



# **MINUTES**

## **Engineering and Services Committee Meeting**

**20 April 2021**

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
ENGINEERING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE  
ON TUESDAY, 20 APRIL 2021 AT 11.19AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Stuart Barwood (Chairperson), Cr Emily Bradbury, Cr Murray Cox, Cr James Leslie, Cr Anne Munro, Cr Matt Murphy, Mayor Graham Smith

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Suzette van Aswegen (Chief Executive), Paul Numan (GM Corporate Services), Tim Harty (GM Operations), Chris Clarke (Communications Advisor), Bernie Haar (Asset Manager), Geoff Horler (Utilities Manager), Angie Taylor (Solid Waste Manager), Brian Milne (Community Services Officer), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor).

**1 OPENING**

The chairman opened the meeting.

**2 APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4 VISITORS**

There were no visitors.

**5 REPORTS**

**5.1 MINUTES OF ENGINEERING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING - 2 MARCH 2021**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/9**

Moved: Cr Matt Murphy

Seconded: Cr Murray Cox

That the Minutes of the Engineering and Services Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 2 March 2021 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

**5.2 ASSET MANAGER'S REPORT**

This report is to update the Assets and Services Committee on the progress of various projects and the normal operation of the department for the past month.

Discussion included the following matters:

- The Fairlie skate park has been well received and is well used.
- The use of local contractors for footpath projects has been well received in Twizel.
- The public toilets at Lake Pukaki smelled bad. This toilet needed replacing and upgrading and was on the list of matters that could be addressed by the Tourism Infrastructure Fund.
- The Pukaki Airport water upgrade work was finished.
- Benchmarking put the Mackenzie District as the highest water user in the country. Discussion took place on high water use in Twizel. Alexandra and Clyde were similar climates and had moved to universal metering to address the same issues. Water metering was on the list of MDC's stimulus projects.
- Lilybank Road continued to create gravel issues and was included in the LTP for seal extension. It was not currently appropriate to put a targeted rate on residents to pay for that road.
- Requests for expressions of interest were going out for the road maintenance contract this week. Mr Harty outlined the tender process.
- Regarding LED streetlights, the shipment of lights has not arrived. Mr Haar said he was originally told the lights had arrived, when they hadn't. They were now due at the end of April. Mr Haar agreed he needed to complete this work by the end of the financial year to receive the higher subsidy rate. Cr Munro would like a communication with the community and the Dark Sky board because she would like to front foot this matter. She suggested the following resolution:

That the Engineering and Services Committee updates the community and Dark Sky board on progress with the LED lights and the programme going forward.

The chief executive suggested that council instead waits until the fittings arrive and then announce they have arrived. Mr Harty will look at the terms and conditions of the contract with Netcon and come back to the councillors with a way forward. He asked for a couple of days to do this. He suggested sending a notice to the contractor demanding a date and time and report back to the next workshop. An amended resolution, as below, was carried.

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/10**

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Cr Murray Cox

That the Engineering and Services Committee requests that staff report back on the LED street light contractual levers, and following this an update be sent out to the community and Dark Sky Board.

**CARRIED**

### **5.3 COMMUNITY FACILITIES REPORT**

The report gave the committee an overview of activities within the community facilities area, with specific focus on township maintenance works.

Mr Harty took the report as read and asked for questions.

Cr Munro noted a safety issue with what appeared to be a contractor wearing jandals. The chief executive explained that the person was not a council contractor but a local who jumped in to help with tree clearing.

Generally pleased with swimming pool management. There would be a formal review to determine how to run this service in the future and a decision made whether it would be outsourced or managed in-house.

Cr Murphy acknowledged the work done on the ground between the playground and Dark Sky building in Tekapo and was pleased to see the improvement.

Alps2Ocean trail work would be included in the trails strategy and more funding was being applied for to get more of the trail off-road.

Discussion moved to the Peace Trees in Fairlie. Some were on private property. Discussion took place on whether the council or land owners should maintain these trees. Mr Haar would investigate whether there was any historical agreement between the council and land owners regarding this. A more detailed discussion on the trees would take place at the next Fairlie Community Board meeting. Chris Rutherford to be invited to this meeting.

#### **5.4 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND WASTE**

The solid waste manager took the report as read. She noted that the increased waste levy would be reflected in fees and charges. There would be a need for public communication when these new charges were introduced.

The Mayor noted that Fairlie had a high proportion of green waste in its bins. Some education might be required on other options for the disposal of green waste.

#### **5.5 3 WATER STIMULUS PROGRAMME PROGRESS REPORT**

Mr Harty updated the committee on the 3 Water Stimulus Programme. A total of 33 projects are planned with seven of those currently in progress. He was looking to bring in more resources to carry out this work.

Cr Munro asked about easements that would be required for the new Twizel sewerage main. There were two of these and they were currently being investigated by the property group. This was the same group that was also working on procuring land for the Fairlie water supply project.

#### **5.6 ADOPTION OF STREET NAMES FOR STATION BAY DEVELOPMENT, TEKAPO**

The purpose of this report was for the Engineering and Services Committee to consider proposed street names for the Station Bay Development in Tekapo.

Mr Haar said since writing the report approval had been received from the Runanga for the street names proposed by the developers.

Cr Leslie believed that LINZ required apostrophes to be dropped from place names, so the apostrophe would need to be dropped from Pete's Place.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/11**

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Cr Emily Bradbury

1. That the report be received.

**CARRIED****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/12**

Moved: Mayor Graham Smith

Seconded: Cr Matt Murphy

2. That the street names Station Bay Rise and Pete's Place, as proposed by the developers for the Station Bay Subdivision, be approved.

**CARRIED****5.7 THREE WATERS AND FOOTPATH PROJECT UPDATE**

Mr Harty said the second tranche of work was approaching and a workshop was to be held with designers working on the new Fairlie Water Treatment Plant. The procurement of the land was progressing, with Cr Barwood assisting staff on this matter.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2021/13**

Moved: Cr Matt Murphy

Seconded: Cr Murray Cox

That the report be received.

**CARRIED**

**The Meeting closed at 12.36pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Engineering and Services Committee Meeting held on .**

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**CHAIRPERSON**