

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 107 HEUHEU STREET, TAUPŌ
ON TUESDAY, 26 MARCH 2019 AT 1.30PM**

PRESENT: Mayor David Trewavas (in the Chair), Cr John Boddy, Cr Rosie Harvey, Cr Barry Hickling, Cr Rosanne Jollands, Cr Tangonui Kingi, Cr Anna Park (until 2.45pm), Cr Christine Rankin (until 3.14pm), Cr Maggie Stewart, Cr John Williamson

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive, Head of Finance & Strategy, Head of Communications & Customer Relations, Head of Community, Culture & Heritage, Head of Operations, Head of Economic Development & Business Transformation, Head of Regulatory & Risk, Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues, Facilities Manager, Finance Manager, Infrastructure Manager, Asset Manager Transportation, Manager Legal & Compliance, Administrative Headquarters Building Project Manager, Consents & Regulatory Manager, Chief Alcohol Licencing Inspector, Policy Manager, Senior Policy Advisors, Economic Relationships Manager, Business & Operations Manager, Strategic Advisor Property & Infrastructure, Democratic Services Officer

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: Taupō Times
Three members of the public

His Worship the Mayor, David Trewavas welcomed everyone and Cr Tangonui Kingi opened the meeting with a karakia.

Notes:

- (i) Cr Anna Park left the meeting at 2.45pm. She was not present for resolutions TDC201903/15-25 and TDC201903/C01-C06.
- (ii) Cr Christine Rankin left the meeting at 3.14pm. She was not present for resolutions TDC201903/20-25 and TDC201903/C01-C06.

1 APOLOGIES

TDC201903/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Williamson
Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

That the apologies received from Cr Christine Rankin (for early departure) and Cr Kirsty Trueman (for absence) be accepted.

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Rosanne Jollands declared conflicts of interest in relation to items 5.7 (AoG Electricity Tender) and 5.10 (Making Plan Change 34 – Flood Hazard Operative). She did not participate in discussion and she abstained from voting on those items.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 26 FEBRUARY 2019

In answer to a question, the Chief Executive confirmed that all elected members would be invited to attend the site visit to the reserve near Docherty Drive, Taupō.

TDC201903/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Cr Anna Park

That the public and confidential portions of the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 26 February 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED**3.2 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 19 MARCH 2019****TDC201903/06 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr Rosie Harvey

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 19 March 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED**4 RECEIPT OF MINUTES****4.1 ORDINARY TAUPŌ AIRPORT AUTHORITY COMMITTEE MEETING - 18 FEBRUARY 2019****TDC201903/07 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Cr Rosanne Jollands

That Council receives the minutes of the Taupō Airport Authority Committee meeting held on Monday 18 February 2019.

CARRIED**4.2 ORDINARY KINLOCH REPRESENTATIVE GROUP MEETING - 28 FEBRUARY 2019****TDC201903/08 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council receives the minutes of the Kinloch Representative Group meeting held on Thursday 28 February 2019.

CARRIED**4.3 ORDINARY AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE MEETING - 11 MARCH 2019**

In answer to a question, the Consents & Regulatory Manager advised that the building consent authority report had not yet been received.

TDC201903/09 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Barry Hickling
Seconded: Cr Maggie Stewart

1. That Council receives the minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee meeting held on Monday 11 March 2019.
2. That Council approves Audit & Risk Committee recommendation AR201903/09 "that the proposed Asset Disposal Policy 2019 (A2376362) be adopted".

CARRIED

5 POLICY AND DECISION MAKING**5.1 MINUTES OF LAKE TAUPŌ PROTECTION PROJECT JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING - 30 NOVEMBER 2018****TDC201903/10 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr John Williamson
Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

That Council receives the minutes of the Lake Taupō Protection Joint Committee meeting held on 30 November 2018

CARRIED

5.2 NORTHERN CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

The Head of Operations, the Infrastructure Manager and the Asset Manager Transportation answered questions of clarification.

