



Mackenzie

DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

**Engineering and Services Committee
Meeting**

15 February 2022

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL
ENGINEERING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON ZOOM
ON TUESDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2022 AT 9.30AM**

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: Angela Oosthuizen (Chief Executive), David Adamson (Acting General Manager Operations), Paul Numan (General Manager Corporate), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), Chris Clarke (Communications Advisor), Joni Johnson (Engineering Manager), Brian Milne (Community Services Officer), Angie Taylor (Solid Waste Manager), Scott McKenzie (Roading Manager), Tim Scott, Robyn Hyde (Alps2Ocean), Geoff Horler (Utilities Manager).

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

Robyn Hyde introduced herself as the new Alps2Ocean manager, employed by Waitaki District Council. She was welcomed by the Mayor.

5 REPORTS

5.1 MINUTES OF ENGINEERING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING - 16 NOVEMBER 2021

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/25

Moved: Mayor Graham Smith

Seconded: Cr Matt Murphy

1. That the Minutes of the Engineering and Services Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 16 November 2021 be received and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

CARRIED

5.2 COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES OPERATIONS REPORT

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

Brian Milne went through the points outlined in his report.

Recent rain caused some damage to part of the Alps2Ocean track. There was discussion on whether to start the track further south, rather than put money into continuous repairs. Mr Milne said there were repair solutions that were not too expensive. He felt it was worthwhile maintaining that part of the track.

The current budget was only enough to do basic maintenance so this needed to be considered.

David Adamson updated the committee on work at the Twizel Events Centre.

A proposed workshop on the Twizel Youth Centre had not yet been held. There needed to be a combined community discussion on this and other community facilities in the townships to determine a way forward.

New public toilet plans were attached to the agenda. Mr Milne provided details around the design and finish of the new toilets at Lake Pukaki. He then noted the remaining items in his report and updated the committee on larger projects in the district.

Cr Leslie asked about the Ruataniwha Reserve. A reserve management plan was being drafted and this would go to the community board for feedback. Stakeholder feedback in Twizel is positive. Consideration would be given to the idea of putting sports fields there and making it a sports hub.

Cr Bradbury asked about cycle stands for Twizel. This is on Mr Milne's to do list.

The committee discussed the location of the proposed dog park at Fairlie. It was noted that the proposed site across the Allandale Bridge had been questioned by staff as more suitable for commercial development. The committee agreed that this land was not suitable for commercial development and they preferred it become a dog park.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/26

Moved: Cr Matt Murphy

Seconded: Cr Emily Bradbury

That the report be received.

CARRIED

5.3 LAKE TEKAPO, WILLOW BAY TRAIL

The purpose of this report was to consider a request from Tekapo Trails Society (TTS) for approval to develop a trail on an unformed legal road from Tekapo Regional Park to Willow Bay.

The Tekapo Community Board has passed a resolution supporting this request.

Approval of the committee is required to confirm agreement of this use and allow Tekapo Trails to apply for consents and other approvals from LINZ and Genesis Energy.

Cr Cox asked if this trail was above the water line. Brian Milne understood from Tekapo Trails that it was well above the area normally controlled by Genesis.

The Mayor asked if volunteers would keep the track clear of rubbish. Mr Milne said up to now Tekapo Trails had been responsible for all of their trail maintenance at Tekapo.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/27

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Mayor Graham Smith

1. That the report on the Willow Bay trail be received.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/28

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Cr Matt Murphy

2. That the Engineering and Services Committee approves the development of a new trail on the unformed legal road from the Tekapo Regional Park to Willow Bay, by Tekapo Trails Society, subject to prior to any physical works commencing
 - (a) They gain all necessary resource consents, and
 - (b) They gain any required approvals from Genesis Energy, Balmoral Station and LINZ, and
 - (c) They submit plans to Council for final approval of location.

CARRIED

5.4 WASTE MINIMISATION AND MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Angie Taylor updated the committee on progress with the establishment of a green bin service. This was going well.

The new solid waste contract was going well. Services included extra collections over Christmas and these were well-received.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/29

Moved: Mayor Graham Smith

Seconded: Cr Matt Murphy

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

5.5 ENGINEERING MANAGER'S REPORT

Joni Johnson outlined the main points of her report.

There was concerns about a water leak in the Allandale scheme and this was being hunted down. Staff were keeping up with service requests. A consultant was working on the new Fairlie water

treatment plant and a construction completion date was about June, 2024. This was due to a wait of a year or more to get the water membrane for the treatment plant.

Questions were asked about fluoridation. With new legislation, the government now has the ability to direct councils to introduce fluoride to drinking water. Joni Johnson outlined the practical costs and impact it would have if this occurred in Mackenzie. Discussion followed on this subject.

Regarding roading, Scott McKenzie said there was a slow start to the roading contract. There were currently three graders working on road grading and this work would pick up in the coming months. He was currently working through the bridge work.

Cr Munro asked about issues with bitumen supply. New Zealand was now totally reliant on import bitumen. Scott McKenzie outlined discussions with suppliers. A tank was being built in South Canterbury to stockpile bitumen, but had not been completed yet.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/30

Moved: Cr Matt Murphy

Seconded: Cr James Leslie

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

5.6 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME 2020-2021

David Adamson presented this report. He outlined progress on capital works as detailed in the agenda.

The chairman asked about resources. Mr Adamson said the contractors had been able to respond to this challenge but there were some issues around some items like road sealing. He believed this programme would be finished on time.

The Mayor said Crown partners were happy with the programme, after initially being concerned that Council wouldn't get the money spent by deadline. Mr Adamson was working with them and was confident the work would be done within the timeframe.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/31

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Cr Emily Bradbury

That the information on the stimulus package of capital works be noted.

CARRIED

5.7 THREE WATERS STIMULUS UPDATE

The purpose of this report was to update the committee on progress on the \$5.1m Three Waters Stimulus Grant provided by the Crown.

Tim Scott spoke regarding the water meter installation project. This was underway, but was currently delayed by a technology issue. Mr Scott said the American manufacturer was testing to ensure the meters would work and communicate with the council as planned.

De-sludging of the wastewater treatment plants was underway. Twizel was completed and Tekapo was underway.

CCTV pipe inspections were on target and would be completed this month.

Regarding the rising main from Mackenzie Park to the Twizel plant - contractors would be on site in March.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ENG/2022/32

Moved: Cr James Leslie

Seconded: Cr Anne Munro

1. That the report on the 3W Stimulus Capital programme be received.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 11.15am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Engineering and Services Committee Meeting held on 10 May 2022.

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CHAIRPERSON