

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

**MINUTES**

**MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI  
ON FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2013 AT 10.45AM**

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**PRESENT**

Mayor:	Sue Morris	
Councillors:	Don Cameron	Deputy Mayor/Waimarino-Waiouru Ward
	Marion Gillard	Ohura Ward
Iwi Representatives:		
Chairperson	Edwin Ashford	Tuwharetoa (Tutetawha)
	Wayne Hudson	Tuwharetoa (Ngati Hikairo Hapu)
	Evelyn Kereopa	Maniapoto (Te Ihingārangi)
	Pita Pehi	Ngāti Hinewai & Uenuku Tribal Authority
Staff:	Margaret Hawthorne	Group Manager Community Services
	Jo Tocker	Policy Planner
	Heni Butler	Environmental Planner
	Rayden Horton	Administrator (RDMC)

**1     KARAKIA M80-0057**

Chairperson Ashford opened the meeting with a karakia.

**2     APOLOGIES M80-0057**

***RESOLVED***

***Members Kereopa / Pehi***

*That the apology received from Members Kathy Webb, Tame Tuwhangai, Raukura Tangihaere, Arthur Edmonds and Council's Chief Executive Peter Till, is received and Leave of Absence granted.*

**3     565029 - PUBLIC FORUM A05-0014**

No members of the public were present.

4 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - 5 JULY 2013**

**RESOLVED**

**Councillor Gillard / Member Pehi**

*That the Public-Business Minutes of the Ruapehu District Maori Council meeting held on 5 July 2013, are confirmed as a true and correct record.*

5 **567536 - CORRESPONDENCE**

M35-0072

Members considered a Report on internal or external correspondence received.

**RESOLVED**

**Mayor Morris / Member Kereopa**

*That the Report on Correspondence be received.*

6 **567563 – DEPUTATION: HORIZONS 2013 STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT**

M35-0072

Members considered a Report advising that Horizon's Regional Council Senior Environmental Scientist Water Quality Logan Brown and Policy Planner Barry Gilliland would be in attendance to give a presentation on the key findings of the 2013 State of the Environment Report.

**RESOLVED**

**Councillor Cameron / Member Hudson**

*That the Report on Deputation: Horizons 2013 State of the Environment be received.*

7 **567427 – RURAL FIRE UPDATE**

M35-0072

Members considered a Report updating the Members on Rural Fire.

**RESOLVED**

**Mayor Morris / Member Hudson**

1 *That the Report providing an update on Ruapehu District Rural Fire be received.*

2 *That Mayor Sue presented Member Pita Pehi with certificates of achievement from the New Zealand Qualification Authority for Rural Fire and services to the community.*

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.10pm and reconvened at 12.45pm.

**8**      **567704 – RUAPEHU CITIZENS AWARDS 2013**

M35-0072

The Members considered a Report on the Ruapehu Citizens Awards 2013 and the process for receiving nominations from organisations and individuals throughout the Ruapehu District Council North and South Regions. Councillor Gillard and Mayor Morris encouraged the Members to submit nominations.

**RESOLVED**

**Members Kereopa / Pehi**

*That the Report on the Ruapehu Citizens Awards 2013 be received.*

**9**      **567501 - PROGRESS REPORT**

M35-0072

Members considered a Report on Updates and Progress. Council's Policy Planner and Chairperson Ashford spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

- Refurbishment of King Tawhiao Sign:
  - Council's Policy Planner advised that Member Rangihaere fully supported the words on both sides of the sign. The committee also agreed.
  - Mayor Sue asked for Francis Rupe to be consulted.
  - Member Kereopa asked what would happen to the old sign, suggesting that it be gifted to a Museum.
  - Mayor Morris suggested that the Northern Entrance Committee decide and advise the Members.
- Para Kore:
  - RDMC Administrator thanks those Members who have provided their information thus far.
- Submission from RDMC for dog exercise areas:
  - Member Hudson advised that there was a past submission. Council's Policy Planner to investigate and bring back to the table in September.
- Cherry Grove (Nga Huinga):
  - Member Hudson said Cherry Grove attracts a lot of people. It is not a dog exercise area.
- Māori Land – Remission of Rates:
  - The working party to organise their first hui.
- Discussion Workshops
  - Mayor Sue reinforced the value and importance for RDMC having workshops. Council's Policy Planner to investigate revenue for workshops.

**RESOLVED**

**Members Hudson / Kereopa**

1      *That the Report on Updates and Progress Report be received.*

2      *That the outcome for the dog exercise area be received in the September meeting.*

3 *That the Members agree to implement discussion workshops.*

**10**     **567695 – RATES WORKING PARTY**     *M35-0072*

Members considered a Report to discuss the role for the Rates Working Party. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

It was agreed that a group be set up but not to seek a submission to Central Government.

**RESOLVED**     ***Councillor Gillard / Member Hudson***

- 1     *That the Report on Rates Working Party be received.*
- 2     *That Members Pehi and Kereopa (Iwi Representatives from RDMC) are nominated to be in the Rate Working Party.*

**11**     **567554 - ISSUES FROM REPRESENTATIVES**     *M35-0072*

Members considered a Report which allows Members / Representatives to raise any issues for discussion.

Member Hudson discussed:

- o Ketetahi Paper Road closure – more research is required
- o Freshwater Reforms – Was great that Horizons were in attendance to answer questions on water reforms

**RESOLVED**     ***Councillor Gillard / Member Kereopa***

*That the Report on Issues from Members / Representatives be received.*

**12**     **567531 – CAPITAL WORKS, OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST AND MEMBERS REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**     *M35-0072*

Members considered a Report on the Capital Works, Other Items of Interest and Members Requests for Information from the Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee, the National Park Community Board area and the Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board area in 2013/14. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members' questions.

TOWC 8 August

(C1) Main Street Revival – Coloured lights. Mayor Sue advised the Members that Enterprise Taumarunui Incorporated is fundraising for \$10K to get the lights put in by Christmas.

(O1) Community projects like St. Johns approach Council to wave the cost of resource consent.

WWCB 4 July

(C2) Mayor Sue advised that hall in question was definitely the hall on Queen Street, Raetihi.

WWCB 1 August

(E17) Ngati Rangi heavily engaged in their community plan.

**RESOLVED**

**Councillor Gilliard / Member Kereopa**

*That the Report on Capital Works, Other Items of Interest and Members Request for Information be received.*

**13 567791 – COUNCIL REPORTS**

M35-0072

Members considered a Report on Council Reports that are current and are being presented to Council for discussion and decisions. Council's Group Manager Community Services spoke to the Report and answered Members questions.

Councillor Gillard gave an update on the Ohura water issues.

**RESOLVED**

**Members Hudson / Pehi**

*That the Report on Council Reports be received.*

**14 567836 – RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FOR CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL BUSINESS**

M35-0072

**RESOLVED**

**Mayor Morris / Member Hudson**

- 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:*

<b>General Subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under S 48(1) for passing this resolution</b>
<i>C1:Ruapehu District Maori Council Meeting Minutes Confirmation of Minutes: 5 July 2013 (Public Excluded Business)</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>

*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.*

Chairperson Ashford reminded Members to send in their mandated letters from their respective hapu and iwi before the next meeting. Please consider who you might want to be the Chairperson for the next three years.

I believe Pita is standing for the Waimarino - Waiouru Ward as a Councillor and Mayor, Marion is standing again for the Ohura Ward and Don is also standing for Mayor. Good luck everyone.

There being no further business, Chairperson Ashford concluded the meeting at 3pm with a karakia.

Dated at Taumarunui this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September 2013.

Edwin Ashford  
**CHAIRPERSON**