The Asset Manager Transportation made a correction to the report, changing the reference in the first line of the report from \$238k to \$233k.

In answer to a question, the Head of Operations advised that some of the expenditure for the underground cabling of the traffic signals would come out of the traffic calming budget. He added that the Northern corridor improvements were being treated as an entire project, using four Long-term Plan 2018-28 budgets.

The Infrastructure Manager made a PowerPoint presentation (A2433301) with visuals showing planned Northern corridor improvements including traffic signals at the Norman Smith Street / Wairakei Drive intersection.

In answer to further questions, the Head of Operations and the Asset Manager Transportation advised that:

- The improvements were designed to improve traffic flow on Norman Smith Street and Wairakei Drive, particularly heading south onto Tongariro Street. They would improve the Norman Smith queue length issue, but not completely solve it. Models also showed that 'stacking' around the bridge would still occur as traffic merged to the single lane.
- The improvements would also make it safer for pedestrians and cyclists to cross Norman Smith Street.
- The traffic signals would have a 'resting green phase' so that if no vehicles were sitting at Norman Smith Street, Wairakei Drive traffic would have the right of way.

Members decided to proceed with the Northern corridor improvement project; safety was paramount and the project had been included in the Long-term Plan following a public consultation process.

TDC201903/11 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosie Harvey

Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

1. That Council approves the additional budget of \$233,000+GST to complete the full project scope of the Northern Corridor improvements including the signalisation of Norman Smith Street and Wairakei Drive intersection.
2. That Council accepts the Tender for Contract TDC/1819/270 for Northern Corridor Improvements submitted by Higgins for the sum of \$669,723.30 [excl. GST] and authorises His Worship the Mayor and the Chief Executive to sign the Contract Document(s) and attach the Council's Common Seal to them.
3. That Council accepts the quote of \$180,000 [excl. GST] received from Traffic Signals Ltd (TSL) for the installation of the signals received on 29 January 2019.

CARRIED

Note: Crs John Boddy and Rosanne Jollands requested their dissent to resolution TDC201903/11 above be recorded.

5.3 FINANCIAL AND RATING ANALYSIS TURANGI

In answer to a question, the Head of Regulatory & Risk advised that the independent Chairperson of Council's Audit & Risk Committee had been provided with information about the public meeting and copies of correspondence from Turangi residents outlining their requests for the analysis. The Chief Executive added that some items requested by residents had not been included, partly because information was unobtainable, or would be of limited value, for example comparisons between Taupō district and other districts at ward levels.

TDC201903/12 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Anna Park

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council approves unbudgeted expenditure of \$16,500 (excl. GST) for the Financial and Rating Analysis – Turangi project.

CARRIED**5.4 WAIORA HOUSE OPTIONS**

The Facilities Manager emphasised the fact that the figures provided in the report were estimates.

In answer to questions, the Head of Finance & Strategy advised that the initial part of the work relating to Waiora House was emergency expenditure, therefore had been funded from the TEL fund. The next stages (demolition and remediation) would be funded through rates. The future of the site and arrangements with Waiora House tenants would be considered at a later date.

In answer to another question, the Facilities Manager advised that the site would be leveled and turned into green space, similar to the site at 72 Lake Terrace.

TDC201903/13 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Barry Hickling

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That Council approves unbudgeted expenditure of \$450,000 (excl GST) to demolish the main building of Waiora House including contingency of up to \$100,000 (excl GST) for the removal of contaminated soil on the site.

CARRIED

5.5 SPARK REQUEST FOR INFRASTRUCTURE ON GREAT LAKE CENTRE

The Facilities Manager introduced the report and added that the new infrastructure would be painted the same colour as the Great Lake Centre and built in a way that would enable separate services to be added on in future if required. In answer to a question, he confirmed that no additional approvals were required from Council.

TDC201903/14 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

That Council approves the request from Spark to upgrade the infrastructure on the Great Lake Centre building as described in the documents attached to the agenda.

