

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTRE, TWIZEL ON MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2014 AT 4PM

PRESENT:

John Bishop (Chairman)
Pat Shuker
Phil Rive
Cr Russell Armstrong

IN ATTENDANCE:

Claire Barlow (Mayor)
Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive)
Garth Nixon (Community Facilities Manager)
Arlene Goss (Committee Clerk)

Liz Bloomfield (Twizel Youth Centre)
Christine Lavery (Twizel Youth Centre)

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for lateness were received from Bruce White. He did not attend the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Twizel Community Board held on January 28, 2014, including those parts taken in public excluded, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Pat Shuker/Russell Armstrong

The chairman asked about the mowing of sections. The chief executive reported that the process has gone well this year. Council is still liaising with the owners of three sections to get a resolution. The rest have been mown.

TWIZEL COMMUNITY BOARD MATTERS UNDER ACTION:

1. Town Projects:

a. Tekapo Drive:

Levelling and re-sowing has been completed, will be rolled again in the spring.
Tekapo Drive track has been sprayed.

b. Lake Ruataniwha:

Bollard fencing – Phil Rive has received a report of trouble with drivers on the gravel road but he has not seen evidence of this. He asked when this work would start.
Garth Nixon said he would like to get fencing underway before tree felling starts. He is organising a fencing contractor.

- c. Greenway fencing – One greenway was recently completed, one still to complete. This is being done presently.
- d. Cemetery – Garth Nixon said his plan was to finish this at the same time as other work at Lake Ruataniwha.

2. **Public Toilets:**

Tenders close on the 13th March. Garth Nixon hopes to have a plan soon after and a paper on this matter will go to the full council meeting.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL STRATEGIC WORKSHOP:

The community board considered a report from the strategic workshop held by councillors on January 28, 2014. The Mayor invited the community board to give feedback. The chairman said he was pleased to see economic development included in the strategy.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the community board endorses the strategic workshop objectives.

Phil Rive/Russell Armstrong

ALKALINE ADJUSTMENT OF TWIZEL WATER:

The board discussed the report. The chief executive said water in Twizel is slightly acidic and will chew out the cement in the pipes. Hot water cylinders don't last as long in Twizel as in other places. Asset staff looked into the possibility of correcting the acidity of the water supply. Results have come back to say it's not worthwhile to do this because it will cost too much compared to the potential return.

Resolved that the report be received.

John Bishop/Pat Shuker

TWIZEL YOUTH CENTRE BUILDING:

A builder has inspected the building and listed its current problems. The damaged caused by the significant rain event will be fixed under insurance, but the rest of the work will need additional funds.

Liz Bloomfield from the Youth Centre said she would like to speak to the builder personally regarding the issues. She was not sure where the youth centre group would stand if the roof caved in. The chairman said the building was up to code and was structurally sound.

Two scenarios were discussed: if the community board did the extra work, on top of the insurance work, the community board would continue to lease the building to the Youth Centre and would take care of ongoing maintenance. If the Youth Centre did the work and took responsibility for the building, then ownership could pass to the Youth Centre.

Cr Armstrong said we need to come up with some figures on what it would cost to repair it. Garth Nixon said he had not researched costs because some of the work could be done voluntarily with donated materials and labour.

Liz Bloomfield said the young people were happy to be involved in restoring the building. The chairman asked the Youth Centre representatives to speak to the builder and come back to the community board with a decision. Liz Bloomfield requested a copy of the old lease and Garth Nixon agreed to send a copy to them.

There was discussion on whether the zoning of the land could be changed to allow sub-letting to rowers to raise funds. This process would be expensive.

Garth Nixon questioned whether the group was structured in a way that it could own property and whether the Youth Centre would be better to come under the umbrella of another organisation. This was something the group would need to consider.

Resolved:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Community Board waits for the Youth Centre to come back to them with a proposal on how they wish to proceed.

