

RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD IN THE WAIMARINO ROOM (COUNCIL CHAMBER),
AYR STREET, TAUMARUNUI ON FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER 2014 AT 10.00AM

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Present

Mayor:	Don Cameron	
Deputy Mayor	Marion Gillard	Ohura Ward
Councillors:	Bruce Broderson	Taumarunui Ward
	Ron Cooke	Taumarunui Ward
	Graeme Cosford	Taumarunui Ward
	Cynthia Dowsett	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Ben Goddard	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward (until 11.55am)
	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
	Margaret Hawthorne	Group Manager Community Services
	Pauline Welch	Group Manager Customer Services
	Pam Bicknell	Group Manager Corporate Services
	Chris Impson	Executive Officer (Minutes)
	Anne-Marie Westcott	Environmental Manager
	Steve Costelloe	Regulation Manager (part)
	Steve Carson	Waste Minimisation Officer (part)

Mayor Don advised that Mr Dave Scott appeared on the TV1 News programme this morning, being recognised as a Hometown Hero.

1	Apologies	<i>File A05-0014</i>
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No apologies were received.

2	Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders	<i>File A05-0014 Doc 593246</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:

- **Mayor Don Cameron**
 - Advised on attendance at the first National Council meeting of Local Government NZ.
- **Jude Rivlin**
 - Reported on meeting held regarding a skatepark in Raetihi. An enthusiastic group was present and the Youth Council has indicated an interest in it. Fundraising options are now being looked at.
- **Deryck Brown**
 - Spoke on the broom plant pest problem in Waimarino. He has contacted DOC, KiwiRail and Horizons and requested Council's co-operation in appealing to these organisations. He spoke of volunteers helping to clear some areas. The Mayor advised the matter had been brought up at the "Regional Chiefs" meeting.
- **Winston Oliver**
 - Read out a section from Horizons Weed and Pest Policy and reinforced what Mr Brown has said.

3	Confirmation of Minutes – 11 November 2014	<i>File M80-0001</i>
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RESOLVED

That the Public-Business Minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 November 2014 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

4	Confirmation of Minutes – 25 November 2014	<i>File M80-0001</i>
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RESOLVED

That the Public-Business Minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 November 2014 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

5	Summary Financial Report for the Period Ended 31 October 2014	<i>File R40-0001 Doc 593726</i>
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Members considered a Report providing the October 2014 Financial Statements and the November 2014 Cash Flow Statement. Council's Group Manager Corporate Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Financial Report for the Period Ended 31 October 2014 be received.*
- 2 *That the November 2014 Cash Flow Statement be received.*

Note: This item was deferred until after Item 16.

6	Uplift Report – Adoption of the 2013/14 Annual Report	<i>File A05-0150 Doc 593665</i>
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Members considered a Report providing the 2013/14 Annual Report and Summary Annual Report for adoption. Council's Chief Executive and Group Manager Corporate Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions. The Group Manager Corporate Services advised that the Debt Control Benchmark graph had been amended.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Uplift Report – Adoption of the 2013/14 Annual Report be received.*
- 2 *That the Reports on Adoption of 2013/14 Annual Report (Doc Nos 592917 and 591077) be uplifted and received.*
- 3 *That the Annual Report and Summary Annual Report for the Ruapehu District Council Group as amended for the year ended 30 June 2014 be adopted.*

7	Insurances Briefing Paper	<i>File I30-0004 Doc 592269</i>
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Members considered a Report providing an update on the state of Council's insurances. Council's Group Manager Corporate Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Insurances Briefing Paper be received.

2	Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders (continued from previous)	<i>File A05-0014 Doc 593246</i>
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Council again temporarily suspended Standing Orders in their entirety to allow members of the public to address Council (he was accidentally missed from the previous Public Forum).

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:

- **Mike Smith and Nikki Riley – Visit Ruapehu Trust**
 - Mike gave an update on Visit Ruapehu activities and provided some further figures on visitor numbers to the District. He advised that the biennial Visitor Guide is about to be printed. Ruapehu will be a co-host with Rotorua District for the 2015 TRENZ Conference.
- **Scott Graham**
 - Spoke about some safety concerns regarding footpaths around “the Carrot”. The Mayor requested that his concerns should be referred to the Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board.

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.

8	Ohura Water Supply Update	<i>File W30-0007 Doc 593484</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting options for the future of the Ohura Water Supply. Council's Group Manager Customer Services and Environmental Manager spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Ohura Water Supply Update be received.*
- 2 *That Council does not apply for a Drinking Water Assistance Programme application for the Ohura Water Scheme.*
- 3 *That the flow rates of the Railway Dam be recorded over a period of one year and a report be brought back to Council. In the meantime, staff were requested to look at other options for the Ohura water supply.*
- 4 *That Council will vigorously take up the fight for rural community water supplies with central government.*

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 11.55am and returned at 1.30pm.
Cr Ben Goddard was unwell and did not return to the meeting after the lunch break.
Cr Karen Ngatai did not return to the meeting after the lunch break until 1.50pm.

Note: This item was taken after Item 10.

