

## Methven Community Board

2 March 2020



### *Minutes – 2 March 2020*

Minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on Monday 2 March 2020, commencing at 10.32am, in the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall Boardroom, 160 Main Street, Methven.

#### **Present**

Dan McLaughlin (Chairman), Kelvin Holmes, Sonia McAlpine, Ron Smith and Richie Owen; Crs Liz McMillan and Rodger Letham.

#### **In attendance**

Cr Angus McKay, Neil McCann (Group Manager - Service Delivery), Brian Fauth (Roading Manager), Bevan Rickerby (Economic Development Manager) Mike McKenzie (Methven Townsman) and Clare Harden (Community Administration Officer).

#### **1 Apologies**

Mayor Neil Brown

Sustained

#### **2 Extraordinary Business**

The Chair was asked to consider an item of extraordinary business, being a request to increase the Board's discretionary funding. The Board agreed to discuss this later in the meeting.

#### **3 Declarations of Interest**

Nil.

#### **4 Confirmation of Minutes**

**That** the minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on 20 January 2020, be taken as read and confirmed.

Smith/McAlpine

Carried

#### **5 Declaration of new Board Member**

The statutory declaration was made by Richie Owen, as required by cl. 14, Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002. The declaration was witnessed by the Deputy Mayor and the Board Chairman.

#### **6.2 Infrastructure**

Neil McCann introduced the new Methven townsman, Mike McKenzie. His work area will include Lake Camp and the inland scenic areas.

- **Paving cleaning**

Clarification was sought on frequency and standard of the paving cleaning. The Board is concerned that the level of service is not up to standard. The Roading Manager agreed to follow this up.

- **Cemetery footpath**

The Roading Manager advised that the extension of the footpath is budgeted in the next financial year. He explained that unspent money from the town centre budget will be used to bring forward the work.

**That** the Methven Community Board supports the progress of the footpath extension from the end of the footpath on Line Road to the cemetery, as programmed.

McMillan/Smith

Carried

- **Water Supply and Wastewater**

Have had two workshops, the 3<sup>rd</sup> session is with Paul Dixey 2 March.

- **Trees at Methven Walkway and Cemetery**

The Group Manager Infrastructure Services confirmed that the spraying work can be undertaken by Council if that's the Board's wish.

**That** the Methven cemetery spraying will be undertaken by Council's open spaces team twice a year.

Smith/McAlpine

Carried

- **Speed Limit Review**

MCB have completed a submission and passed to the Council. The submission hearings are scheduled for Wednesday 1 and Thursday 2 April.

- **Discretionary fund, Mt Harding Track**

A proposed budget was presented for the Board's consideration. This will cover the silica sand and layer of lime chip, also the bridge build for the Mt Harding Road walkway from Mary Holmes boundary to RDR.

**That** funding for development and maintenance of the Mt Harding Track, in the amount of \$5,155.00, be provided from the Board's discretionary fund.

Holmes/McAlpine

Carried

- **205 Main Street**

Sonya McAlpine noted that a previous request for service to fix a streetlight hasn't been actioned. The Roading Manager agreed to follow this up.

### 6.3 **Governance & Business Support**

- **Finance report**

Clarification has been sought to the amount shown on Finance report for insurance budgeted and month to date, why this is different.

The Board agreed that it would useful see available funds in the Discretionary budget on the finance report as an item.

## **7 Extraordinary Business – Discretionary fund**

The Board agreed they would like to have the ability to respond to more requests for funding assistance for Methven community projects and this could only be achieved if the discretionary fund is increased.

### **Recommendation to Council (9 April 2020)**

**That** the Methven Community Board requests that Council increases the Board's discretionary fund from \$10,000 to \$25,000 in the 2020-21 year.

Holmes/Smith

Carried

- **Historical panels**

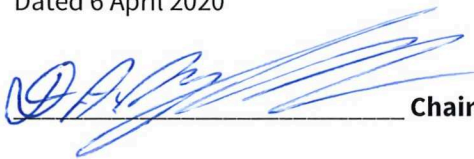
Cr McMillan reported that some sites around the town have been identified as suitable for historical panels. A business case will be presented to the Board's next meeting.

- **Workshop**

The Board will hold an informal workshop on Tuesday 24 March at 5.30pm.

The meeting concluded at 12.11pm.

Dated 6 April 2020

 **Chairman**

