

REPORT OF A MEETING OF THE MATAURA COMMUNITY BOARD, HELD IN THE MATAURA COMMUNITY CENTRE, MCQUEEN AVENUE, MATAURA, ON MONDAY 25 JANUARY 2010 AT 5:30 PM.

PRESENT

His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks JP), B Lee (Chairman), M Gillan, N Phillips, L Turnbull and Cr McLennan.

IN ATTENDANCE

The General Manager, District Assets (Mr Paul Withers), Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), Asset Manager, Utilities (Mr Ross Haslemore), HR/Administration Manager (Mrs Susan Jones), Community Development Officer (Miss Colleen TeAu), Corporate Support Officer (Mrs Tracey Millan), Mataura Service Centre Co-ordinator (Miss Pam Courtney) and one member of the public in the gallery.

1. CONFIRMATION OF REPORT

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr McLennan, seconded by N Phillips, THAT the report of the ordinary meeting of the Mataura Community Board, held on Monday 28 September 2009, as circulated, be accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true and complete record.

Proposed Walkway (18.62)

In response to L Turnbull, the Parks and Recreation Manager said he would be meeting with Ian Marshall of Environment Southland to discuss bridging options in the next few weeks.

2. RESIGNATION OF MEMBER (46.36.2)

A memo had been received from the Administration Manager advising Mr Peter Crake, had tendered his resignation from the Board with effect from 1 November 2009.

As there was less than 12 months until the next triennial elections, the vacancy could remain unfilled as a contested by-election would likely cost in the order of \$5-6,000.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of B Lee, seconded by Cr McLennan, THAT the resignation of Peter Crake from the Community Board be received with regret,

AND THAT as there is less than 12 months until the next triennial election, the Board resolve to not fill the vacancy created.

N Phillips paid tribute to P Crake on behalf of the Board and the Mataura community for all his efforts and hard work during his time on the Board.

3. 2010 MEETING SCHEDULE (46.36.2)

A memo had been received from the Administration Manager outlining a proposed schedule of meetings for the remainder of 2010, with a suggestion that the schedule for 2010 revert back to two monthly.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr McLennan, seconded by N Phillips, THAT the Board agree to the following meeting schedule for the remainder of 2010:

- **Monday 15 March**
- **Monday 17 May**
- **Monday 19 July**
- **Monday 27 September**
- **Monday 15 November**

4. MATAURA POOL PATRONAGE (24.2.3)

The Board perused a memo from the Administration Manager detailing the patronage of the Mataura pool following its opening for the season on 14 December 2009.

L Turnbull wanted to see more advertising in the local papers for the aquarobics sessions. The Administration Manager would arrange. B Lee said he would put up a couple of notices along Bridge Street.

The Parks and Recreation Manager advised the Working Party had met twice and a range of issues had been identified and would be worked through.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of L Turnbull, seconded by B Lee, THAT the information be received.

5. UPDATE ON COMMUNITY CENTRE DISPLAYS (37.19.4)

A memo had been received from the Administration Manager advising the Heritage Project Officer had been requested to construct two rimu and safety glass display cases to house the Mataura Borough Mayoral chain and the Community Centre award.

The honours board for the Community Board had been made and was currently having the names inscribed on it. It would be hung in the Community Centre upon completion.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr McLennan, seconded by B Lee, THAT the information be received.

6. UPDATE ON CIVIL DEFENCE (45.1)

The meeting perused a memo from the Administration Manager advising that in late April an investigation and report on the preferred

options around a shared Civil Defence function for Southland had been commenced.

The General Manager, District Assets advised the recruitment of a CDEM Manager and three advisors was currently being progressed. A regional Civil Defence proposal was being worked through and more would come to light once it was completed. From a Civil Defence perspective, the recent retirement of the Civil Defence Officer, Mr Joe Cummings had fitted in well with the restructure proposal.

In response to B Lee, the General Manager confirmed the proposed Civil Defence structure would operate well in the event of a regional or local disaster.

In response to L Turnbull, the General Manager confirmed once the new structure was in place, the people who had volunteered to undergo Civil Defence training would be contacted.

N Phillips wondered if an article in the local newspapers advising potential volunteers of the current situation might be worthwhile.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr McLennan seconded by N Phillips, THAT the information be received.

7. MATAURA TASKFORCE REPORT (50.55)

The Board perused a report received from L Turnbull.

B Lee said the local community garden was being well utilised by the local community. He said a large part of the garden's success was due to the efforts of Mrs Barbara Cunningham.

In response to Cr McLennan, His Worship recalled there had been a request to the Council for funding for the community garden. The Council had wanted to wait and see how the garden project rolled out. It was proving to be a success so the Council could certainly consider a request for assistance.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of L Turnbull, seconded by Cr McLennan, THAT the report be received.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday 15 March at 5.30 pm.

The meeting concluded at 5.50 pm