Phil Rive/Russell Armstrong

TPDA USE OF EVENTS CENTRE:

Garth Nixon and John Bishop have met with the TPDA regarding their use of the Twizel Events Centre. TPDA are keen to continue to occupy the centre. The outcome of the meeting was to review the existing agreement to reflect the needs of both parties, including what they could do for the community board in return for remaining in the Events Centre. An agreement was drafted but discussion showed the TPDA staff did not want to perform more tasks as suggested by the community board. The TPDA instead suggested providing \$5000 worth of advertising in the Twizel Update in return for their space.

The community board discussed how the Events Centre would be managed if the TPDA decided to leave it, and the security of the building at night. At the moment the building is not always closed at night and an arrangement is needed regarding closing windows and doors at the end of the day.

There was discussion on the costs of advertising. This figure needs to be checked to see if council normally spends \$5000 on advertising in the Twizel Update.

The chief executive asked if the community board saw value in supporting the TPDA because of their role in the community. There is some tension between the roles of community board and TPDA and it would be helpful for the TPDA to come to a community board meeting and speak about what they are doing and request support.

The board discussed the idea of supporting the TPDA on a case-by-case basis with major events like the Salmon Festival.

The chairman suggested the motion:

That the Twizel Community Board supports the TPDA in continuing to use the Twizel Events Centre, and the rental will be set at \$5000 per year, with the community board supporting the TPDA to hold individual events if they request it.

He did not gain a seconder for his motion.

The chief executive suggested holding further discussions rather than passing a resolution, and he would like to check how much council pays for advertising to inform decision making.

Councillor Armstrong put the motion:

That the Twizel Community Board supports the work of the TPDA and will find out how much is spent on advertising with them before taking the issue further.

Pat Shuker seconded the motion and it was put to a vote.

Resolved: that the Twizel Community Board supports the work of the TPDA and will find out how much is spent on advertising with them before taking the issue further.

Russell Armstrong/Pat Shuker

WARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Cr Russell Armstrong outlined recent decisions made by the council. This includes an agreement to sponsor the South Canterbury Sports Awards at \$525. The Asset and Services Committee has also agreed that ESL upgrade the current solid waste recycling and sorting system at Twizel. The request by Students against Drunk Driving for the Mackenzie District Council to pay half the cost of resource consent for their sign at Twizel was approved. The Mackenzie District Archive Society was granted 9,600 to undertake the painting of their new archive building and this will be rated for in next years' budget.

There was some discussion regarding the decision by ESL to upgrade the recycling centre. It was agreed this is great news for Twizel.

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

There were no reports from members who represent the community board on other committees.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

WORKING BEE – NORTHWEST ARCH:

Board member Pat Shuker said a lot of wilding pines have grown in this area. She estimates there is 6-7 hours' work involved in removing them. She is working with others to hold a working bee in this area. The chairman asked Pat to organise a Saturday within the next month and he will place an advert in the Twizel Update, with community board members invited to join the effort.

LATE ITEMS

LETTER FROM ELAINE CURIN, TWIZEL COMMUNITY CARE TRUST, REGARDING A CALL FOR NOMINATION OF A BOARD MEMBER TO BE A TRUSTEE:

A letter from the Twizel Community Care Trust was tabled at the meeting and is an appendix to these minutes. It calls for the nomination of a community board member to be a trustee. Garth Nixon said the Community Care Trust is also asking for a review of funding it receives from the Community Board. He suggested a meeting with them to discuss both the money and what they are wanting from a community board representative.

The board agreed that this meeting should occur and a report come back to the community board.

LETTER FROM JILL SELBIE REGARDING PUBLIC TOILETS AT MAX SMITH DRIVE:

A letter from Jill Selbie was tabled at the meeting and is an appendix to these minutes. The chairman said he has talked to Angie Taylor, Twizel Town Manager, regarding this. She inspected the toilets and they were a little dirty. Garth Nixon spoke about the cleaning of the toilets. They are serviced on a limited basis and there is an opportunity to increase the level of service if the community board wishes. There have not been any complaints from the users of the toilets.

The chairman offered to phone Jill Selbie and discuss the issue with her. He suggested offering her a role of voluntary camping warden to keep an eye on the site.

Phil Rive agreed that her suggestion of a sign at the top of the track to deter motorbikes would be useful. He also has posts that can be used to block access and offered to install them.

The chairman will talk to Jill Selbie regarding all this and report back to the board.

INVITATION TO WELCOME MAADI CUP PARTICIPANTS:

The chairman has received a card from the organising committee of the Maadi Cup inviting him to attend the welcoming parade for participants, coaches, helpers and visitors to Twizel.

Resolved that the chairman and the Mayor attend the welcoming parade of the Maadi Cup on the 23rd on behalf of the community board.

Pat Shuker/Russell Armstrong

DISCUSSION ON TWIZEL PUBLIC TOILETS:

Phil Rive asked regarding the timeframe to demolish the public toilets in the Twizel town centre. Garth Nixon said the tenders close on March 13 and work over winter would be weather dependent.

Garth Nixon said he received a phone call earlier this week from a member of the public asking what is happening to this building and saying its part of Twizel's

history. He said the community board needed to form a position on the building and the space.

The chairman said we need to have a plan so the community knows what will happen to the land down the track. He would like to put this topic on the agenda for a future meeting.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.33PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____

08/03/2014

90 Max Smith Drive

TWIZEL

Twizel Community Board

Market Place

TWIZEL

Dear Board Members

First of all I would like to congratulate you on the initiative of placing a toilet down on the reserve off Max Smith Drive for all the boaties and picnickers.

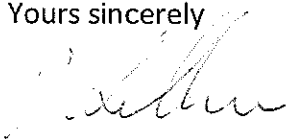
The downside was that they weren't cleaned or if they were not that often. I did an inspection the other day and it was so disgusting, I rang Angie to either have it either cleaned or removed. It was not a good look for Twizel. I had also had a report that it was very bad over the New Year weekend as well. A most unhealthy situation, and you might not as well go the expense and trouble if they aren't cleaned on a daily basis over the 14 days of Christmas and New Year, and other times on a Monday and Friday would ensure a clean toilet for the weekend and to be cleaned immediately after.

We were also concerned at the number of campers that had set up on the reserve on Boxing Day and some were installed where the boaties need to tie up. There are no NO CAMPING signs, and the LIGHT NO FIRES sign has gone and there have been fires down on the peninsula as well as at the start of the lakeside track. If a fire gets into those trees on the bank it doesn't bear thinking about. The rubbish situation has much improved but a sign to remind the users to take their rubbish with them would be good too.

The number of motocross bikes using the reserve has also decreased and I think mainly because of the larger sign at the top of the track off Ostler Road, but I have challenged three and pointed out to them the signs. They still continue to use the lakeside track as there isn't any signage at the bottom of the track for those who continue to come from the camping ground area. Another large sign like the one at the top of the track would be good for all.

Thanking you in anticipation for the consideration given to this letter.

Yours sincerely



Jill Selbie

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14 February 2014

Mr John Bishop
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Service Agency
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Dear John,


Twizel Community Care Trust – Heartland Services

The Twizel Community Care Trust (TCCT) invites the Community Board to nominate a current board member to be a Trustee of our organisation. The TCCT Deed identifies one of the Trustees to be from the Twizel Community Board. The current Trustee nominated by the Community Board is Elaine Curin.

The Trust would also appreciate an opportunity to discuss with the Community Board a re-consideration of the Mackenzie District Council's financial contribution to the Trust.

The Trustees are more than happy to be available to meet at a time convenient to the Community Board to discuss both the nomination of trustee and any funding issues with the Trust.

Yours sincerely,



Elaine Curin
Board Chairperson
Twizel Community Care Trust