



MINUTES

Pleasant Point Community Board Meeting Tuesday, 26 May 2020

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**Minutes of Timaru District Council
Pleasant Point Community Board Meeting
Held in the Pleasant Point Town Hall
on Tuesday, 26 May 2020 at 7pm**

Present: Cr Richard Lyon (Chairperson), Mr John McDonald (Deputy Chairperson), Cr Paddy O'Reilly, Mrs Raewyn Hessel, Mr Neville Gould, Mr Ross Munro, Mrs Anne Lemmens

In Attendance: Chief Executive (Bede Carran), Governance Advisor (Jo Doyle)

1 Apologies

Resolution 2020/23

Moved: Richard Lyon

Seconded: Ross Munro

That the apology from Mayor Nigel Bowen be accepted.

Carried

2 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

3 Identification of Items of Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

4 Identification of Matters of a Minor Nature

- Pleasant Point Hall charges and lack of usage
- Dog Park

5 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

- Anne Lemmens declared she is an employee of Pleasant Point Promotions, and will not speak to the report.

6 Chairperson's Report

Recommendation

The Chairperson discussed the following items:

- The water in Pleasant Point is now chlorinated, there have been reports of the smell coming from the tap. It was explained that the chlorine smell is due to the chlorine being active and that the biological film is working.

An article will be sourced from Timaru District Council and placed in the Talking Point to explain the reason for the chlorine smell.

- The Beck Road transfer station remains closed however a solar panel is to be installed to run an eftpos machine in order to be able to offer a contactless payment option.

An expected date will be sourced from officers at Timaru District Council and this information will also be shared in the Talking Point. The fees at the transfer station will increase from \$30 to \$40, however once a weighbridge is installed, these fees will be aligned with the district wide charges.

- The Board recently met and selected the 3-2-1 bins that will be installed near the information kiosk. These bins will be enclosed in wooden panelling.
- Additional water requirements for Sports Fields. Discussions continue with the aim to draw extra water from an existing well between the sports fields and golf course to be able to provide enough water for these fields before spring.
- A Board photograph will be arranged for the next Community Board meeting.
- Trees at the entrance to the Saw Mill. It is understood that discussions have taken place about the possibility of planting fruit trees at this site, and the proposal is to be presented to the Lions Board.

The Community Board had agreed to plant natives in this area. If a proposal is presented that differs to this decision, further discussion would need be held. Concern was expressed at having fruit trees so close to the walkway with the risk of bee's and wasps.

- Funding for a bus shelter on George Street, there is money set aside from the lodge David Darling is associated with, and this lodge is winding up their accounts. The Board is unsure of exact planned placement of this shelter and will need to be included in the final decision that should also include the School Bus company.

ACTION POINTS

The Governance Advisor will action the following:

- Arrange an article to be prepared for the Talking Point in regards to the Chlorine smell in water and an update on the Pleasant Point Transfer Station.
- Confirm the requirement to have a contactless payment option at the transfer station.
- Arrange a photographer for the next Community Board Meeting.

Resolution 2020/24

Moved: Richard Lyon
Seconded: Raewyn Hessel

That the Chairperson's report be received and noted.

Carried

7 Confirmation of Minutes**7.1 Minutes of the Pleasant Point Community Board Meeting held on 3 March 2020****Resolution 2020/25**

Moved: John McDonald
Seconded: Neville Gould

That the Minutes of the Pleasant Point Community Board Meeting held on 3 March 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

7.2 Minutes of the Extraordinary Pleasant Point Community Board Meeting held on 19 March 2020**Resolution 2020/26**

Moved: Paddy O'Reilly
Seconded: Anne Lemmens

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Pleasant Point Community Board Meeting held on 19 March 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

8 Reports**8.1 Pleasant Point Promotions - Annual Accounts**

The Chairperson of the Pleasant Point Community Board provided a verbal update on the reviewed annual accounts from Pleasant Point Promotions.

Anne Lemmens did not take part in this discussion as an employee for Pleasant Point Promotions, These accounts have been audited by Jenny Foster.

A meeting was held between the Trustees, Editor and Treasurer and to support the local community, it was decided that the following discounts would be offered for the next two editions:

- Regular contributors would receive 25% discount for 2 editions
- New advertisers will receive 10% discount for 2 editions

The cost of assisting the community with these discounts will cost approximately \$1,000.

Resolution 2020/27

Moved: Neville Gould

Seconded: Ross Munro

That the Community Board support the decision to offer discounted advertising in the Talking Point for the next 2 editions.

Carried

Attachments

- 1 Pleasant Point Promotions Committee - Financial Statements

8.2 Annual Plan Discussion

The Chief Executive updated the Community Board on the Annual Plan. Tabled at the meeting was a draft consultation document 'Taking Us Forward'.

The Chief Executive outlined the background to this year's Annual Plan and Budget, which has also had to factor in the challenge of the Covid-19 pandemic and an associated expected loss of \$1.2m in fees and charges. Council is working on the premise of no change to its level of service, and has therefore identified savings across a number of areas, while maintaining the capital expenditure programme, which has required the use of \$3m of reserves funds at the preferred option of a proposed 2% rate rise.

Council has decided to go out to the community through its public consultation on a proposed rate increase of 2%, a significant capital expenditure programme and a \$2m post Covid-19 stimulus fund.

The Board asked about the Stimulus Fund, and how that will be used to support the community.

The Chief Executive explained that the fund will be used to assist projects who already have momentum, not concepts, and no more than 25% will go towards projects. It is recognised that post Covid-19, community funding could be harder to raise.

Timaru District Council has applied for three "shovel ready" projects from the Government that are worth \$68m.

The Board asked whether the recent consenting requirements will have an affect on income for the Council. The Finance Team are currently modelling the affect this will have on the budget.

Recommendation

That the Community Board receive a verbal update on the Annual Plan.

9 Consideration of Urgent Business Items

There were no items of urgent business.

10 Consideration of Minor Nature Matters

The Board considered the following minor nature matters:

10.1 Pleasant Point Hall Charges and Lack of Usage - A Community Board member had recently attended a public meeting and received feedback from community members that the Pleasant Point Hall has very little use and that the Bond charge is off-putting to potential hirers. It was confirmed that the Bond is \$750 for an event with alcohol involved and \$100 without alcohol. The charges for hiring the hall are very minimal.

The Community Board discussed the charges and felt they are very fair.

10.2 Dog Park - A Community Board member presented the idea of using a fenced area near the Cemetery as a dog park. This area is used by many to walk through with and without dogs, and has Council signs currently marking the area as available to walking dogs on leash.

The Board discussed this option and will defer further discussion to the next meeting and consider options.

This topic would require Community consultation if the Board agreed to move forward.

11 Public Forum Issues Requiring Consideration

There were no public forum items.

The Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Minutes confirmed 18 August 2020.

**Cr Richard Lyon
Chairperson**