

Minutes –15 March 2021

Minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on Monday 15 March 2021, commencing at 10.30am, in the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall Boardroom, 160 Main Street, Methven.

Present

Dan McLaughlin (Chairman), Kelvin Holmes, Ron Smith, Sonia McAlpine and Cr Liz McMillan.

In attendance

Steve Fabish (GM Community Services), Brian Fauth (Roading Manager), Hernando Marilla (Roading Engineer – Northern), Jeremy Lambert (Roading Engineer – Southern) and Carol McAtamney (Governance Officer).

HEB - Conrad McLean (Contract Manager), Rupal Sharma (Supervisor – Northern)

1 Apologies

Mayor Neil Brown, Richie Owen and Cr Rodger Letham Sustained

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Declarations of Interest

8.4 - Discretionary Grants

Kelvin Holmes and Ron Smith, as members of the Lions Club, declared an interest in the application and took no part in the decision making process.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on 1 February 2021, be taken as read and confirmed.

McAlpine/Smith

Carried

Public Forum

Jess Wilson - Wellbeing Opuke

Wellbeing Opuke became a Incorporated Charitable Trust in February 2021. The current Trustees are Mark Ellis, Connie Quigley, Megan Fitzgerald, Michelle Brett and Adam Williams.

A 'Neighbour's Day' event , with the theme 'The Great Plant Swap' is to be held on Thursday 25 March from 3pm to 5pm at the Methven Medical Centre.

MPI have announced that they have funding available for the establishment of Rural Community Hubs. Wellbeing Opuke are looking for representatives from interested parties to assist with putting together an expression of interest to define where the hub will be located, who it would benefit etc. A meeting will be scheduled within 2-3 weeks.

5 Activity Reports

That the reports be received

McMillan/McAlpine

Carried

5 Community Services

5.6 Tree Lighting

Estimated costs for the purchase, installation and connections of multi-coloured lights for the two Oak trees located outside the Blue Pub and the medical centre is \$7,000. This project is to be funded on a 50/50 basis with the ADC.

That the Board authorise the expenditure of 50% of the total cost, up to a value of \$3,500, from the Discretionary fund for the purchase, installation and connection of multi-coloured lights for the two Oak trees located outside the Blue Pub and the medical centre.

Holmes/McMillan

Carried

7 Infrastructure Services

7.1 Roothing

Tiled Footpath Cleaning

Special cleaning of tiled footpaths was postponed from December 2020 and the work is scheduled to begin in March 2021. The second part of the contract will commence in June 2021.

8 Business Support and Governance

8.4 Discretionary Grant

That the Board approve funding of \$25,000 to the Methven Lions Club to complete Racecourse Loop 1 enhancement and to commence Cemetery Loop 2 construction.

McAlpine/McMillan

Carried

That the Board approve funding of \$2,000 towards signage and printed materials to advertise/promote the Methven Scarecrow Trail.

Holmes/Smith

Carried

The Board requested that a summary of grant payments be included in the agenda.

The meeting concluded at 12.00pm.

Dated 3 May 2021

 **Chairman**