

METHVEN COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

REPORT and MINUTES of a **MEETING** of the **METHVEN COMMUNITY BOARD** held in the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall, Methven, on Monday 27 February, 2006, commencing at 1.30 pm.

PRESENT: Mr M Nordqvist (Chair), Mrs B Anderson, Mr D den Baars, Mr V Barrett, Mr D Wilson, and Cr K Lowe.

Also in attendance Corporate Services Manager and Administration Officer.

Four member of the public attended the meeting.

APOLOGIES: His Worship the Mayor, Mr B O'Malley and Cr D Glass **Sustained**

Extraordinary Business

"That pursuant to Section 46a of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the following item be introduced as extraordinary business and considered later in the meeting.

- **Zone 5 Community Board Forum**

Reason Discussion required before the next Council meeting."

Anderson / Barrett

Carried

Minutes

The resolution confirming the minutes was amended to show the correct date of the next meeting as Monday 27 February 2006.

"That the minutes of the Methven Community Board Inaugural Meeting held on Monday, 16 January 2006, as amended, be taken as read and confirmed."

Barrett / Anderson

Carried

Activity Reports

"That the reports be received."

Anderson / den Baars

Carried

Discussion of items not shown on the Agenda

Mr Nordqvist and Mrs Anderson attend the Zone 5 Community Board Forum on 28 January and advised that 'General Business' is included as an item on other Board's agenda's. The Corporate Services Manager explained that there is no provision for 'General Business' to be included as an agenda item, however in certain circumstances Standing Orders provide for items to be introduced as Extraordinary Business. Mr Rollinson agreed to investigate practices in other areas.

Minor Maintenance Works Contract

Mrs Anderson asked whether maintenance of the area in front of the Medical Centre is part of the Minor Maintenance contract, her concerns will be recorded as a request for service and referred to the Roading and Street Services Manager.

Road Resealing

Mr Nordqvist queried when the resurfacing of the mall would be completed if acceptable rates were not received and when the resealing work at the entrance to the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall is scheduled to be completed. This information will be requested from the Roading and Street Services Manager.

Annual Plan 2006/07

The Corporate Services Manager advised that Board Members will receive a copy of the draft Annual Plan as soon as it is finalised and that the document will be open for submissions from 11 April to 11 May 2006.

Methven Landfill / Refuse Collection

Mr Wilson and Mr den Baars expressed concern that Methven is under resourced in its refuse facilities specifically compared to the services available in Rakaia. Cr Lowe advised that the situation in Rakaia is unique as it is run by a voluntary group. Mr Wilson sought clarification on the present situation and the plans for the future. Mr Nordqvist advised that the Board had agreed to a one year trial period of the

current facilities, following the closure of the landfill in July 2005. Mr Wilson and Mr den Baars felt that the Board should address the situation as soon as possible, however the remainder of the Board agreed that the trial period needed to be completed in order for informed decisions to be made about future facilities and services required for Methven. The Corporate Services Manager noted that extensive consultation had been undertaken prior to the closure of the landfill and that the Board and Council had agreed to the twelve month trial period. Mr Wilson and Mr den Baars will be provided with copies of previous reports that outlined the options and the decision to implement the current system. The Board also requested information on the current facilities in Methven, what items are required to be transported to Ashburton and the data Council is gathering during the trial period.

Tree Beautification Planting Programme

Board members advised that Barbara Duffy and Gwen Goodwin had also indicated their interest in being involved in the project. Their details will be passed onto the Parks Manager.

Requests for Service

The Board briefly discussed the procedure for trees overhanging footpath and were advised to contact Council and a notice would be issued to the property owner.

“That Mr Jessep be granted speaking rights.”

Barrett / Anderson

Carried

Mr Jessep spoke in support of Council enforcing the bylaw for overhanging trees and maintaining roadsides.

Mr den Baars reported that there are approximately 23 broken tiles in the townships CBD that have not been repaired or replaced despite numerous requests for service to the Council.

Extraordinary Business

Zone 5 Community Board Forum

Mr Nordqvist and Mrs Anderson attended the Zone 5 Community Board Forum, on 28 January in Rolleston. Mr Nordqvist and Mrs Anderson informed members about the keynote speakers and topics covered at the forum. The Board discussed the possibility of hosting a forum in the future.

“That the Board prepare a submission to the Draft 2006/07 Annual Plan requesting that Council’s support for the Board hosting a Zone 5 Community Board Forum in the future.”

Barrett / Anderson

Carried

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Methven Community Board will be on Monday, 10 April 2006, in the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall, Commencing at 1.30 pm.

The meeting concluded at 3.00 pm.