

TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY TAUPŌ RESERVES AND ROADING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 107 TE HEUHEU STREET, TAUPŌ
ON TUESDAY, 3 DECEMBER 2024 AT 1.30PM

- PRESENT:** Cr John Williamson (in the Chair), Cr Duncan Campbell, Cr Anna Park (via MS Teams), Cr Christine Rankin, Cr Kevin Taylor, Cr Yvonne Westerman
- IN ATTENDANCE:** General Manager Strategy and Environment (W Zander), Communications Manager (L McMichael), Events and Venues Manager (S Giles), Parks and Reserves Manager (G Hadley), Parks Advisor – Planning and Operations (B Vi), Policy Advisor (H Wood), Governance Quality Manager (S James)
- MEDIA AND PUBLIC:** Taupō Golf Club President, Mr Craig Orr

1 KARAKIA

The meeting was opened by all present reciting Taupō District Council's karakia.

2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES

TRARC202412/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr John Williamson
Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

That the apologies received from Cr Kylie Leonard, Mr Te Moananui Rameka, Cr Rachel Shepherd and His Worship the Mayor, David Trewavas be accepted.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō Reserves and Roothing Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TRARC202412/01 above.

3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following declarations were made in relation to the Taupō Golf Club (agenda item 5.1):

- Cr John Williamson declared that he had purchased a Taupō Golf Club membership since the new lease process had commenced.
- Cr Yvonne Westerman declared that her property company provided sponsorship for both the Taupō Golf Club and the Taupō Bridge Club.
- Cr Christine Rankin declared that the organisation of which she was chief executive, the Lake Taupō Hospice, was at times a recipient of games of golf at the Taupō Golf Club.

4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 ORDINARY TAUPŌ RESERVES AND ROADING COMMITTEE MEETING - 5 NOVEMBER 2024

In answer to a question, the Parks Advisor – Planning and Operations advised that public consultation on the proposal to grant a licence to occupy for gardening to the Waipāhīhī Community Gardens Trust Incorporated was still underway.

TRARC202412/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Yvonne Westerman

Seconded: Cr Christine Rankin

That the minutes of the Taupō Reserves and Roding Committee meeting held on Tuesday 5 November 2024 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō Reserves and Roding Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TRARC202412/02 above.

5 NGĀ KAUPAPA HERE ME NGĀ WHAKATAUNGA | POLICY AND DECISION MAKING

5.1 DELIBERATION REPORT - SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED REGARDING NEW LEASES TO TAUPŌ GOLF COURSE AND TAUPŌ BRIDGE CLUB

The Parks and Reserves Manager and the Parks Advisor – Planning and Operations addressed the Committee, confirming that public consultation had been completed, with 37 submissions received. The submitter who had asked to be heard in support of their submission had subsequently advised that they were unable to attend the meeting.

Committee Chairperson Cr John Williamson acknowledged the Taupō Golf Club President, Mr Craig Orr, who was in attendance. At the invitation of the Chairperson, Mr Orr addressed the Committee and thanked Council for considering the Golf Club's request. He explained that the Golf Club had continued to develop its facilities and courses for the benefit of the Taupō community, with only a small number of things delayed pending the outcome of the current process.

Cr Duncan Campbell asked Mr Orr if the Taupō Golf Club could hold golf days for Taupō District Council staff. The Chamberlain Park Public Golf Course had done this for Auckland Council staff in the past. Other committee members were incredulous at Cr Campbell's suggestion and pointed out that it was entirely inappropriate, particularly in light of the fact that the Committee was just about to consider the request to grant a new lease to the Taupō Golf Course Incorporated.

Members decided to formally accept and acknowledge all submissions and proceed with the grant of new ground leases to both the Taupō Golf Course Incorporated and the Taupō Bridge Club Incorporated. They agreed that this was a good example of Council partnering with organisations for the benefit of the wider community.

TRARC202412/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Christine Rankin

Seconded: Cr Kevin Taylor

The Taupō Reserves and Roding Committee:

1. Formally accepts and acknowledges all submissions received as a result of the public notice issued on 27 September 2024;
2. Agrees to Surrender the existing lease to Taupō Golf Course Incorporated; and grants a new ground Lease to Taupō Golf Course Incorporated in accordance with section 54(1)(c) of the Reserves Act 1977 for a term of 33 years;

3. Grants a new ground Lease to Taupō Bridge Club Incorporated in accordance with section 54(1)(c) of the Reserves Act 1977 for a term of 33 years;
4. Delegates to the Chief Executive authority to negotiate and agree on the final terms and conditions of each lease in 3. and 4. above and to arrange signing of each as a deed;
5. Approves the exercise of the Minister’s consent (under sub-delegation from Council, as delegate of the Minister of Conservation) to the granting of a new ground Lease to Taupō Golf Club Incorporated over part of the land in Record of Title SA12A/860; and
6. Approves the exercise of the Minister’s consent (under sub-delegation from Council, as delegate of the Minister of Conservation) to the granting of a new ground Lease to Taupō Bridge Club Incorporated over part of the land in Record of Title SA12A/860.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Taupō Reserves and Roding Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TRARC202412/03 above.

6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

The meeting closed at 1.44pm with everyone present reciting Taupō District Council’s closing karakia.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the ordinary Taupō Reserves and Roding Committee meeting held on 18 March 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON