

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 72 LAKE TERRACE, TAUPŌ
ON TUESDAY, 28 MARCH 2017 AT 2.00PM**

PRESENT: Cr Rosie Harvey (in the Chair), Cr John Boddy, Cr Zane Cozens, Cr Barry Hickling, Cr Rosanne Jollands, Cr Tangonui Kingi, Cr Anna Park, Cr Christine Rankin, Cr John Williamson

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive, Group Manager: Finance & Strategy, Group Manager: Business & Technology, Group Manager: Operational Services, Group Manager: Corporate & Community, Democracy & Community Engagement Manager, Communications Manager, Corporate Solicitor, Infrastructure Manager, Policy Manager, Commercial Manager, Business Development Manager, Business Development Planner, Business Development Coordinator, Senior Policy Advisor: A King, Senior Policy Advisor: J Budge, Senior Reserves Planner, Senior Communications Advisor, Online Communications Advisor, Customer Services/Democracy Support Officer – Turangi.

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: Eighteen members of the public.

- Notes:
- (i) Deputy Mayor Cr Rosie Harvey welcomed everyone and Cr Tangonui Kingi opened the meeting with a karakia.
 - (ii) Agenda items were considered in the following order: 3, 4, 5.8, 5.5, 5.1-5.7 & 5.9-6.3.
 - (iii) Cr Zane Cozens left the meeting at 3.26pm and returned at 3.31pm. He was not present for resolutions TDC201703/44 & TDC201703/45.

1 APOLOGIES

TDC201703/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Anna Park
Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingii

That apologies from Mayor David Trewavas and Cr Kirsty Trueman be received and accepted.

.CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 28 FEBRUARY 2017

Minutes of a Council meeting held on 28 February 2017 had been circulated.

TDC201703/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi
Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 28 February 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

4 RECEIPT OF MINUTES

4.1 RECEIPT OF MINUTES AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chief Executive highlighted that there were three recommendations for consideration/approval.

TDC201703/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

1. That Council receives the minutes of the following meetings:
 1. Taupo Airport Authority Committee Meeting – 13 February 2017
 2. Turangi/Tongariro Community Board Meeting – 14 February 2017
 3. Emergency Management Committee Meeting – 20 February 2017
 4. Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group Meeting – 21 February 2017
 5. Audit & Risk Committee Meeting – 6 March 2017
 6. Turangi Reserves Management Plan Committee Meeting – 13 March 2017
 7. Turangi/Tongariro Community Board Meeting – 14 March 2017
2. That Council approves the recommendation from the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group meeting held on 21 February 2017, “that Cr Kirsty Trueman is appointed to represent the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group on the Emergency Management Committee for the 2016-19 Triennium [resolution MP201702/05].
3. That Council approves the recommendation from the the Mangakino/Pouakani Representative Group meeting held on 21 February 2017, “that Mrs Lisa de Thierry be eligible for a meeting fee of \$100 and be reimbursed in line with Council’s Expenses and Remuneration Policy 2016 [for her work as an observer on the Waikato River Trails Trust during the 2016-19 Triennium]” [resolution MP201702/06].
4. That Council approves the recommendation from the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board meeting held on 14 March 2017, “that the implementation of the proposed changes to the intersection at Omori be approved” [resolution TT201703/06].

CARRIED

5 POLICY AND DECISION MAKING

5.1 CONTRACT TDC/1516/179 - ACACIA BAY WWTP DISPOSAL FIELD UPGRADE

The Infrastructure Manager noted that this was the second time the contract had been put out for tender.

TDC201703/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr Zane Cozens

That the Tender for Contract TDC/1516/179 – Acacia Bay WWTP Disposal Field Upgrade submitted by E & J Contractors for the sum of \$311,203.00 plus GST be accepted and that His Worship the Mayor and the Chief Executive be authorised to sign the Contract Documents and attach the Council’s Common Seal to them.

CARRIED

5.2 CONTRACT TDC/1112/069 - STREETLIGHT MAINTENANCE 2012-2015 REQUEST FOR INCREASE IN CONTRACT VALUE AND EXTENSION OF TERM OF CONTRACT

As detailed in his report, the Infrastructure Manager reiterated why it was recommended that Contract TDC/112/069 be extended, and the contract sum increased.

