

**MINUTES OF THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TRIENNIAL MEETING HELD IN THE TAWERA HALL
ON TUESDAY 7th DECEMBER 2010 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT:

Bill Woods (Chair), William Townshend, Robert Yaxley, Rob Milliken, Sylvia Townshend, Rick Johnson, Andrew Sanderson, Brent Davis, Mary Ireland

APOLOGIES: Fiona and Barry Raynor, Grant Williams, Ainsley Burton

IN ATTENDANCE: Bob White, Clayton Yaxley, Malcolm West, Murray Faulkner

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 5th October 2010 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

Rick Johnson / Robert Yaxley
Carried

Bill Woods introduced the Council representative, Mary Ireland to the Committee and members of the public

MATTERS ARISING

- Council walkabout asked to consider any job where funds were available
- Litter bins questionnaire filled in by Bill Woods
- Speed limit submission sent
- Mark Rykers sent email to Bill Woods stating that Sicon are responsible for checking the playground every week and should have noticed the broken parts – Bob White repaired the boards. We would like evidence of Sicon's checking. **(BT to Action)**
- Methven trip to filtration plant has been delayed till April next year. Therefore need to follow up problems of dirty water. **(BW & WT to Action)**

ELECTIONS

Mary Ireland, Malvern Community Board Representative took the Chair for the nominations of a new Committee. Before the elections took place a decision was made to have 12 members on the Committee. Those nominated:

Nominee	Nominated by	Seconded by
Bill Woods	Rick Johnson	William Townshend
Rick Johnson	Bill Woods	Murray Faulkner
Clayton Yaxley	Bill Woods	Brent Davis
Brent Davis	Rick Johnson	Bill Woods
Andrew Sanderson	Brent Davis	Rob Milliken
Rob Milliken	Bill Woods	Clayton Yaxley
Sylvia Townshend	Rick Johnson	Bill Woods
Malcolm West	Bill Woods	Brent Davis
William Townshend	Bill Woods	Sylvia Townshend
Robert Yaxley	William Townshend	Rick Johnson
Barry Rayner	Sylvia Townshend	William Townshend
Fiona Rayner	Sylvia Townshend	Bill Woods

**Bill Woods was nominated as Chair by William Townshend and seconded by Rick Johnson
Sylvia Townshend was nominated as Secretary by Bill Woods and seconded by Rob Milliken**

Bill Woods then took the Chair to proceed with the meeting

CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards

- Management Committees Triennial Election Rules – Headstone breakages, how long is the Council going to hold the pieces and are they going to notify people or put a notice at the cemetery. Letter required to go to the Council (MI to action)
- Correction of Voting rules
- Management Committee Rules
- Letter from Malcolm West
- Selwyn Plantation Board
- Community Committee Newsletter
- Earthquake Recovery Actions

- Annual Report
- Letter from Mark Rykers re sale of land in Springfield Leave as status quo
- Letter of resignation from Ainsley Burton. A letter of thanks to go to Ainsley **(ST to Action)**

Outwards

- Email to Mark Rykers re Toilets

Moved

That the inwards correspondence be received and outwards approved.

Robert Yaxley/William Townshend
Carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial reports for September and October 2010 previously distributed and discussed at the meeting.

- Water race piping SH73 – for Springfield and for Johnston.....the only one requested is for the Johnston piping (been requested for last 10 years –and filled in wrongly twice)
- Childrens playground has been on the budget for many years.
- Committee needs an Accountant to explain the budget, why mistakes are continuously made and why some projects appear year after year are budgeted for but never take place. **(BW to request)**
- Footbridge – way overdue. Risk of life involved. Assessment of cost – how do we know as we have seen no plans etc therefore impossible to know if allowance is sufficient to complete the project
- Structure plan - \$30,000 – when will this happen? No development can take place until completed
- Secretarial assistance – **(BW to action)**
- Re letter on Financial Reports October 2010, No 2 “That the dollars in the report are sufficient to complete the project”.... How are the Committee supposed to know the dollar amounts? How do the Council come up with the prices? Committee needs to know when all these tasks are to be completed.

Moved

That Bill Woods as Chair with one other Committee member make an appointment with Billy Charlton to explain our concerns

William Townshend/Brent Davis
Carried

(BW to Action before 31 January 2011)

WATER REPORT

William Townshend spoke to his report tabled at the meeting

- Malcolm West has leak on his property – refer letter.
- Dirty water a problem – envisaged gallery channel has too much silt and needs cleaning
- Need for filtration unit. Suggest urgent action on automatic changeover unit already quoted by the Council for chlorine treatment..
- Need to request Hugh Blake-Manson to discuss with the Committee the options of renewing the gallery channel or sinking a deep well. **(BW to Action)**
- Clayton Yaxley offered that a recent tester of our water has been quoted as saying “he would not drink the water” and would suggest to his superiors that we should be boiling the water. Mary Ireland suggested we ask for the new water sampler to take water over a period of time in order to prove how bad our water is. Also request the result of past water testing.
- Bulk water meter readings are now being received for Annat but Springfield and Kowai are combined. Have requested we have three separate readings
- Shared project costs – not happy with

Moved

Springfield Township Committee accept that Council take in-house any charges for new connections (refer report)

William Townshend/Rob Milliken
Carried

TOILETS

- No further developments – emailed Mark Rykers but no reply to date
- Fire Brigade have pulled down the trees and hope to progress in January
- Are plans in place? Have they consent for septic tank? Letter to be sent to Ray Anderson as well as Mark Rykers

SPRINGFIELD DONUT

- Frame completed. Can the base now be put in?
- Bill Woods progressing with project

PLANTING

- Planting on West side not Transit's job, therefore Mike Kwant needs to be contacted about the planting required. Also need space for strollers and pedestrian access to be able to get passed. Council not involving the Township Committee (**BW to Action**)
- Trees that have been planted have taken and are doing well. Grant Williams offered the appliance for watering the new trees. Intend to carry on planting when time is appropriate and funds are available.

NEWSLETTER

Rob Milliken to action after receiving minutes

OTHER

Nil

Meeting Closed 10.20pm

NEXT MEETING

1st February 2011 at 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

Signed: _____ (Chairperson)

Date: _____