

RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD IN THE TAUMARUNUI ROOM (COUNCIL CHAMBER),
HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI ON TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2014 AT 10.07AM

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Present

Mayor:	Don Cameron	
Deputy Mayor	Marion Gillard	Ohura Ward
Councillors:	Ron Cooke	Taumarunui Ward
	Graeme Cosford	Taumarunui Ward
	Cynthia Dowsett	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Ben Goddard	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Karen Ngatai	Taumarunui Ward
	Rabbit Nottage	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Pita Pehi	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Elaine Wheeler	National Park Ward
	Rhonda Wood	Taumarunui Ward
Staff:	Peter Till	Chief Executive
	Pauline Welch	Group Manager Customer Services
	Pam Bicknell	Group Manager Corporate Services
	Sarah Doyle	Executive Assistant
	Warren Furner	Land Transport & Economic Development Manager
	Anne-Marie Westcott	Environment Manager (Part)
	Tim Leahy	Information Manager (Part)
	Marc Lorentzen	Senior Accountant (Part)
	Katherine Ivory	Policy Planner (Part)
	Marissa Cairncross	Team Leader Policy Planning (Part)
	Cristel Craig	Team Leader Finance (Part)
	Steve Carson	Waste Minimisation Co-ordinator (Part)

1	Apologies	<i>File A05-0014</i>
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RESOLVED

That the apologies received from Councillor Broderson be received and leave of absence granted.

2	Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders	<i>File A05-0014 Doc 575177</i>
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Council temporarily suspended Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address Council.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders be received.*
- 2 *That, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council temporarily suspends Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address Council.*

Council received addresses as follows:

- Senior Sergeant Grant Alabaster of the Taumarunui Police briefed Members on local policing matters, including:
 - Improving the working relationship between Council and Police.
 - 2013 was a busy year with a number of significant events.
 - Recent road fatalities.
 - Local crime sitting at 10% less than last year, although family violence is high in the Ruapehu District.
 - Staffing.
 - Unemployment links to family violence, alcohol and drug abuse.
 - Ongoing issue with graffiti in the subway.
 - Security cameras have proved invaluable for solving crime.
 - Trial programmes.
 - Social Sector Trials are making a difference with local Youth.
 - Working on compliance issue with illegal taxi service.

RESOLVED

That, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council reinstates Standing Orders in their entirety for consideration of the agenda.

3	Confirmation of Minutes: 13 December 2013	<i>File M80-0001</i>
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RESOLVED

That the Public-Business Minutes of the Council meetings held on 13 December 2013 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

4	Uplift Report – Triennial Agreement	<i>File A53-0026 Doc 574977</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting the Triennial Agreement for the Manawatu-Wanganui Region for consideration and agreement. Council's Chief Executive and Group Manager Customer Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' question.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Uplift Report - Triennial Agreement be received.*
- 2 *That the Report Triennial Agreement be received.*
- 3 *That the Triennial Agreement for the Manawatu-Wanganui Region dated January 2014 be signed by the Mayor.*

Note: The following item was taken after item 8 (immediately following lunch).

5	Deputation: Clarence Susan and Jared Williams, Audit New Zealand	<i>File A02-0015 Doc 575856</i>
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Members received a deputation from Clarence Susan and Jared Williams of Audit New Zealand who were in attendance to speak to the 2013 Management Report. Copies of "What to Expect from the Audit" were tabled and Mr Susan and Mr Williams answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Deputation: Clarence Susan and Jared Williams, Audit New Zealand be received.

6	Financial Report for the Period Ended 31 December 2013	<i>File R40-0001 Doc 576138</i>
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Members considered a Report providing the December 2013 Financial Statement and the December 2013 Cash Flow Statement. Council's Chief Executive and Senior Accountant spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Financial Report for the Period Ended 31 December 2013 be received.*
- 2 *That the December 2013 Cash Flow Statement be received.*

7	Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) – December Quarter 2013	<i>File A05-0149 Doc 576157</i>
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Members considered a Report providing an updated on KPIs for the quarter ended 31 December 2013. Council's Senior Accountant spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) – December Quarter 2013 be received.

8	Adoption of Provisional Alcohol Policy	<i>File P50-0019 Doc 575849</i>
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Members considered a Report recommending endorsement of the Provisional Alcohol Policy. Council's Policy Planner spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Adoption of the Provisional Local Alcohol Policy be received.*

- 2 *That further information be provided regarding on licence hours for clubs, differing opening hours for northern and southern premises, and clarification of the purpose of chartered clubs.*

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.10pm.

Mayor Don Cameron welcomed Don Buchanan and supporters and presented him with the 2013 Northern Ruapehu Citizens Award.

The meeting reconvened at 1.15pm.

