

RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD IN THE WAIMARINO ROOM (COUNCIL CHAMBER),
AYR STREET, OHAKUNE ON TUESDAY 25 MARCH 2014 AT 10.05AM

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
	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
	Margaret Hawthorne	Group Manager Community Services
	Pam Bicknell	Group Manager Corporate Services
	Sarah Doyle	Executive Assistant
	Anne-Marie Westcott	Environment Manager
	Warren Furner	Land Transport & Economic Development Manager

1 Apologies

File A05-0014

RESOLVED

That the apology for lateness received from Councillor Elaine Wheeler be received.

2 Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders

File A05-0014
Doc 578257

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.*

Part One:

Council received addresses as follows:

- Dan and Annie Rolls and Michael Harallambi were in attendance to speak in support of the proposed Ohakune skatepark project. They gave a powerpoint presentation and answered Members' questions. The group were seeking funding to enable the skatebowl (stage one) of the project to commence.

Councillor Wheeler entered the meeting at 10.20am.

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.

Note: Item 8 was taken after this item. Standing Orders were then temporarily suspended again to allow Members and the public to further address Council.

RESOLVED

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.

Part 2:

Council received addresses as follows:

- Missy Te Kanawa advised that a group of 47 adults and 37 students from schools in Waiouru, Taumarunui, Wanganui and Waimarino will be travelling to Auckland to look at digital technology and establish how we, as a rural community, do not get left behind in the digital world. The group would also be looking for funding opportunities.
- Councillor Wood thanks Members for the flowers, cards and kind words following the recent death of her brother.
- Councillor Dowsett advised that the Ministry of Social Development were impressed with the improvement to the provision of the budget service.
- Councillor Pehi advised that he had found his recent Resource Management Commissioner training very interesting and relevant.
- Councillor Gillard
 - Sought a Leave of Absence from 5 to 26 April 2014.
 - Advised that the recent Horizons' One Plan meeting held in Taumarunui was well attended and there is now a better understanding of the One Plan.
- Mayor Cameron
 - Zone 3 meeting held in Wairoa on 6 and 7 March 2014 was all about roading.
 - LGNZ Rural Provincial Sector meeting 13 and 14 March 2014
 - Audit and Risk Management Committee needs to be more active and have an independent person involved.
 - Talks of amalgamation have moved to working collaboratively to double exports by 2025.
 - LGNZ Equip launched – "Centre of Excellence".

- Met with Minister of Transport 13 March 2014 to raise concerns about NZTA FAR review.
- Regionals Territorial Authorities Forum attended by Mayor and Councillor Wheeler. Councillor Wheeler advised that the Forum was good networking.
 - Wellington Port
 - Water will become huge cost to rural councils
 - Meeting with Wanganui, Rangitikei and Ruapehu District Mayors and Chief Executives in April to discuss how to meet Government's export targets.
- Attended Ngati Rangi's Strategic Plan launch on 24 March 2014.
- Councillor Broderson attended the Clubs New Zealand conference in Rotorua the previous week. There are major concerns about the effect the Sale of Alcohol Act 2012 is having on the Club industry. The King Country Clubs will get together to ensure the smaller Clubs survive.
- Councillor Nottage
 - Attended the recent Joint Whanganui District Council Forestry Committee meeting.
 - Thanked the Mayor for hosting the BBQ on Sunday 7 March 2014.
 - Concern expressed at memorial erected on Mangawhero River Walkway without prior approval from Council.
- Councillor Goddard
 - Advised that he, Councillors Dowsett, and Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board Member Allan Whale had attended the official opening of the Whanganui River Road, followed by a tour of the Ruatiti area with Council's Land Transport and Economic Development Manager. The Mayor and Chief Executive also attended the official opening.
 - An open day will be held on 12 April 2014 to mark the one year anniversary of the opening of the Waimarino Ambulance Station.

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.

Note: The following item was taken after item 4.

3	Confirmation of Minutes: 25 February 2014	<i>File M80-0001</i>
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Amendment: Dated at Ohakune this 25th day of March 2014.

RESOLVED

That the Public-Business Minutes of the Council meetings held on 25 February 2014, amended as agreed, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Note: The following item was taken after item 2 (part 2).

4	Deputation: Robin Scott, Project Manager, KiwiRail	<i>File R76-0004 Doc 578616</i>
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Members received a deputation from Robin Scott, project manager for KiwiRail who gave a presentation on KiwiRail's project to replace seven rail bridges on the Main Trunk Line north of Taumarunui.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Deputation: Robin Scott, Project Manager, KiwiRail be received

5	Mayor's Report: February 2014	<i>File M35-0003 Doc 578248</i>
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Members considered a Report advising of appointments undertaken by the Mayor during the month of February 2014. The Mayor spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Mayor's Report: February 2014 be received.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.00pm and reconvened at 1.51pm.

6	Chief Executive's Report: February 2014	<i>File A05-0085 Doc 578181</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting an update of activities for discussion. Council's Chief Executive and relevant staff members spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Chief Executive's Report: February 2014 be received.

7	Taumarunui Memorial Hall – Switchboard Upgrade	<i>File P88-0009 Doc 577313</i>
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Members considered a Report seeking approval to transfer the \$10,000 capital expenditure currently allocated to the Taumarunui Memorial Hall car park and stormwater to the replacement of the switchboard situated at the side of the stage. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Taumarunui Memorial Hall – Switchboard Upgrade be received.*
- 2 *That Council approve the transfer of the capital budget for Taumarunui Memorial Hall – Carpark and Stormwater to the installation of a new switchboard for the Memorial Hall.*

8 WW1 Centennial CelebrationsFile P84-0054
Doc 577920

Members considered a Report seeking feedback on the level of involvement Council should have with World War 1 Centennial celebrations. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on WW1 Centennial Celebrations be received.*
- 2 *That Councillor Broderson be appointed to the proposed working party for World War 1 Centennial Celebrations.*
- 3 *That Councillor Broderson liaise with John Compton regarding Ruapehu District World War 1 Centennial Celebrations.*

Note: The following item was taken after item 2 (part 1):

9 Proposed New Skatebowl Facility, OhakuneFile P15-0017
Doc 578196

Members considered a Report seeking approval for a new skatebowl facility in Ohakune and allocation of Ohakune Borough Reserves Funds towards the cost of the new facility.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Proposed New Skatebowl Facility, Ohakune be received.*
- 2 *That Council approve the new skatebowl project, the skatebowl to be located alongside the old Ohakune tennis courts.*
- 3 *That Council approve that \$11,000 be allocated from the Ohakune Borough Reserves Fund to the new Ohakune skatebowl project.*

10 Ohakune Bowling Club ClosureFile P15-0017
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Doc 578487

Members considered a Report advising of the closure of the Ohakune Bowling Club and the disposal of the Club's property. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Ohakune Bowling Club Closure be received.*
- 2 *That the Chief Executive be authorised to enter in to negotiations with the Ohakune Bowling Club with the view to securing ownership of the Ohakune Bowling Club property.*

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: 25 February 2014</i>	<i>The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are contained in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting.</i>	<i>48(1)(a)</i>
<i>C2: 578642: Confidential Highlights from Mayor and Chief Executive Reports</i>	<i>To protect the privacy of a natural person and to enable the local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).</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.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 4.00pm.

Dated at Ohakune this 29th day of April 2014

Don Cameron JP
MAYOR