In answer to a member question, he advised that utilising the framework of the existing contract was the most cost effective mechanism.

TDC201703/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr John Williamson

1. That Council approves an increase for the contract sum of Contract TDC/1112/069 Streetlight Maintenance by \$100,000 to a total sum of \$1,152,916.01 plus GST to 30 June 2017.
2. That Council authorises the CEO to negotiate the extension of Contract TDC/1112/069 Streetlight Maintenance for a further period of up to 12 months with Broadspectrum by \$300,000 to a total sum of \$1,452,916.01 plus GST to 30 June 2018.

CARRIED

5.3 RECEIPT OF DRAFT STATEMENTS OF INTENT

The Business Development Planner advised that Draft SOIs were required to be received by Council under the Local Government Act. Officers were currently reviewing the Drafts.

TDC201703/06 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Boddy

Seconded: Cr Zane Cozens

That Council receives the draft Statements of Intent and instructs staff to undertake a review of these documents [to be supplied to Council for consideration in April] for the 2017/18 financial year from the:

- a. Taupō Airport Authority;
- b. Local Authority Shared Services;
- c. Bay of Plenty Local Authority Shared Services;
- d. Destination (Great) Lake Taupō; and
- e. NZ Local Government Funding Agency Limited.

CARRIED

5.4 ADOPT STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL FOR THE FEES AND CHARGES 2017/18

Senior Policy Advisor Ariell King noted that council workshops on the proposed 2017/18 fees and charges had been held in February and March 2017.

TDC201703/07 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Anna Park

Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

That Council adopts the statement of proposal of the draft fees and charges in Attachment 1 (A1875484) for consultation using the special consultative procedure set out in section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

5.5 KINLOCH ESPLANADE RESERVE VEHICLE ACCESS

The Policy Manager was in attendance and explained that it was appropriate for members to provide their preferred direction in relation to vehicle access on Kinloch Esplanade Reserve.

Councillor Hickling put the following motion:

Moved: Cr Barry Hickling
Seconded: Cr John Williamson

MOTION

1. That Council resolves that the Kinloch Esplanade Reserve be open to vehicles, a decision that is consistent with the Reserve Management Plan 2007, Policy (B) pg. 48 and Policy (c) pg. 49 and;
2. Requests that the Chief Executive establishes a working group to finalise a design that allows for vehicle access, is in sympathy with the natural amenity value of the area and is consistent with the Reserve Management Plan.

Discussions ensued and the following points were noted:

- Restriction of vehicles could be easily achieved by installing a lockable gate.
- Vehicle access to the reserve would be via the carriageway/road only. Vehicles would not be permitted to drive on to the grass.
- Cr Hickling's proposed motion was somewhat ambiguous and needed slight rewording so that it was more succinct and workable. However, it was fairly comparable with the aspirations of the Kinloch Action Group.
- Permeable materials such as Gobi Blocks could be utilised to substitute a sealed road surface which was not permitted under the RMP.
- If approved, the final design would need to fit within the allocated budget.
- Allowing vehicle access on Kinloch Reserve would be consistent with previous Council decisions for other lakeside reserves such as Wharewaka, Five Mile Bay and Mangakino Lakefront.

TDC201703/08 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Barry Hickling
Seconded: Cr John Williamson

That Council:

1. Resolves that the Kinloch Esplanade Reserve be open to vehicles, a decision that is consistent with the Reserve Management Plan 2007, Policy (B) pg. 48 and Policy (c) pg. 49.
2. Requests that the Chief Executive establishes a working group to finalise a design that provides protection of 4 metres around historic trees and an extension of the driveway; sets aside areas for car parking, and keeps the natural amenity of the reserve.

CARRIED

Note: Cr John Boddy noted his dissent to the above resolution (TDC201703/08)

5.6 HAWKE'S BAY TRIENNIAL AGREEMENT 2016-19

In answer to a member question, Senior Policy Advisor Jane Budge advised that the Agreement had not been signed off by 1 March 2017 as Hawkes Bay Council were finalising related issues.

TDC201703/09 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Boddy
Seconded: Cr Zane Cozens

That Council adopts the Triennial Agreements for the Hawke's Bay Region as a non-primary signatory.

