



# **Unconfirmed MINUTES**

**Fairlie Community Board Meeting**

**18 March 2021**

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE  
ON THURSDAY, 18 MARCH 2021 AT 4.30PM**

**PRESENT:** Les Blacklock (Chairperson), Damon Smith, Angela Habraken, Leaine Rush  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Tim Harty (General Manager Operations), Brian Milne (Community Facilities Officer), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), one member of the public.

**1 OPENING**

The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**2 APOLOGIES**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION FCB/2021/138**

Moved: Member Leaine Rush

Seconded: Mr Damon Smith

That the apologies received from Cr Murray Cox, Mayor Graham Smith, Cr Ann Munro and chief executive Suzette van Aswegen be accepted and leave of absence granted.

**CARRIED**

**3 PUBLIC FORUM**

There was no public forum.

**4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**5 REPORTS**

**5.1 MINUTES OF FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 28 JANUARY 2021**

The community board has asked for someone from the Finance Department to come to a future meeting and explain the financial accounts. Mr Harty said the format of the accounts would change to make them simpler to understand. The board confirmed that the project budget currently contained about \$40,000.

A letter has been sent to truck operators asking them not to use the back streets of Fairlie.

A question was asked about the skate park. Mr Harty explained that this project had gone to plan and the park would be ready to open next week.

Leaine Rush said she would attend the meeting of the community centre user group to see what their priorities were before spending the community centre maintenance budget.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION FCB/2021/139**

Moved: Member Angela Habraken

Seconded: Member Leaine Rush

That the Minutes of the Fairlie Community Board Meeting held on Thursday 28 January 2021 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

## 5.2 COMMUNITY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

The chairman noted that nothing had been done yet about the community centre lounge. About \$18,000 had been left to the community board to upgrade the lounge and re-name it after the donors, Jack and Enid Hutt.

Brian Milne said he was working on the community centre work and was unsure where to start. It was noted that this money had been gifted to do the lounge. Lighting had been upgraded and a heat pump installed in the lounge to date. The next step was updating the kitchen unit in the lounge. Mr Milne said he will track down drawings that had been organised by a former employee.

## 5.3 FAIRLIE COMMUNITY BOARD GENERAL UPDATE REPORT

**Peace Trees** - \$180,000 has been put into the Long Term Plan to get this work done. Mr Harty was also hoping to get co-funding from NZTA. He asked how to manage the replacement of the trees. What would they be replaced with, how to have this conversation. A further report on the trees would be available at the next meeting.

The chairman said he was thinking of replacing like for like. He said he wanted to find costings for seedlings and maybe people in the community might like to purchase a tree. Mr Harty suggested that the project manager be asked to provide a report on how the community could be involved in this project. This might include an interpretational sign about how the trees came about. People needed to know the reason for the trees.

**Domain Trees** - The unsafe trees in the Domain had been cut down and the timber taken away. This area will be replanted.

**Swimming Pool** - The swimming pool season went well this year. Mr Harty referred to the survey report attached to the agenda at page 21.

An upgrade of the changing rooms was discussed. This would be substantial work. The filters and equipment at the pool were also needing repair and upgrade. Mr Harty said a conversation would be held with Council about what they want to do next.

**Fairlie Domain** – Mr Milne has received a price to put steps on a bank that was previously grassed. This was \$6,000 and a budget would need to be found. This has been on-going for a long time and Mr Milne has received a number of service requests for this path.

**Strategy Development** – Four strategies are currently being written – Trails, Parks, Playgrounds and Toilets. Mr Harty read out a list of stakeholders who might be interested in contributing. The members suggested adding Mackenzie College, Sport Twizel, and Mackenzie Enhancement Board to the list.

**River Trail** – Mr Harty said Council holds the resource consent for the trail and also an understanding with LINZ to carry out work on LINZ land. Mr Harty recently spoke to Fairlie Lions and there was a desire to do some work collaboratively. He asked the community board what it would like to do in this area.

Discussion followed and it was suggested that the Lions Club works on building things like handrails and seats, with Council taking responsibility for maintenance of the track. It was easier for the club to get grants to build bridges or seats than grants for track maintenance. The chairman asked Council to work with Lions and offer them the firewood from felled trees. Mr Harty will continue the discussion with Lions.

#### **5.4 CORRESPONDENCE AND GRANTS UPDATE**

The correspondence from Audrey Mitchell was considered. Brian Milne said he had asked an arborist to look at the tree and was awaiting a report that he would put to the next meeting. He believed cutting the tree down would not prevent ice forming on the Mrs Mitchell's porch.

The community board put this matter on hold until the next meeting.

The grants update was provided for information. The governance advisor said she would keep the community board informed of any grant activity.

#### **5.5 GENERAL BUSINESS AND COUNCILLOR UPDATE**

**Bike Stand** - The chairman suggested an area outside the pharmacy be allocated for a bike stand. Board members said they thought this area should have a five minute park. Discussion took place on this and the community board agreed to inspect the area before the next meeting.

**Letter to Francie Edge** – The chairman said he would speak to Francie Edge and work with Brian Milne on progressing the memorial wall at the Fairlie cemetery.

**Security light at skate park** – The chairman said people have requested a security light at the skatepark. Mr Harty said a discussion was held on this at the beginning of the project and it was decided that a light and camera was not needed. A light would attract people to use the park after dark. They were the wrong users at the wrong time.

The chairman raised the issue of three lights on the village green that used to light up trees, but the trees were no longer there. Replanting would happen in this area. Mr Harty outlined the planting plan for the area and the board clarified how much money had gone into the project from the community board, council and for what purpose.

The community board agreed that it was willing to top up the funding if a little more was needed to finish the project.

#### **5.6 COMMUNITY BOARD ACTION LIST**

This was noted.

**The Meeting closed at 5.52pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Fairlie Community Board Meeting held on .**

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**CHAIRPERSON**