegated to the Chairman of the Tekapo Community Board and the Community Facilities Manager to accept a tender for the reconstruction of the tennis courts at Lake Tekapo.

Ian Radford/Peter Munro

4. LAKE TEKAPO TENNIS COURTS - WORKS:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager advised of requests for tree removals and other works associated with the tennis courts. The report was accompanied by a copy of an email from Chris Monson.

Resolved that the report be received.

Peter Maxwell /Peter Munro

Resolved:

1. That the Tekapo Community Board approves the removal of the required trees in the vicinity of the proposed works.
2. That a landscape plan for the replanting of the area be submitted to the Community Board.
3. That the provision of a backboard in the development of the courts be approved.
4. That the remaining requests be considered in conjunction with the redevelopment of the Lake Tekapo Community Hall.

Peter Maxwell/Peter Munro

5. SILVER BIRCH TREES ON APPROACHES TO LAKE TEKAPO:

This report from the Community Facilities Manager provided an estimate of the cost for selective tree removal and remedial pruning of Silver Birch trees along SH 8 from Sandy Cutting to Lake Tekapo.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Community Board approves the tree pruning works as proposed.
3. That Ian and Radford and the Community Facilities Manager mark the trees to be removed.

Peter Maxwell/Alan Hayman

6. DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN FOR LAKE TEKAPO:

This report from the Chairman referred to the recent review of community facilities at Lake Tekapo and the factors which would have an impact on the Township over the following ten years. The report commented on Community Facilities, Sports Facilities, Recreation Facilities, Visitor Facilities, Camping and Staff Accommodation.

There was a discussion about the proposed developments on the VC I land and the need for the Board to work alongside the developers.

The Community Facilities Manager advised that he had made provision in the Long Term Plan for an assessment of staff housing needs in the District.

Resolved that the Draft Long Term Plan for Lake Tekapo be received and that the Board notes the intention that the Plan be reviewed and updated.

Murray Cox/Peter Maxwell

7. WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Maxwell updated the Board on progress with Village Centre Development plans.

8. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE BOARD ON OTHER COMMITTEES:

Peter Munro reported that:

- The **Lake Tekapo Footbridge Committee** was continuing to raise funds for the footbridge project.
- The shed was now on site at the **Tekapo White Water Canoe Course**; however there were problems with trees in the area.

The Chairman referred to the **Lake Tekapo Regional Park** and advised that:

- clearing work was continuing along the Lakeside Walkway and in the Dog Park; and that
- resource consent had been gained for the Motorhome Association Park.
- A meeting with Environment Canterbury regarding plans for progress over the next 12 months was imminent.

VI GENERAL:

1. LANDSCAPING AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD:

The Asset Manager noted that further input was required from the elected members and undertook to arrange for the Manager – Roading to liaise with the Chairman, Ian Radford and David Scott at an on-site meeting.

Mr Radford advised that the Tekapo Enhancement Group would be happy to become involved in the project.

2. SUITABLE FREEDOM CAMPING SITES FOR THE LAKE TEKAPO AREA:

The Chairman reported that Genesis Energy Ltd had advised that it was their intention to prohibit freedom camping on their structures and the immediate areas around them, as well as on both sides of the Tekapo canal including the roads and berms.

It was suggested that the Chairman and Peter Munro consult with Genesis Energy regarding the Company's stance on freedom camping.

The Community Facilities Manager undertook to contact LINZ regarding their attitude to permitting freedom camping to continue at the existing informal area near the outlet and Lake McGregor/Lake Alexandrina. This could enable control to be maintained by a warden over peak periods.

It was agreed that the Council be advised that the existing freedom camping areas should be retained in the meantime and that further suitable areas were being investigated.

3. LAKE TEKAPO I-SITE FUNDING:

The Chairman referred to a proposal for support of the on-going operation of the Lake Tekapo i-SITE until 30 June 2012.

Resolved:

1. That the Tekapo Community Board (TCB) offers to underwrite the operations of the Lake Tekapo i-SITE to a maximum amount of \$25,000 for the period 1 February 2012 to 30 June 2012, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. the i-SITE continues to trade until the 30th June 2012;
 - b. the MTDT will involve both the Community Board and the Lake Tekapo Promotions Assn in future discussions on the long term management and future funding of the Lake Tekapo i-SITE;
 - c. MTDT will continue to source outside funding to offset on-going losses of the Lake Tekapo i-SITE;
 - d. payment of any funds will be to a maximum of \$5,000 per month;
 - e. payments to be at the end of each month's trading following presentation of the accounts to the TCB;
 - f. that, should the i-SITE cease to operate or the Mackenzie District Council indicates that it no longer supports the MTDT managing the i-SITE, the agreement would cease and the TCB would not be responsible for underwriting any on-going debts.
2. That the offer is a one-off and there is no guarantee that the Tekapo Community Board will assist the future financial operation of the i-SITE in Lake Tekapo.

Peter Munro/Ian Radford

Alan Hayman voted against the motion.

4. PROPOSED TREE FELLING AREAS:

The Community Board considered an aerial photograph which illustrated areas of trees in the Tekapo Plantation which the Mackenzie Forestry Board had advised were next on the list for felling. The Community Facilities Manager said the Forestry Board had requested feedback, including ideas on the nature of plantings which might be replaced behind Murray Place. He said that Kevin O'Neill, the Forest Manager, would be happy to talk to Community Board members.

The Community Facilities Manager said the area was currently designated local purpose reserve currently used for forestry, and that community-type uses, including camping grounds, could be compatible with the purpose of the reserve.

Peter Munro noted the need for the walkway to be closed and re-established following the harvest.

The Asset Manager asked for information about plans for access to the area for the harvest.

The Chairman suggested the upcoming project be signalled in the Accessible with an invitation for comments to be submitted to members of the Community Board.

5. VARIOUS:

It was requested that the **edges of the Lakeside Drive walkway** be built up and that shingle be laid on **walkway by the Dam up to Murray Place**.

Cr Maxwell suggested that the **campervan dump station** near Lakeside Drive be relocated. The Community Facilities Manager undertook to investigate alternative sites for the facility.

Problems associated with **car parking on Aorangi Crescent below the big gate at the Lake Tekapo School** were discussed. The Asset Manager said that he could not support the establishment of angle parking in that area; however he undertook to investigate the opportunity of gaining further width which could help alleviate the problems.

Ian Radford expressed concern that the **plans for the entrance way to the community hall** on the website did not reflect the angled-up entrance way which had been proposed by Colin McLaren.

The Community Facilities Manager said that the engineers had noted the need for more work to be done on the entrance way and he undertook to pass Mr McLaren's proposal on to them.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE
CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.35 PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____