

RUAPEHU DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD IN THE WAIMARINO ROOM (COUNCIL CHAMBER),
AYR STREET, OHAKUNE ON TUESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 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
	Ben Goddard	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Karen Ngatai	Taumarunui Ward
	Rabbit Nottage	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Pita Pehi	Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Elaine Wheeler	National Park Ward
Staff:	Margaret Hawthorne	Acting Chief Executive
	Pam Bicknell	Group Manager Corporate Services
	Sarah Doyle	Executive Assistant
	Warren Furner	Land Transport & Economic Development Manager (Part)
	Anne-Marie Westcott	Environment Manager (Part)

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

That the apologies received from Councillors Dowsett and Wood be accepted and Leave of Absence granted.

2	Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders	<i>File A05-0014 Doc 588923</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:

- Deryck Brown spoke to a letter he had sent to Councillors earlier in September regarding his concern at increasing rates and the decreasing number of ratepayers in the District and would like to know what ideas Council has to address this matter. Mr Brown's suggestions included rating of contiguous land that shows a return, rating of sports clubs, rating of Maori land, sharing of oil and mineral taxes, and introducing provincial tax schemes similar to British Columbia and Canada. Mayor Cameron thanked Mr Brown for taking the time to prepare his letter and to come and speak to Council. He advised that it was a national issue, not just a local issue and that Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) had established a Rates Working Party that will be looking into matters such as those raised by Mr Brown.
- Councillor Cosford
 - Attended a Health Governance Group meeting and a meeting of its Transport Subcommittee which will be undertaking a survey to establish what transport needs there were in the community.
 - Joined Horizons staff with planting at the Manunui Campground yesterday.
 - Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee have requested a report to Council on the recent Liquor Licensing Public Meetings held in Taumarunui and Ohakune.
- Councillor Wheeler advised that the National Park Roy Turner Playground is receiving tremendous support via raffles and that funding applications have been made. Council's Acting Chief Executive advised that she was the treasurer for the committee and had recently banked over \$1,100 raised via raffles and the sausage sizzle.
- Councillor Goddard advised that fundraising was ongoing for a replacement health shuttle.
- Councillor Nottage
 - Recently attended the World of Wearable Art Awards in Wellington.
 - Was concerned at the dumping of stock truck effluent at a rest area north of Horopito.
- Councillor Broderson advised that positive things had come out of the recent Liquor Licensing meetings. He has been asked to co-ordinate a meeting of King Country Chartered Club network Presidents and Managers to discuss issues relating to the new legislation.
- Acting Chief Executive
 - Attended Regional Chiefs meeting in Wanganui with Mayor Cameron. There is a shift towards regional strength rather than working in silos, with exciting times ahead as a region.
 - Attended Community Engagement Workshop in Wellington with Mayor Cameron. A lot of Ministry representatives were in attendance to listen to Local Government concerns.
- Mayor Cameron advised that Malcolm Alexander, the new Chief Executive of LGNZ, has made a huge difference and that there was now a general feeling that we all need to work together.
- Councillor Gillard
 - Ohura Water Supply consultation ongoing.
 - Attended an LGNZ Understanding Te Ao Maori two day course in Palmerston North and found it very interesting.
- Councillor Pehi
 - Attended a Whanganui Joint Forestry Committee meeting. Wanganui District Council may look to sell the asset to fund projects such as a new wastewater treatment plant.
 - Advised that at a recent RDMC meeting it was resolved to support the establishment of Maori Wards. The RDMC Rates Working Party is active and the Resource Consent Working Party has yet to meet over any specific resource consent application.

- Councillor Cooke asked if anything could be done about the unsightly appearance of the old Waikune Prison. Mayor Cameron advised that the property is included in the Treaty Settlement process.

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 – 26 August 2014	<i>File M80-0001</i>
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RESOLVED

That the Public-Business Minutes of the Council meeting held on 26 August 2014 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Note: The following item was taken after item 6 (immediately after lunch):

4	Deputation: Atlas Gentech – Broadband Proposal	<i>File A05-0014 Doc 588952</i>
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Members received a deputation from Atlas Gentech's National Brand Manager, Chris Fair, and colleagues from Atlas Gentech, Huawei and Vodafone, who gave a presentation on technology improvements relating to their Smart City Initiative aimed at driving connectivity within communities,.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Deputation: Atlas Gentech – Broadband Proposal be received.

Note: The following item was taken after item 3:

5	Mayor's Report: August 2014	<i>File M35-0003 Doc 588665</i>
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Members considered a Report advising of appointments undertaken by the Mayor during the month of August 2014. The Mayor spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

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

6	Chief Executive's Report: August 2014	<i>File A05-0085 Doc 588664</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting an update of activities for discussion. Council's Acting Chief Executive and relevant staff members spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Chief Executive's Report: August 2014 lie on the table.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.05pm.

Mayor Cameron welcomed Ngati Rangī Trust Chair, Chief Executive and Trustees who joined who joined the Mayor and Councillors for lunch.

The meeting reconvened at 1.03pm.

Note: The following item was taken after item 4:

6	Chief Executive's Report: August 2014	<i>File A05-0085 Doc 588664</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting an update of activities for discussion. Council's Acting Chief Executive and relevant staff members spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

Councillor Nottage left the meeting at 2.47pm.

RESOLVED

That the Report on Chief Executive's Report: August 2014 be uplifted and received.

7	Documents Signed and Sealed	<i>File A65-0003 Doc 588932</i>
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Members considered a Report presenting for endorsement copies of documents signed under seal by the Mayor and Chief Executive.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Document Signed and Sealed be received.*
- 2 *That the action by the Mayor and Chief Executive, in executing the following documents, be approved:*

Creation of Esplanade Strip	<i>Grantor: Grantee: Location:</i>	<i>SL Trustee Limited Ruapehu District Council Mangateitei Stream</i>
Consent to Transfer Caveat (change of ownership)	<i>Previous Owner New Owner: Description:</i>	<i>Jean Elizabeth Irene Chaplin, Raymond Donald Charles Chaplin and Bruce Ian Stanley Chaplin Jean Elizabeth Irene Chaplin Owhango Transfer Station and Closed Landfill</i>

8	New Zealand Transport Agency Endorsement of the Ruapehu District Council Procurement Strategy	<i>File C60-1536 Doc 584507</i>
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Members considered a Report providing New Zealand Transport Agency's endorsement of Council's Procurement Strategy.

RESOLVED

That the Report on New Zealand Transport Agency Endorsement of the Ruapehu District Council Procurement Strategy be received.

9	Long Term Plan Workshop Summary for July/August/September 2014	<i>File A05-0153 Doc 588225</i>
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Members considered a Report providing a summary of the main points discussed at workshops held on 29 July, 5 August, 19 August and 2 September 2014 on the Long Term Plan 2015-25.

RESOLVED

- 1 *That the Report on Long Term Plan Workshop Summary for July/August/September 2014 be received.*
- 2 *That the Report 588225 is a fair summary of the workshop outcomes*

10	Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Council Business	<i>File A05-0014 Doc 589578</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
<i>C1: Confirmation of Public Excluded Business Minutes – 26 August 2014</i>	<i>The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting.</i>	<i>48(1)(a)</i>

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>C2: 589447 Confidential Highlights from Mayor and Chief Executive Reports</i>	<i>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 3.25pm.

Dated at Taumarunui this 28th day of October 2014

Don Cameron JP
MAYOR