CARRIED

5.6 APPLICATIONS FOR CLASS 4 GAMBLING VENUES

The Consents & Regulatory Manager and the Senoir Policy Advisor answered questions and the following points were noted:

- It was open to Council to approve an extension of a lesser number of machines at Tokaanu-Turangi RSA.
- Legislation sets a cap on the amount of money venues could receive from gaming machines. This was limited to the cost of operating the machines and the rest of the money goes to charity.

Cr Anna Park left the meeting at this point (2.45pm).

TDC201903/15 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr Maggie Stewart

1. That Council declines the application for an extension of 5 machines at Tokaanu-Turangi RSA.
2. That Council declines the application for a new gaming venue consisting of 9 machines at Grandeur Thermal Spa Resort.

CARRIED

Note: *When the above motion was put, on a show of hands,*

His Worship the Mayor, David Trewavas and Crs Barry Hickling, Rosanne Jollands and Maggie Stewart voted in favour of the motion;

Crs Rosie Harvey, Tangonui Kingi, Christine Rankin and John Williamson voted against the motion; and

Cr John Boddy abstained from voting.

His Worship the Mayor used his casting vote and declared the motion carried.

5.7 AOG ELECTRICITY TENDER FOR TDC FOR PERIOD 1 JULY 2019 TO 30 JUNE 2022

The Finance Manager answered questions of clarification.

TDC201903/16 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Boddy
Seconded: Cr Maggie Stewart

That the AoG tender for Electricity Supply 2019-2022 submitted by Meridian for time of use and non-time of use sites, for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2022 at an estimated sum of \$5,168,621 [excl. gst] be accepted and that His Worship the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign the contract documents and attach the Common Seal to them.

CARRIED

Note: Cr Rosanne Jollands abstained from voting on resolution TDC201903/16 above.

5.8 TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY AMENDMENT

The Finance Manager answered questions of clarification.

TDC201903/17 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands
Seconded: Cr John Boddy

That Council amends the Treasury Management Policy (dated June 2018) Clause 6.6. Counterparty credit risk for Interest rate Risk management instruments from the OEM measurement methodology calculated as:

“Interest Rate Risk management (e.g.swaps,FRA’s) – Transaction Notional x Maturity (years) x 3%.”

to the FPCE measurement methodology calculated as:

“Interest Rate Risk Management – (e.g.swaps) MTM (if positive) + ((FPCE)(FV*remaining term (years)*Interest Rate Factor % per annum))”

CARRIED

5.9 RECEIPT OF DRAFT STATEMENTS OF INTENT

The Chief Executive drew members’ attention to the significant changes proposed for Waikato Local Authority Shared Services (WLASS) and outlined in the WLASS draft Statement of Intent document.

Cr Rosanne Jollands advised that the Taupō Airport Authority had indicated in the draft Statement of Intent, but not quantified, future investment in the airport.

TDC201903/18 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Williamson
Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

The Council receives the draft SOIs and instructs staff to undertake a review of these documents for the 2019/20 financial year from the:

1. Taupō Airport Authority (TAA)
2. Waikato Local Authority Shared Services (WLASS)
3. Bay of Plenty LASS (BOPLASS)
4. Destination (Great) Lake Taupō (DGLT)
5. New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency Limited (NZLGFA)

CARRIED

5.10 MAKING PLAN CHANGE 34 - FLOOD HAZARD OPERATIVE

Members praised the work of the Senior Policy Advisor and other staff members who had worked on this Plan Change over several years.

TDC201903/19 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Williamson

Seconded: Cr John Boddy

1. That Council approves Plan Change 34 - Flood Hazard to the District Plan, in accordance with clause 17 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.
2. That in accordance with clause 20 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991, Plan Change 34 – Flood Hazard will become operative on 15 April 2019.

CARRIED

Note: Cr Rosanne Jollands abstained from voting on resolution TDC201903/19 above.

5.11 COUNCIL'S FEBRUARY PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Chief Executive introduced the report and heads of department summarised their respective sections and answered questions, with additional points as noted below.