CARRIED

5.7 COUNCIL'S FEBRUARY PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Chief Executive introduced the report and noted that compliance with targets was being achieved as per previous months.

February was an exciting month as organisational development projects took form. A major highlight was meeting with staff district wide to gain feedback which would assist with the development of shared values for the organisation. The aspiration was to become a values based, high performance council.

The Finance, Infrastructure and Policy Managers spoke to their respective areas of the report and provided updates on various projects.

The Policy Manager undertook to find out what an insurance payment received for \$25k entailed (pg 125 – last bullet in text box) and provide further information on the speed limit bylaw.

A member commended the Chief Executive on his leadership and innovative approach in transforming the organisation.

TDC201703/10 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Zane Cozens

Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

That Council notes the information contained in the Council Performance report for the month of February 2017.

CARRIED

5.8 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

Unison Networks Limited General Manager Commercial Len Gould and Manager – Innovation Delivery Nigel Purdy addressed the Council in relation to a proposal from Unison to establish an EV charging station on Kaimanawa Street.

Key points noted were:

- Unison was an electricity distribution and fibre optic network company that serviced the Hawkes Bay, Taupō and Rotorua areas.
- There was 24 staff that worked from the Taupō depot.
- Since 2003, Unison continued to implement substantial new technology in the Taupō region and had invested \$48M over a short period that would enhance local businesses.
- The first response unit was well equipped with staff and fast technology to restore power quickly (100 people were deployed to restore power at Rangitaiki following the August 2016 snow storm).
- Unison had a significant presence and association with the Taupō region that included a working partnership with Wairakei Pastoral Ltd.
- The Kaimanawa Street location was identified as the most suitable site and met all the desired requirements for an EV station that included: adequate space, safety, close proximity to the CBD and, practicalities that would be suitable for ports on different models.
- Pictures of the proposed site layout for construction on additional car parks were shown.
- Initially there would be two EV stations with the intention to expand in future.
- Charging times depended on battery size however most models took approximately 20-30 minutes to be fully charged from flat.
- Cars could be left unattended whilst charging as a text notification would advise when the car was charged.

TDC201703/11 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr Zane Cozens

1. That Council approves Unison's proposal to establish an EV Charging station on Kaimanawa Street adjacent to the fire station.
2. That Council revokes resolution TDC201611/11 in relation to Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, as set out below:

TDC201611/11 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Zane Cozens

Seconded: Cr John Boddy

That Council allocates 2 Council carparks in the carpark between Roberts Street and Tuwharetoa Street to Charge.net for the purpose of an EV charging station.

CARRIED

CARRIED

5.9 FUNDING REQUEST FROM GO TONGARIRO

A report had been circulated that sought a decision from Council whether to approve a request from Go Tongariro for further funding of \$20k for the 2017/18 financial year. The \$20k was additional to funding already allocated in the Long Term Plan 2015-25.

A member noted that it was imperative that Council supported the request based on the substantial work both achieved and scheduled. Subsequently, Go Tongariro (GT) Chair Wayne Smith was invited to address the Council in relation to the request.

Mr Smith thanked the Council for its support to date and acknowledged that not all services and measures had been adhered to. GT had an annual operating cost of approximately \$42k which primarily covered the coordinator wages and administration costs. Faltering beginnings had impeded the organisation's ability to realise self-sustainability within the Council's desired three year period. GT had identified a potential income opportunity by way of a commercial targeted rate however no discussions had yet occurred with the relevant business owners.

The following was clarified in relation to member questions:

- GT operating budget of \$42k included DGLT funding. The requested \$20k would provide assuery going forward and enable GT to retain the coordinators position for another year.
- GT were now GST registered as was required for the feasibility review contractor engagement.
- GT would still be able to continue if the \$20k was GST inclusive.
- Confidentiality restrictions had prevented GT from obtaining some business/commercial property owner details in order to make an appeal for financial assistance.
- GT website cost \$10k to set up. Further funding of \$5k for website upgrades had been secured.
- Council provided free office accommodation and staff support where applicable.
- An assessment against Council's Significance and Engagement Policy would have to occur if funding was approved.

Discussions concluded with a decision to tag the \$20k funding for the coordinators wages. Approval of any further funding requests from Council would be highly unlikely.