9	Waimarino Youth Ambassador - Funding Update	<i>File R40-0025 Doc 593786</i>
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Members considered a Report providing an update on progress to date with the Waimarino Youth Ambassadors and the associated expenditure of the funding from the Ministry of Youth Development. Council's Group Manager Customer Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Waimarino Youth Ambassador – Funding Update be received.

The Mayor requested that congratulations be extended to Samantha Curtis and Daniel Allen (Council's Youth Ambassadors) for the work they have done on the Youth Council.

Note: The following item was taken after Item 8.

10	Final Approval for New Waiouru Toilet Plans	<i>File P88-0052 Doc 593370</i>
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Members considered a seeking final approval of the Waiouru Toilet plans. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions. Mike Hawthorne, the architect for the project, presented the background and proposed plans for the new toilet block.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Final Approval for New Waiouru Toilet Plans be received.*
- 2 *That Council approve the final plans for the procurement phase of the Waiouru Toilet Project.*

Note: The following item was taken after Item 9.

11	Proposed Community Projects - Ohakune	<i>File P15-0017 Doc 593660</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting two proposals for Community projects in Ohakune. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Proposed Community Projects - Ohakune be received.*
- 2 *That Council gives support for the linking of the two sections of Mangawhero Walkway in Ohakune.*
- 3 *That Council gives support for the Rochfort Park upgrade.*

Cr Ngatai re-entered the meeting at 1.50pm.

12	World War One Commemoration – Places of Remembrance Project	<i>File P84-0054 Doc 593525</i>
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Members considered a Report seeking approval to become involved in the WWI Commemoration – Places of Remembrance Project. Council's Chief Executive spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on World War One Commemoration – Places of Remembrance Project be received.*
- 2 *That Council becomes involved become involved in the World War One Commemoration – Places of Remembrance Project.*
- 3 *That the Community Boards be requested to bring forward ideas for funding throughout the District and that Crs Wood and Cooke work with the Group Manager Community Services to put together funding applications.*

13	Beverage Container Recycling Options for New Zealand	<i>File R25-0027 Doc 593509</i>
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Members considered a Report regarding a research proposal for beverage container recycling options for New Zealand and sought approval to make a \$500 donation towards the cost of the research. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Beverage Container recycling Options for New Zealand be received.*
- 2 *That Council agrees to provide financial support of \$500 to Envision New Zealand towards the cost of conducting the research on beverage container recycling options for New Zealand.*

14	Outcome of Waimarino-Waiouru and Northern Ruapehu Citizens Awards 2014	<i>File P95-0002 Doc 592462</i>
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Members considered a Report advising the outcome of the Waimarino-Waiouru and Northern Ruapehu Citizens Awards for 2014.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Outcome of Waimarino-Waiouru and Northern Ruapehu Citizens Awards 2014 be received.

(It was noted that these Awards were presented to the recipients during the lunch break)

Members considered a Report providing a suggested meeting schedule for 2015.

RESOLVED

- 1 That the Report on 2015 Meeting Schedule be received.
- 2 That the Council meeting dates and Workshops for 2015 be set as follows:

First Meeting (Finance and Policy) Taumarunui	Last Meeting (Operations) Ohakune	Workshops
No meeting in January	No meeting in January	3 February - LTP
10 February	24 February	17 February - LTP
10 March	24 March	
14 April	28 April	
12 May	26 May	5 May - LTP
9 June	30 June	
14 July	No Operations meeting in July	
11 August	25 August	
8 September	29 September	
13 October	27 October	
10 November	24 November	
11 December (Note: Friday) - Ohakune		

- 3 That Wednesday, Thursday 29 and 30 April and Friday 1 May 2015 be set aside to hear submissions on the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan.
- 4 That Management Committee meeting dates for 2015 be set as follows:

9 February	2 March
13 April	4 May
8 June	6 July
3 August	7 September
5 October	2 November
7 December	

Members considered a Report advising that Council offices and libraries will be closed between Christmas and New Year.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Council Offices Closedown – Christmas/New Year 2014/15 be received.

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
<i>C1: Confirmation of Public Excluded Business Minutes – 11 November 2014</i>	<i>The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting.</i>	48(1)(a)
<i>C2: Confirmation of Public Excluded Business Minutes – 25 November 2014</i>		
<i>C3: 592499 Raetihi Diesel Contamination Claims</i>	<i>To enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</i>	
<i>C4: 593371 Possible Purchase of Ohakune Bowling Club Property</i>		
<i>C5: 593046 Extension of EnviroWaste Solid Waste Contract</i>		

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:

C5	Extension of EnviroWaste Solid Waste Contract	<i>File C60-1552 Doc 593046</i>
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Members considered a Report advising that the EnviroWaste solid waste contract has been extended for a further two years from 1 March 2015. Council's Chief Executive spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Extension of Enviro Waste Solid Waste Contract be received.*
- 2 *That this resolution is recorded in the Public Business Minutes of this meeting.*
- 3 *That this Report is not released as publicly available information.*

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 3.00pm in Public-Excluded Business.

Dated at Taumarunui this 10th day of February 2015

Don Cameron JP
MAYOR