

Minutes –13 June 2022

Minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on Monday 13 June 2022, commencing at 10.30am, in the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall Boardroom, 160 Main Street, Methven.

Present

Mayor Neil Brown, Dan McLaughlin (Chair), Kelvin Holmes, Cr Liz McMillan, Cr Rodger Letham, Richie Owen, Ron Smith and Sonya McAlpine.

In attendance

Neil McCann (GM Service Delivery), Hernando Marilla (Operations Manager) and Carol McAtamney (Governance Support)

1 Apologies

Nil.

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Declarations of Interest

Nil.

4 Confirmation of Minutes

Amendment: The date of the meeting should be noted as 2 May 2022, not 2021 as stated.

That the minutes of the Methven Community Board meeting held on 2 May 2022, be taken as read and confirmed.

Smith/McAlpine

Carried

5 Activity Reports

That the reports be received.

Holmes/McAlpine

Carried

5 Community Services

5.1 Open Spaces

- Cemetery – needs a grader to go through to level out the hollow and remove the hump.
- It was queried as to whether there would be opportunity to invite community members to become involved in the planting of the native trees on the eastern bund of the root-raked materials.

7 Infrastructure Services

7.1 Roading

- Council has approved funding of \$30,000 to establish a shingle footpath along SH77 to the Ōpuke Thermal Pools.

- An entrance sign to the Hot Pools has made a big difference on the road as the public can now see the entrance and are not attempting u-turns on the State Highway.

8 Business Support & Governance

8.1 Remuneration

- The Remuneration Authority have released the Local Government Members (2022/23) Determination which sets out an increase for Methven community Board Members effective 1 July 2022.

Consultation

Council are currently seeking feedback for two consultation documents and the MCB have agreed to prepare submissions on both consultations, closing date 23 June.

- Waste Management & Minimisation Plan 2022 (Richie Owen to prepare)
- Trading in Public Places bylaw, both closing on 23 June (TBC who will prepare)

8.3 Finance

- The Community Services budget is showing a balance of \$34,499.25 with only two months of the financial year remaining. At a previous meeting a Council Accountant advised the Board that the transfer of reserves cannot be undertaken until after the accounts have been audited.
- The Board would like the Community Services cost amounts adjusted monthly so that the account balance is more accurate.

8.4 Funding Requests

That the Methven Community Board approves funding of \$1,480 from the Board's discretionary fund to the Methven Ecological Garden Group to establish a watering system for an educational laboratory/hub.

Letham/McMillan

Carried

That the application from the Methven Library and Museum Management Committee for the installation of a donors' recognition panel lie on the table to enable further information to be provided to the Board before a decision is made.

Owen/Holmes

Carried

Mayor departed the meeting at 11.34am

Action Schedule

The Board updated the action schedule to take out any actions that the Board are happy have been completed.

- Historical signs (Kelvin to follow up)
- Tree lighting (Liz to follow up re whether there is funding available)
- Letter of congratulations to be sent to the Methven Lions for their success at the recent ANZ Business Awards

The meeting concluded at 11.49am.

Next meeting: Monday 25 July 2022

[Confirmed by the Board on 25 July 2022]

Chairman