REPORT

TO: Motueka Community Board

FROM: Chairperson C Satherley

REFERENCE: E859

DATE: 18 April 2006

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING TIMES

Every year a request has gone out to the board to set a time for winter community board meetings. Traditionally, the winter community board meeting hours were changed out of 'goodwill' from the Board.

I would like to recommend to the Board that we agree to winter hours starting at 4.30pm, with public forum commencing at 4.30pm like last year, with a small break at 6.00pm for the months of June July, and August 2006.

I would like to discuss with the Board the option of going to six weekly meetings in line with current Council timeframes.

MARCHWOOD PARK

I would like bring to the Board's attention my concerns that a consent under the Resource Management Act 1991 is required for the removal of the dead Totara Tree at Marchwood Park.

I would like to recommend that the Board write to the Environment and Planning Manager seeking a variation to the plan to permit the removal of any protected tree(s) that has died or is dangerous (as deemed by a qualified arborist) to be able to be removed as a permitted activity. It is anticipated that any native timber on public land, may be requested by Iwi for carving purposes.

FOLLOW UP

Motueka Sandspit

Beryl Wilkes, Parks and Reserves Manager has had signs erected on the foreshore asking the public to respect the sand-spit i.e. dogs on leads, don't disturb wildlife. There's always a concern that if the public don't respect the sand-spit, there could be

a possible risk that it may be closed to the public. Posters will be tabled at the meeting.

ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION

I would like to discuss with the Board about the possibility of supporting reduced building consent fees for energy saving measures i.e. solar panels.

MOTUEKA COMMUNITY BOARD'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Members are asked to encourage Community Groups to apply for funding from the Motueka Community Board's Discretionary Fund at the June meeting when the final allocations for the financial year are decided. A reminder is that the maximum limit is \$500 per group and is for projects - not maintenance.

MOTUEKA COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBERS UPDATES

Board Member Dowler

Sportspark Motueka

The official opening has now been planned for 13th May 2006 with quite a few activities planned. More to follow as final arrangements are made. Progress on the stand is good with all seats now sitting in place. Inside the stand just a few tidy up jobs to be done and it will be good. Hopefully over the next few weeks the grass will establish itself ready for the opening. The security fence and sign fence will be erected shortly.

Drag Racing

The Nelson Drag Racing Association held another good incident free day on Easter Saturday. The South Island ream was able to retain the Keith Whiting Memorial Trophy for another year. That is the last race day for this season. The Club worked in well, stopped the meeting to allow one plane to take off, and the clean up was finished early and they airport was able to be opened earlier at the end of the day.

Feedback

I was wondering if the two major organisations that received major DIL's grants last year, Motueka Golf Club and Motueka Power Boat Club, have ever written back and advised how their projects proceeded and how successful they were. It would be good to receive feedback on items like this.

C Satherley
Chairperson
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