

RUAPEHU DISTRICT MĀORI COUNCIL
(TE KAUNIHERA MĀORI A ROHE O RUAPEHU)

MINUTES

**MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI
ON FRIDAY 3 AUGUST 2012 AT 10:30AM**

PUBLIC BUSINESS

PRESENT

Mayor: Sue Morris

Councillors: Don Cameron
Marion Gillard

Iwi Representatives:

Tame Tuwhangai	Maniapoto (Ngāti Hari)
Arthur Edmonds	Tamahaki Council of Hapu
Edwin Ashford	Tuwharetoa (Tutetawha)
Katherine Webb	Tuwharetoa (Tutetawha)
Donna Tuwhangai	Maniapoto (Te Ihingārangi)
Raukura Tangihaere	Maniapoto (Te Koura Putaroa)

Staff:

Peter Till	Chief Executive
Warren Furner	Team Leader Land Transport
Rebecca Van Orden	Team Leader Community Services
Anne-Marie Westcott	Team Leader Environment (Part)
Mohammed Ishrar	Senior Environmental Health Officer (Part)
Denny Moynihan	Contract Supervisor (Part)
Annie Petersen	Operations Supervisor-Waste Minimisation (Part)
Nick Watson	Emergency Management Officer (Part)
Jo Tocker	Policy Planner
Lee-Anne Jolley	Executive Support Officer (Part)
Heni Butler	Customer Services Officer

1 KARAKIA

The Chairperson, Edwin Ashford welcomed everyone to the meeting and opened the meeting with a karakia.

2 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

Councillor Marion Gillard / Tame Tuwhangai

That the apologies from the following be received.
Wayne Hudson – Te Runanganui o Ngātai Hikairo ki Tongariro Hapu
Donna Tuwhangai for lateness
Mayor Sue Morris for lateness

3 PUBLIC FORUM

- Nick Watson, Council's Emergency Management Officer introduced himself to Members. Mr Watson asked Members how he can assist them further with any Civil Defence matters and if Iwi can supply any contacts that would be necessary in an emergency situation. Mr Watson advised that he will call upon Māori Council to assist with the liaison with Iwi.
- Chairperson Ashford explained the Iwi structure to Mr Watson
- Councillor Gillard informed Members that Mr Watson has been very pro-active with recent flooding in Ohura and surrounding area and the community are very happy with the work that took place during this time.
- Rebecca Van Orden, Council's Team Leader Community Services and Denny Moynihan, Council's Contract Supervisor raised issues of shading from a cluster of native trees in O'Reilly Crescent, Taumarunui. These trees are protected under the Ruapehu Council's District Plan and for Council to address the shading issues this work will require a resource consent. A discussion followed about the use of the native trees and Arthur Edmonds suggested that Hinengakau Development Carving School be asked if they would be interested in the timber for carving. The carving school is no longer operating. Mayor Sue Morris informed Members that the Taumarunui Northern Entrance project is looking for a piece of timber suitable for carving and there may be an opportunity to use one of the trees.

Mayor Sue Morris entered the meeting at 10.40am
Donna Tuwhangai entered the meeting at 10.45am.

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES: 2 MARCH 2012

Item 6 – Refurbishment of King Tawhiao and Update on the Taumarunui Northern Entrance Project

Mayor Sue will make contact with Ngati Hekeawai, Mana Ariki and Rotary representatives to arrange a meeting to discuss the refurbishment of King Tawhiao.

Item 9 – Submissions received from review of the Dog Control Policy

Peter Till, Council's Chief Executive informed Members that the alternative site upstream from Victory Bridge for a dog exercise area requires extensive work and an update on this matter will be given to Members in October / November 2012.

RESOLVED

Tame Tuwhangai / Arthur Edmonds

That the Public-Business Minutes of the Ruapehu District Māori Council meeting of 2 March 2012 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

5 541865 – PARA KORE PROJECT – MARAE WORKING TOWARDS ZERO WASTE

Members received a deputation from Pene Campbell, Para Kore Project Team who introduced and presented the Para Kore Project aimed at supporting Marae by reducing, re-using and recycling waste. Mr Campbell answered Members' questions. Chairperson Ashford encouraged Members to discuss this incentive with their

respective Iwi / Hapu groups and reiterated the importance of maintaining good health and wellbeing on Marae.

RESOLVED

Councillor Marion Gillard / Tame Tuwhangai

That the Report on the Para Kore Project - Marae Working Towards Zero Waste be received.

6 **546553 – DEPUTATION TONI WAHO**

Toni Waho was unable to attend this meeting, therefore his deputation will lie on the table until the next meeting on 7 September 2012.