9	Submission on Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill (No 3)	<i>File P50-0001 Doc 576112</i>
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Members considered a Report seeking approval of a submission to the Local Government and Environment Select Committee on the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill (No 3). Council's Policy Planner spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Submission on Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill (No 3) be received.*
- 2 *That the draft Submission on Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill (No 3) submission be endorsed.*

10	Delegation of Powers, Duties and Functions: Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee	<i>File A05-0001 Doc 574978</i>
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Members considered a Report advising that the Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee were seeking the same duties, powers and functions as delegated to the Waimarino-Waiouru and National Park Community Boards.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Delegation of Powers, Duties and Functions: Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee be received.*
- 2 *That Council delegates the following Powers, Duties and Functions to the Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee:*
 - i. *The co-ordination of rural reserves and hall committees.*
 - ii. *To allocate the approved budget for the following activities in the area:*
 - (a) *Footpaths programme;*
 - (b) *Parks and Reserves discretionary spend;*
 - (c) *Public information signage.*
 - iii. *To approve:*
 - (a) *Temporary road closures for events (subject to administrative imperatives);*
 - (b) *Street names;*
 - (c) *Parades, collections and special uses of the roads;*

- (d) Changes to speed restrictions on local roads (subject to NZTA rules);
(e) Road closures.

11	Code of Conduct for Elected Members	<i>File L40-0003</i> <i>Doc 573836</i>
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Members considered a Report providing the Code of Conduct for Elected Members for adoption for the 2013-16 Triennium.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Adoption of Code of Conduct be received.*
- 2 *That the Code of Conduct dated February 2014, be adopted.*

12	Local Governance Statement	<i>File L40-0003</i> <i>Doc 573844</i>
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Members considered a Report seeking approval of the Local Governance Statement.

It was noted that the Regional Land Transport appointment required amending, and that appointments by the Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee had not been included.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Adoption of Local Governance Statement be received.*
- 2 *That the Local Governance Statement dated February 2014, amended as agreed, is received and adopted.*

13	Resource Management Act 1991 “Making Good Decisions” Foundation Course	<i>File M35-0020</i> <i>Doc 575818</i>
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Members considered a Report seeking agreement for Councillor Pehi to attend a resource Management Act 1991 “Making Good Decisions” foundation course.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Resource Management Act 1991 “Making Good Decisions” Foundation Course be received.*
- 2 *That Council register Councillor Pehi at Council’s expense to attend the Making Good Decisions course being held on 18 and 19 March 2014.*

14	Inaugural Management Committee Meeting	<i>File: M60-0017</i> <i>Doc 575087</i>
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Members considered a Report on the inaugural Management Committee meeting held on 10 December 2013.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Inaugural Management Committee Meeting be received.

15	Economic Impact of Cycleway	<i>File M35-0074 Doc 574850</i>
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Members considered a Report on the economic impact of the Mountains to Sea trails constructed within the Ruapehu District. Council's Land Transport and Economic Development Manager spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Economic Impact of Cycleway be received.

16	Heritage Status of Okahukura Rail/Road Bridge	<i>File: R75-0513 Doc 573986</i>
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Members considered a Report on the historical value of the Okahukura rail/Road Bridge and the role Council has in regards to its maintenance. Council's Land Transport and Economic Development Manager spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Heritage Status of Okahukura Rail/Road Bridge be received.

17	Outsourcing of Taumarunui Transfer Station Recycle Shop to a Local Not For Profit Group	<i>File R25-0004 Doc 575512</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting for consideration the potential merits of outsourcing the Taumarunui Transfer Station recycle shop to a local Not for Profit Group. Council's Waste Minimisation Co-ordinator spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Outsourcing of Taumarunui Transfer Station Recycle Shop to a Local Not For Profit Group be received.*
- 2 *That the operation of the Taumarunui Transfer Station Recycle Shop be outsourced to a Local Not for Profit Group.*

Councillor Pehi left the meeting at 3.00pm.

18	Weston's Watercourse	<i>File S52-0007 Doc 576386</i>
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Members considered a Report seeking agreement to include a drain in the public drainage network. Councillor Cosford spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Weston's Watercourse be received.*
- 2 *That the portion of the drain shown on the plan attached to Doc No 575078 and measuring approximately 30m, be taken into the Council's maintained drainage network.*

19	Ruapehu Water Services	<i>File W30-0012 Doc 576380</i>
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Members considered a Report providing information on Ruapehu Water Services costs and delivery over the last 19 years. Council's Chief Executive spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

Councillor Pehi re-entered the meeting at 3.18pm.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Ruapehu Water Services be received.

