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Minutes of the first meeting of the Wanaka Community Board following the triennial election held in the Armstrong Room, Lake Wanaka Centre, Ardmore Street on Monday 4 November 2013 commencing at 4.00pm.

Present:

Ms Rachel Brown, Mr Bryan Lloyd, Mr Ross McRobie and Mr Mike O'Connor; Councillors Lyal Cocks, Ella Lawton and Calum MacLeod

In attendance:

Mayor Vanessa van Uden; Ms Meaghan Miller (Director, Chief Executive's Office), Mr Erik Barnes (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets) and Ms Jane Robertson (Governance Advisor); four members of the media and six members of the public

Apologies

There were no apologies

Welcome by the Mayor

The Mayor as initial chair of the meeting prior to the election of a Chairperson welcomed all to the first meeting of the Wanaka Community Board following the triennial general election and extended congratulations to those present for their success in the recent elections.

1 The Making and Attesting of Declarations

The Mayor invited each of the Board members in alphabetical order of surname to make their declaration as a member of the Wanaka Community Board in accordance with clause 14, Schedule 7 of the *Local Government Act 2002*.

Each member completed the oral declaration, signed the document which was then witnessed by the Mayor.

2 Election of Chairperson

The Mayor invited the Board to determine firstly which voting system as stipulated by the Local Government Act 2002 it wished to employ for electing the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.

On the motion of Councillor Cocks and Mr O'Connor the Wanaka Community Board resolved that it adopt system B as detailed in Clause 25, Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 for the election of its Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson for the 2013-16 triennium.

The Mayor called for nominations for Chairperson of the Wanaka Community Board.

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Councillor Lawton moved/Councillor MacLeod seconded:

That Rachel Brown be elected the Chairperson of the Wanaka Community Board for the 2013-16 triennium.

The Mayor sought further nominations but none was made. There being no further nominations, she declared Rachel Brown elected unopposed.

Ms Brown took the chair and asked for nominations for Deputy Chairperson.

Councillor Cocks moved/Mr McRobie seconded:

That Bryan Lloyd be elected the Deputy Chairperson of the Wanaka Community Board for the 2013-16 triennium.

No further nominations were received and Ms Brown declared Mr Lloyd elected unopposed.

3 **First Ordinary Wanaka Community Board meeting; and**
4 **Meeting Schedule for 2014**

Consideration was given to the recommendation that the first ordinary meeting of the Wanaka Community Board take place on Tuesday 19 November in the Lake Wanaka Centre beginning at 9.30am.

There was also discussion about the meeting schedule for 2013/14 in general, in particular the recurrence, day and time of Board meetings.

Councillor Lawton advised that due to another commitment she would be unable to attend if the next Board meeting was held on 19 November. She could join the meeting electronically but understood that the Wanaka Community Board was not covered by the Council's Standing Order which allowed members to vote and participate in meetings via teleconference or videoconference.

Despite the signals that the Council would hold ordinary Council meetings every month, there was general agreement that the Board should retain its present six-weekly meeting cycle. Some preference was expressed for retaining the present meeting day (Tuesday) and time (9.30am), although members expressed a desire to vary the time and location of some Board meetings so that different sectors of the community could attend.

It was noted that the Council would not be adopting a meeting schedule until its December meeting.

On the motion of Councillor Cocks and Mr O'Connor the Wanaka Community Board resolved that the first ordinary meeting of the Wanaka Community Board take place on Tuesday 19 November beginning at 9.30am.

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On the motion of Mr McRobie and Mr Lloyd the Wanaka Community Board resolved that discussion on its 2013/2014 meeting schedule be deferred until the next ordinary Board meeting.

5 Governance Agreement

Consideration was given to the Governance Agreement which had been referred to the Board from the final meeting of the outgoing Board held on 1 October 2013.

Councillor Cocks noted that the following text in the current agreement had been superseded by the new purpose of local government:

- Provide a mechanism for the Council and the Board to:
 - a) Enable democratic decision making and action; and
 - b) Promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural well being of the district.

He suggested that the new text from Section 10 of the Local Government Act should be used instead:

- Provide a mechanism for the Council and the Board to:
 - a) *Enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and*
 - b) *Meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses*

Councillor Lawton expressed concern about making decisions about such a fundamental aspect of the agreement without further consideration. Councillor Cocks was of the view that the change was not significant and was little more than a technicality.

Councillor Cocks suggested that a duty to “support” the Board be added to the responsibilities of the Chief Executive, as this was also in line with statutory requirements. The following amendment was agreed:

- The Council’s Chief Executive Officer will ensure that the Board is provided with complete, timely and robust information, *support* and advice on which the Board can make its decisions.

On the motion of Ms Brown and Councillor Cocks the Wanaka Community Board resolved that the Governance Agreement between the Wanaka Community and the Council as amended be adopted and referred to the full Council for adoption.

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CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD:

CHAIRPERSON

DATE