7 **541101 – UPDATES ON ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND LIQUOR RELATED MATTERS**

Members considered a Report updating Environmental Health and Liquor related matters. Mohammed Ishrar, Team Leader Environmental Health and Liquor tabled reports with updates on the Liquor Ban Areas, the Liquor Bill, the Food Bill and the Crowd Controllers Act and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

Mayor Sue Morris / Councillor Don Cameron

That the Report on Updates on Environmental Health and Liquor Related Matters be received.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.10pm and reconvened at 12.50pm.

Donna Tuwhangai left the meeting at 12.50pm.

8 **546423 – UPDATE ON THE WHANGANUI RIVER TREATY SETTLEMENT CLAIM**

Members considered a Report updating the Whanganui River Treaty Settlement Claim. Peter Till, Council's Chief Executive spoke to the Report and answered Members questions. Mayor Sue Morris tabled the Record of Understanding document and briefed Members on the Whanganui River Settlement meeting she attended on 2 August 2012 in Wanganui.

RESOLVED

Mayor Sue Morris / Tame Tuwhangai

That the Report on Update on the Whanganui River Treaty Settlement Claim be received.

9 **546413 – DISCUSSION DOCUMENT ON THE WHANGANUI RIVER VALLEY**

Members considered a Report highlighting the discussion document on the Whanganui River Valley commissioned by Tourism Resource Consultants. Warren Furner, Council's Team Leader Land Transport spoke to the Report and answered Members questions. Mr Furner explained that Council has an opportunity to be involved in the Wanganui District Plan review and consider opportunities to align planning rules with any future revision of the Ruapehu District Plan.

RESOLVED

Katherine Webb / Arthur Edmonds

That the Report on Whanganui River Valley Discussion Document be received.

10 540717 – OUTCOMES ON THE FUTURE RUAPEHU LONG TERM PLAN 2012-22

Members considered a Report on the outcomes of the Future Ruapehu Long Term Plan 2012-22 (LTP). Peter Till, Council's Chief Executive spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions. He further explained that the move towards changing the rating system was aimed at simplifying the rating system and to improve fairness and equity under the Capital Value system as opposed to the Land Value system. All ratepayers should have received their new rates by now and members are urged to communicate with their Hapu and Marae.

RESOLVED

Councillor Marion Gillard / Tame Tuwhangai

That the Report on Outcomes on the Future Ruapehu Long Term Plan 2012-22 be received.

11 546405 – INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Members considered a Report presenting inwards correspondence received by the Independent Māori Statutory Board, Horizons Regional Council and Raukura Tangihaere.

RESOLVED

Katherine Webb / Tame Tuwhangai

That the Report on Inwards Correspondence be received.

12 540714 – PROGRESS REPORT

Resource Consent Working Party – Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

A draft version will be presented to Members at the Ruapehu District Māori Council (RDMC) meeting in October 2012.

Māori Whakairo – (Council's Public Foyer)

Arthur Edmonds will continue to seek an outcome in respect of a Māori Whakairo for Council's public foyer. Arthur Edmonds requested a site visit to O'Reilly Crescent to view the native trees discussed in the public forum of this meeting.

Discreet Remedies Process

Council is supportive of this process but are waiting for Iwi / Hapu groups to be established. Tame Tuwhangai will follow up on progress with Iwi / Hapu groups. Raukura Tangihaere volunteered to assist Mr Tuwhangai.

RESOLVED

Arthur Edmonds / Councillor Don Cameron

That the Report on Progress Report be received.

13 540715 – ISSUES FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Arthur Edmonds raised concerns regarding access and the closing of paper roads. Warren Furner, Council's Team Leader Land Transport advised Members that closing a paper road is a difficult and complicated process, which requires a resolution of Council and public notification. Councillor Cameron stated that paper roads can create access issues on land locked blocks specifically to rivers and urupa.

Rebecca Van Orden, Council's Team Leader Community Services updated Members and tabled the new proposed sign for the refurbishment of King Tawhiao as part of the Taumarunui Northern Entrance Project.

RESOLVED

Katherine Webb / Raukura Tangihaere

- 1 *That the Report on Issues from Representatives be received.*

- 2 *That the Ruapehu District Māori Council approves in principle the proposed framed in-lay and timber option for the refurbishment of the King Tawhiao sign subject to approval by Ngati Hekeawai and Mana Ariki.*

The next RDMC meeting will be held on **Friday 7 September 2012 at 10:30am.**

There being no further business the Chairperson, Edwin Ashford concluded the meeting with a karakia at 2.10pm.

Dated at Taumarunui this 7th day of September 2012.

Edwin Ashford
CHAIRPERSON