

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

MINUTES

**MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI
ON FRIDAY 28 MARCH 2014 AT 10.30AM**

PUBLIC BUSINESS

PRESENT

Councillors:	Don Cameron Marion Gillard Pita Pehi	Mayor Ohura Ward Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
Iwi Representatives:		
Chairperson	Edwin Ashford Wayne Hudson	Tuwharetoa (Tutetawha) Tuwharetoa (Ngāti Hikairoa Hapu)
	Toni Martin Evelyn Kereopa	Maniapoto (Tuhua Hikurangi RMC) Maniapoto (Te Ihingarangi Hapu)
	Arthur Edmonds Tira Pehi	Tamahaki Council of Hapu Ngāti Hinewai & Uenuku Tribal Authority
Administrator:	Rayden Horton	Te Kaunihera Māori a Rohe o Ruapehu
Council Staff:	Peter Till Pauline Welch Margaret Hawthorne Warren Furner Anne-Marie Westcott Erik Lei Pam Bicknell	Chief Executive Group Manager Customer Services Group Manager Community Services Team Leader Land Transport (Part) Environmental Manager (Part) Management Accountant – Projects (Part) Group Manager Corporate Services (Part)
Observers:	George Moke Ngawai Tane Gregory Keenan Jackie Te Moananui Robert Jonathan Robin Scott Sam Bishara	General Public General Public Mana Ariki Tuhua Hikurangi Regional Management Committee Tuhua Hikurangi Regional Management Committee KiwiRail Te Puni Kokiri

1 **KARAKIA**

M80-0057

Chairperson Ashford opened the meeting which was followed by a karakia by Councillor Pehi.

2 **APOLOGIES**

M80-0057

RESOLVED

Members Kereopa / Pehi

That the apologies from Members Georgina Cribb and Raukura Tangihaere be received and Leave of Absence granted and, the apology for lateness from Mayor Don Cameron be received.

3 **KORERO NGA MANUHIRI (VISITING SPEAKERS)**

Members received addresses as follows:

- Robin Scott from KiwiRail gave a PowerPoint presentation on the North Island Main Trunk Line Bridge Replacement Project. The project objective is to construct seven bridges on the North Island Main Trunk Line between Taumarunui and Ongarue. KiwiRail would like to involve local schools with the planting of native trees around the bridge areas. A further update will be given to Members in 12 months.
- Sam Bishara from Te Puni Kokiri (TPK) advised that TPK has no current provisions to provide Members with funding, but there may be an opportunity to support Members in a capacity outside of this forum.
- George Moke expressed his concerns over the way the consultation process has been conducted for the relocation of the new Fire Station. Mr Moke currently occupies the dwelling opposite the new site and opposes to the relocation of the Fire Station to this site.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:20pm and reconvened at 12:55pm

4 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - 21 FEBRUARY 2014**

M35-0072

RESOLVED

Councillor Pehi / Member Edmonds

That the Public-Business Minutes of Te Kaunihera Māori a Rohe o Ruapehu meeting held on 21 February 2014, are confirmed as a true and correct record.

5 **578659 - OHURA WATER SUPPLY**

M35-0072

Members considered a Report on the current situation of the Ohura Water Supply which also asked for assistance to locate the local Iwi that Council would need to consult with. Pauline Welch, Council's Group Manager Customer Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

Members Kereopa / Councillor Gillard

That the Report on the Ohura Water Supply be received.

6 578454 – OVERVIEW RMA PROCESS AND IWI INVOLVEMENT

M35-0072

Members considered a Report on the Overview of the RMA Process and Iwi Involvement and confirmed the following:

- Council to work with the RMA working party to ensure Members are kept informed with relevant information.
- Members to work with Council's GIS staff to establish respective boundaries represented by each Member.

Margaret Hawthorne, Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED

Members Edmonds / Pehi

That the Report on the Overview RMA Process and Iwi Involvement be received.

7 578658 - PROPOSED KING TAWHIAO SIGN

M35-0072

Members considered a Report on the Proposed King Tawhiao Sign outlining the potential commercial use or advertising of King Tawhiao and his story. Council is mindful that the upgrade may encourage this risk and is seeking guidance from Iwi and the wider community on how this may be minimised.

RESOLVED

Members Hudson / Edmonds

That the Report on the Proposed King Tawhiao Sign be received.

8 578620 – UPDATE ON MĀORI LAND COURT

M35-0072

Members considered a Report on the Updates from the Māori Land Court. Erik Lei, Council's Management Accountant Project spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions. Council's process around Māori Land is often complicated by a lack of inter-generational successions and the difficulty in being able to deal directly with the responsible land owners.

RESOLVED

Members Kereopa / Pehi

That the Report on Update on Māori Land Court be confirmed.

9 578701 - CORRESPONDENCE

M35-0072

Members considered the internal and external correspondence received.

RESOLVED

Member Hudson / Councillor Pehi

That the Inwards Correspondence be received and the Outward Correspondence be confirmed.

10 **578682 – PROGRESS REPORT**

M35-0072

Members considered a Report giving an overview on the progress of the following matters:

- **Draft Exceptions Annual Plan 2014-15 (Draft EAP)**
 - Copies of the draft EAP were handed out to Members. Pauline Welch, Council's Group Manager Customer Services spoke to Members about the draft EAP process and answered questions.
- **Proposed King Tawhiao Sign**
 - The working party is organising another public hui for the end of April at Te Koura Marae.
- **Iwi Representation Mandate Letters**
 - Members who are yet to submit their mandate letters to Council were reminded to do so as soon as possible.
 - Chairperson Ashford advised that his mandate letter will be sent in to Council as soon as his respective hapu/marae has had their meeting.
- **Rates Working Party Hui**
 - A rates working party meeting will be organised over for next week or the following week.

RESOLVED

Members Hudson / Councillor Pehi

That the Report on the Progress Report be received.

11 **578693 – ISSUES FROM REPRESENTATIVES**

M35-0072

Members considered a report on Issues from Representatives:

- **New Fire Station**
 - Member Kereopa stated that other affected parties do not support the new location of the fire station and are not happy with the persistent approach which is being undertaken in pursuit of affected party sign off.
- **Te Kaunihera Māori a Rohe o Ruapehu (Te Kaunihera Māori)**
 - Councillor Gillard advised that a member of the public asked her about the role of Te Kaunihera Māori.
 - It was suggested that Paul Wheatcroft, Council's Communication Manager do a press release or that an open day be held to inform the public about the role of Te Kaunihera Māori.

RESOLVED

Members Kereopa / Councillor Gillard

That the Report on the Issues from Representatives be received.

It was suggested that future meetings start at 10:00am.

There being no further business the meeting was closed with a karakia by Member Kereopa and a himene at 3:00pm.

Dated at Taumarunui this 4th day of July 2014.

Edwin Ashford
CHAIRPERSON