- It was difficult to forecast what Council's position would be at the end of the financial year. There were a lot of capital projects underway; investment markets were challenging; and several pieces of work had been approved by Council as 'unbudgeted expenditure'. Staff were very conscious of trying to do things in as cost effective a manner as possible.
- GNS had recently made a presentation on an \$8m research project focusing on a super volcano eruption. Several volcanologists would be visiting Taupō and Rotorua over the next year.
- Operating costs in the community services area were unfavourable due to legal costs.
- Waiora House tenancies had been pre-paid to 30 June 2019. It was envisaged that the tenancies would be continued for 12 months from 1 July 2019 as part of the next Annual Plan and Council would make a decision about the future after that. Financial details and options would be provided in due course.

Cr Christine Rankin left the meeting at this point (3.14pm).

- The Acacia Bay Water Supply upgrade project budget would be clarified following the meeting (the figure provided in the performance report \$311,571 was different to the Long-term Plan figure).
- The substandard seal on lower Spa Road had not yet been fixed, but the contractor was aware of it.

TDC201903/20 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

That Council notes the information contained in the Council Performance report for the month of February 2019.

CARRIED

5.12 ADOPTION OF DRAFT FEES AND CHARGES 2019/20 FOR CONSULTATION

The Senior Policy Advisor tabled the draft Fees & Charges 2019/20 for consultation along with the associated 'Statement of Proposal' (A2431611). Together with the Business & Operations Manager, he summarised changes which had been made to the draft Fees & Charges as a result of the workshop held on 19 March 2019. These changes were highlighted yellow in the tabled document.

TDC201903/21 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Barry Hickling
Seconded: Cr John Williamson

That Council adopts the draft Fees and Charges 2019/20 (A2431611), for consultation using the special consultative procedure in accordance with section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.

CARRIED

5.13 255 CROWN ROAD PROPOSED VESTING TO ENABLE SALE OF BALANCE LOT**TDC201903/22 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands
Seconded: Cr John Boddy

That Council directs officers to undertake the process required to enable the land shown as lot 2 on the scheme plan attached to the agenda to be vested as local purpose reserve – stormwater – in accordance with Section 52 of the Public Works Act; and that Council authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive to execute the application to set the land apart pursuant to Section 52(4) of the Public Works Act.

CARRIED

5.14 TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS 2019 - ORDER OF CANDIDATES' NAMES**TDC201903/23 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands
Seconded: Mayor David Trewavas

That pursuant to clause 31 [1] Local Electoral Regulations 2001 Council hereby determines that the names of the candidates in the 2019 Taupō District elections shall be arranged on the voting documents in random order.

CARRIED

5.15 COUNCIL ENGAGEMENTS APRIL 2019 AND CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

The Head of Democracy, Governance & Venues advised that consultation events for the proposed amendment to the Long-term Plan 2018-28 would be added to the list of engagements for April in due course.

TDC201903/24 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands
Seconded: Cr Tangonui Kingi

That Council receives the information relating to engagements for April 2019.

CARRIED

5.16 MEMBERS' REPORTS

There were no reports received from members.

6 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

TDC201903/25 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rosanne Jollands

Seconded: Cr Barry Hickling

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 Receipt of Lake Taupō Protection Joint Committee Publicly Excluded Minutes - 30 November 2018</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</p> <p>Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege</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>
<p>Agenda Item No: 6.2 Receipt of Confidential Portion of Minutes - Taupō Airport Authority Committee - 18 February 2019</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 Receipt of Confidential Portion of Minutes - Audit & Risk Committee - 11 March 2019</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege</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: 6.4 Consideration of lease proposals 2 Ashwood Avenue, Taupō</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a)(i)- the public conduct of the relevant part of the</p>

	<p>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>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: 6.5 Reappointment of Destination Great Lake Taupō Chairman - Fixed Term</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</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: 6.6 Appointment of Chief Executive Officer</p>	<p>Section 7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</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

The meeting closed at 3.43pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the ordinary Council meeting held on 30 April 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON