

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND REGULATION COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE, ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015, AT 1.24PM

PRESENT:

Cr Murray Cox (Chairman)
Mayor Claire Barlow
Cr Graham Smith
Cr James Leslie

IN ATTENDANCE:

Wayne Barnett (Chief Executive Officer)
Nathan Hole (Planning and Regulation Manager)
Arlene Goss (Committee Clerk)
David Caldwell (Director, Tavendale & Partners)
Toni Morrison (Policy Planner)
Julie Jongen (Committee Clerk)

APOLOGIES:

An apology was received from Cr Jackson, Cr Williams and Cr Armstrong.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Regulation Committees held on November 25, 2014, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

Mayor Barlow/Cr Smith

Resolved that the minutes of the hearing of submissions of the Planning and Regulation Committee held on November 27, 2014, be confirmed and adopted as the correct record of the meeting.

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Rob Hands joined the meeting at 2.13pm

REPORTS:

DAMAGE AND REPAIR OF THE TEKAPO RURAL FIRE TANKER (ROB HANDS):

There was a house fire at Burkes Pass which the Tekapo tanker was responding to. The driver was a HT licenced driver but not necessarily qualified to Fire Service standards. He was driving on the road coming down Burkes Pass and proceeded to change into the wrong gear causing the motor to receive major damage. In regards to repairs there were 3 options, the decision was made to purchase the newest of two second hand motors. The vehicle is now repaired and back on the road at a cost of \$25,000.

Cr Leslie questioned about insurance covering repairs. The Chief Executive stated that Council will make enquires about insurance cover.

TWIZEL FIRE AND DAMAGE TO TWIZEL RURAL FIRE TANKER (ROB HANDS):

Fire crews attempted 2–3 times to break through double deer fences, the end result was damage to 8 fences. They didn't carry wire cutters. The fire truck was deemed unsafe as the brakes, front grill, lights and front of the truck were all damaged. The cost for damage was \$7800. Communication was lacking between the RFO, trucks and tanker. Fortunately we had extra support from locals and without them the situation would've been worse.

The Chief Executive questioned how as a Council can we prepare or assist in avoiding these events. Rob responded with responsibility is on the owners, education in the communities, trimming of trees and growing paddocks of Lucerne.

Cost of fire suppression is about \$20,000, cost of damaged fencing approximately \$20,000

Water pressures may not be as strong as could be. The Chief Executive stated that Council made a decision in the past about an inline booster pump on the water supply, but this doesn't seem to have happened.

Mayor Barlow suggested the links available for fire safety, weather awareness be put on the Councils website.

PLANNING AND REGULATION MANAGER'S ACTIVITY REPORT:

The purpose of this report was to provide the committee with an activity report for planning and regulations for the period 18 November 2014 to 26 January, 2015.

Resolved that the report be received.

Cr Leslie/Cr Smith

DISTRICT PLAN REVIEW AND COSTINGS:

Council made a decision late last year to do as much as possible in house and not outsource the work to planning consultants. There is a shortage of planners due to the Christchurch re-build.

Due to shortage of resources it may be necessary to outsource more of this project now. Possibility of using Patricia Harte from Davie Lovell-Smith with costings around \$350,000. These costs are approximate to get the District Plan Review to the conclusion of Council hearings, and do not include any appeals to the Environment Court.

Cr Cox asked who makes the decision as to whether this is out sourced or in house. The Chief Executive replied it is an "in house" decision and if it needs to be outsourced Council would be informed.

VERBAL REPORTS FROM THE WATER ZONE COMMITTEES:

Cr Cox said the Upper Waitaki Water Zone committee have formed a Nitrogen Allocation Working Group.

Cr Cox stated Council need to look at the agreement between Waitaki and the Mackenzie, it needs commitment between the Mackenzie Council agreement and the Water zone committee.

The Chief Executive and Mayor have a meeting scheduled with Nikki Wagner to talk about the Mackenzie agreement, and to reach a point where there is trust with the land owners and DOC.

The Nitrogen allocation group are coming up with ideas how nitrogen should be allocated across the catchment, and what methods would they use and if there is a possibility of a trade situation.

PUBLIC EXCLUDED:

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

1. Discussion on public excluded minutes, Planning and Regulation meeting November 25, 2014.
2. Plan Change 13 – Outcome of Mediation on Hazards (attached).

3. Plan Change 13 – position on Federated Farmers application for leave to apply to the Court of Appeal (attached).

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Previous Minutes November 25, 2014	Maintain legal professional privilege	48(1)(a)(i)
Plan Change 13 Outcome of Mediation	Maintain legal professional privilege	48(1)(a)(i)
Plan Change 13 Position on Fed Farmers	Maintain legal professional privilege	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: *All items under section 7(2)(g).*

Mayor Barlow/Cr Leslie

The Planning and Regulation Committee continued in open meeting.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE
CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 3.32PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____

DATE: _____