TDC201703/12 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Barry Hickling

Seconded: Cr Zane Cozens

That Council agrees to include additional funding of \$20,000 (GST inclusive) in the Draft Annual Plan for the Go Tongariro coordinator wages for the 2017/18 financial year.

CARRIED

5.10 COUNCIL ENGAGEMENTS APRIL 2017 AND CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

The Democracy & Community Engagement Manager advised that freedom camping hearings were scheduled in Taupō on 8 May 2017 and if required, Turangi on 9 May 2017.

TDC201703/13 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Boddy

Seconded: Cr Rosanne Jollands

That Council:

1. Receives the information relating to engagements for April 2017.
2. Retrospectively approves the attendance of Councillor Kingi at the Advanced Reading Skills course in Rotorua on 12 April 2017 and also the Zone 2 meeting in Hamilton on 3 March 2017.
3. Approves the attendance of Crs Christine Rankin and Anna Park at the iSite conference being held in Wellington on 1 May 2017 including flight costs.

CARRIED

5.11 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Tabled reports (A1916230) were received as follows:

Cr John Boddy

- Age Concern meeting
- Meeting Kinloch
- Ironman function – Yacht Club
- Ironman event
- Prizegiving Ironman
- Audit & Risk Committee meeting
- Annual Plan meeting
- Turangi/Tongariro Community Board meeting
- Taupō Football Club – turning on the lights at Crown Park
- Fences, Roding, Reserves & Dogs Committee meeting
- Access Taupō meeting
- Destination Great Lake Taupō shortlisting
- Police briefing
- Events briefing

Cr Rosie Harvey

- Kinloch reserve meeting – Action group
- Hon. Louise Upston catch up – Taste Cafe
- Ironman welcome function – Yacht Club
- Ironman athletes awards – Events Centre
- Colin Paton's funderal – well attended
- Turangi-Tongariro Community Board meeting
- Girl Guides photo at The Warehouse
- Met with business couple re Landing Reserve
- PMG meeting
- 10th Anniversary Ora Garden at Museum

Cr Anna Park

- Kinloch Reserve meeting with John Wordsworth and Tim Britten
- Meeting with Taupō Junior Rugby
- International Women's Day lunch with Hon. Louise Upston
- IMNZ 2017 Sponsors Function
- IMNZ 2017 Official Startline and breakfast
- IMNZ 2017 finish line with sponsors
- IMNZ 2017 dinner and awards function

- Waikato Regional Transport Forum - Hamilton
- Waikato Civil Defence & Emergency Management Joint Committee - Hamilton
- Bike Taupō AGM
- Turangi-Tongariro Community Board workshop and monthly meeting
- Sports Advisory Council meeting
- Rural Travel Fund meeting
- FRRED committee meeting
- Performance Monitoring Group meeting
- DGLT Board Appointments meeting
- Police briefing
- Various workshops
- On behalf of His Worship the Mayor – TDC monthly catch up with DGLT board chair and GM
- TDC public forum
- March full Council meeting

Cr John Williamson

- Bot Society Board meeting
- Bot Society open day
- Sports Advisory Council
- Ora Garden 10 year anniversary celebration

TDC201703/14 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Anna Park
 Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council receives the reports from members.

CARRIED

6 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

TDC201703/15 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands
 Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this 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 Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
<p>Agenda Item No: 6.1 Confirmation of Confidential Portion of Ordinary Council Minutes - 28 February 2017</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7</p>

<p>Agenda Item No: 6.2 Receipt of Confidential Portion of Minutes</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(d) - the withholding of the information is necessary to avoid prejudice to measures protecting the health or safety of members of the public</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7</p>
<p>Agenda Item No: 6.3 Consideration of Options - East Urban Lands Expressions of Interest Process</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable [the Council] to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p> <p>Section 7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable [the Council] to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7</p>

CARRIED

Note: The following part of resolution TDC201703/C03 was made during public excluded business and then released at the meeting so therefore can appear in the public part of the minutes.

TDC201703/C03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands
Seconded: Cr Anna Park

That Council:

3. Directs officers to notify the intent to revoke in part that portion of the Waipahihi Recreation Reserve as per the attached plan (Attachment 2) subject to vesting that same part as Local Purpose Reserve - Road.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 3.45pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 April 2017.

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CHAIRPERSON