20	Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Council Business	<i>File A05-0014 Doc 575179</i>
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Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 gives Council the right by resolution to exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on one or more of the grounds contained within that Section.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the report on Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Council Business is received.*
- 2 *That the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the meeting.*
- 3 *That the general subject of each matter to be discussed while the public is excluded, the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:*

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C1: Confirmation of Public Excluded Business Minutes: 13 December 2013	The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting.	48(1)(a)

General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C2: 574568: Maori Land – Rates Remission	Where the withholding of information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.	
C3: 576163: Non-Council Positions on the Creative Community Scheme Committee		
C4: 576454: Operation of Taumarunui and Ruapehu i-SITEs	To enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require are listed above.

RESOLUTIONS BROUGHT OUT INTO PUBLIC BUSINESS

The following resolutions were brought out into Public Business:

C2 Maori Land – Rates Remissions	<i>File R20-0011 Doc 574568</i>
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Members considered a Report seeking approval to remit rates on a number of Maori Land properties. Council's Group Manager Corporate Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Maori Land - Rates Remission be received.*
- 2 *That the following properties be added to the Maori Land General Remissions List and rates be written off:*

Valuation No.	Name 1	Name 2	Location	Legal Description	LV	CV	Area	Rates Due	Notes
12700 152 00	TE HOKEROHITU, KEREI	TE PATU, POROKORU	Ngamokai Road, Karioi	RANGIWAEA 4F2A1 ML 2115	\$5,500	\$5,650	0.4047	\$ 44,329.48	Uneconomic, generates no income.
12700 166 00	MCLEOD, RIHI POANUI		Ngamokai Road, Karioi	RANGIWAEA 4F14A2D1A ML 2115 BLK XIV KARIOI SD	\$5,500	\$5,500	0.4046	\$ 100.45	Landlocked, uneconomic, generates no income.
06130 217 00	TURU FAMILY		Hia Kaitupeka Pa Road, Ngakonui	PT OHURA STH A3E2C1C1 BLK XIV TUHUA SD	\$9,000	\$11,000	16.0534	\$ 427.39	Bush-block
06026 003 00	FOX, NEVILLE BARRY ANTHONY	ORANGI, BRETT SEAN	22 Bell Road, Raumarunui	OHURA STH G4D1 LOTS 23 24 DP 5092	\$31,000	\$31,000	0.1836	\$ 1,467.12	Uneconomic, generates no income.
12720 026 00	PROPRIETORS OF PIPIRIKI TNSP NO 1		2474 Pipiriki Raetihi Road, Pipiriki	SEC 2 BLK VII PIPIRIKI TN	\$10,000	\$17,000	0.8094	\$ 42,943.02	Uneconomic, generates no income.
Total					\$61,000	\$70,150	\$18	\$89,267	

- 3 *That rates be written off as scheduled:*

Valuation No.	Name 1	Name 2	Location	Legal Description	LV	CV	Area	Rates Due	Notes
*06100 271 00	BURGESS, MICHAEL TANGAHOE		Ongarue Village Road, Ongarue	RANGITOTO TUHUA 77N BLK I SEC 6	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.0809	\$ 10,837.58	Uneconomic, generates no income.
*06100 271 01	BURGESS, MICHAEL TANGAHOE		Ongarue Village Road, Ongarue	RANGITOTO TUHUA 77N BLK I SEC 14	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.0809	\$ 3,148.39	Uneconomic, generates no income.
*06100 265 00	BURGESS, MICHAEL TANGAHOE		Ongarue Village Road, Ongarue	SEC 4 BLK II ONGARUE TN	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.0809	\$ 2,001.18	Uneconomic, generates no income.
Total					\$7,000	\$7,000	0.2427	\$15,987	

4 *That this resolution is recorded in the Public Business Minutes of this meeting.*

5 *That this Report is released as publicly available information.*

C3	Non-Council Positions on the Creative Community Scheme Committee	<i>File G50-0017 Doc 576163</i>
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Members considered a Report for the selection of representatives to the Creative Communities Scheme Committee.

RESOLVED

1 *That the Creative Community Scheme Committee Report be received.*

2 *That Council choose to appoint all of the six possible nominees to sit on the Creative Committee for a three year period*

3 *That this resolution is recorded in the Public Business Minutes of this meeting.*

4 *That this Report is released as publicly available information.*

C4	Operation of Taumarunui and Ruapehu i-SITES	<i>File C60-1554 Doc 576454</i>
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RESOLVED

1 *That the Report on Operation of Taumarunui and Ruapehu i-SITES be received.*

2 *That Council continues operating the i-SITES as part of Council.*

3 *That Council works with Visit Ruapehu to develop a Charter of Engagement.*

4 *Council works with other tourist organisations to develop a Charter of Engagement and ensure our efforts are aligned.*

5 *That this resolution is recorded in the Public Business Minutes of this meeting.*

6 *That this Report is not released as publicly available information.*

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 4.15pm.

Dated at Taumarunui this 11th day of March 2014

Don Cameron
MAYOR