

Rangitīkei District Council

Council Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 31 January 2019 – 9:30 AM

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The quorum for the Council is 6.

Council’s Standing Orders (adopted 3 November 2016) 10.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Richard Aslett
Cr Jane Dunn
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Dean McManaway
Cr Graeme Platt
Cr Ruth Rainey
Cr Lynne Sheridan
Cr David Wilson

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Blair Jamieson, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
Mr Arno Benadie, Principal Advisor – Infrastructure
Ms Jo Devine, GM – Finance and Business Support
Ms Jo Priestley, Communications / Website Officer
Ms Selena Anderson, Governance Administrator

Tabled Documents:

Item 10A	Portfolio Updates
Item 11	Project Marton – Marton Harvest Festival
Item 16	Proposed amendment to the Speed Limit Bylaw – western end of Hendersons Line, Marton

1 Welcome

The meeting started at 9.42am, His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Council Prayer

Cr Aslett read the Council Prayer

3 Public Forum

Kristy Harris – Taihape Playcentre

Ms Harris supported by three tamariki spoke to Council about the background of the Taihape Playcentre. Parents and the wider community have been proactive in fundraising to purchase the safety flooring however have had a shortfall with the installation of the safety flooring. To help alleviate the costs the parents/community of the Playcentre have undertaken as much work as possible in order to get the area prepared for the installation of the safety flooring. Ms Harris has asked Council to fund the installation cost of the safety flooring of \$4990.00.

4 Minute's silence for Peter Richardson

Member of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa for Ngāti Parewahawaha, 2005-2016

5 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apology for Cr Peke-Mason be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr McManaway. Carried

6 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

Cr Wilson declared a conflict of interest in relation to Item 11 part 9.

Cr Ash declared a conflict of interest in relation to the late item Project Marton – Marton Harvest festival.

7 Confirmation of order of business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, Marton Harvest Festival be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

8 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/001** **File Ref**

That the minutes and public excluded minutes of the Council meeting 13 December 2018 [as amended/without amendment] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Aslett/ Cr Sheridan. Carried

9 Mayor's Report

The Mayor spoke to his report.

Bulls Community Centre – the foundational work is still being carried out. The archaeologist on site has taken samples of what could be early European artefacts away to be assessed.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/002** **File Ref** **3-EP-3-5**

That the Mayor's report and schedule to Council's meeting on 31 January 2019 be received.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/003** **File Ref**

That the Chief Executive investigate the engagement of a planning resource to look at a potential review of the District Plan and the scope of which is to be determined.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr McManaway. Carried

10 Funding request from the Taihape Playcentre

Elected Members noted the commentary in the agenda.

The Taihape Playcentre is applying to Council for funding to have new safety flooring installed at a cost of \$4900.00 + GST. Under a previous criteria they had been declined funding, now that the criteria has changed they are eligible to apply for funding.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/004** **File Ref**

That That Council approves the request for funding from the Taihape Playcentre from the Community initiatives Fund for the amount of \$4,990 + GST

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

10A Portfolio updates

Ohakea	Cr Platt
Criterion Site	Cr Dunn
Shared Services	Cr Belsham/Cr McManaway
Southern Sport	Cr Sheridan
Samoan Community, Youth Development and Environment	Cr Ash
Marion Building (Civic Centre)	Cr Wilson
Iwi Interests	Cr Peke-Mason
Heritage and Tourism	Cr Aslett
Northern Sport and Taihape Building	Cr Gordon / Cr Rainey

Cr Aslett spoke to his tabled update. There were no other updates.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/005** **File Ref**

That the 'Portfolio Updates' to the 31 January 2019 Council meeting be received.

His Worship the Mayor /Cr Belsham Carried

11 Administrative matters

Mr McNeil spoke to the report.

Points highlighted from the report were:

- **Kerbside rubbish and recycling**
Council discussed the uncertainty about recycling and the Ministry for the Environment needing to clarify their policy around recycling.
- **Marion water supply**
Mr McNeil discussed that a Water Strategy will be developed and the scope of the water strategy will be determined at the Assets /Infrastructure Committee meeting.
- **Solarcity**
Community location information will be available at the next meeting
- **Skatepark upgrade at Centennial Park, Marion**
His Worship the Mayor mentioned to Council that Ngā Waiariki Ngāti Apa have kindly donated for use a clean house for the contractors to stay in while they are working on the skatepark.
- **Dump station in Bulls for campervans**
Council discussed that there needed to be more investigation in regards to having dump stations in Bulls and Hunterville and it be discussed at the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

During item 11 part 9 Cr Wilson removed himself from Chambers as he had a conflict of interest with this matter.
10.42am – 10.47am

Undertaking Subject

Scope of the Water Strategy to be put on the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Undertaking Subject

His Worship the Mayor to write an acknowledgement letter to Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa for the use of the house.

Undertaking Subject

Staff to investigate the need for dump stations to be installed in Bulls and Hunterville. This will be reported back through the Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Resolved minute number 19/RDC/006 File Ref

That the report 'Administrative matters – January 2019' to Council's meeting on 31 January 2019 be received.

Cr Gordon/ Cr Rainey. Carried

Resolved minute number 19/RDC/007 File Ref

That issuing the Expression of Interest for the provision of a fortnightly kerbside recycling and weekly rubbish collection service in Bulls, Marton, Hunterville, Mangaweka and Taihape be deferred until there is sufficient national policy certainty from the Government about recycling processing

Cr Wilson/ Cr McManaway. Carried

Resolved minute number 19/RDC/008 File Ref

That, in response to the questions posed by the Remuneration Authority regarding remuneration for community boards, the Rangitikei District Council prefers that the governance pool which the Authority sets for councillors does not include remuneration for community boards, and that the Authority determine the size of the pool for each community board.

Cr Belsham / Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/009** **File Ref**

That in response to questions posed by the Remuneration Authority regarding remuneration for community boards, the Rangitikei District Council indicates its view that remuneration for elected members of each community board should reflect the number of residents represented by the whole board.

Cr Aslett / Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/010** **File Ref**

That Council approve without amendment the development agreement for the proposed construction of new premises/development of the site at 346-360 Wellington Road, Marton by McVerry Crawford'

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Belsham. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/011** **File Ref**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee investigate the placement of dump stations in Bulls and Hunterville

Cr Gordon / Cr McManaway. Carried

12 Top 10 Projects report

Mr McNeil spoke to the memorandum.

Undertaking **Subject**

That a table monitoring the budget progress be included in future reporting to Council in regards to the Bulls multi-purpose community centre and the development of Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site in Marton for Council's administration centre and the town library

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/012** **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Top Ten Projects – status, January 2019' to the 31 January 2019 Council meeting be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Aslett. Carried

Cr McManaway left at 11.10am – 11.15am

Cr Ash left at 11.23am – 11.26am

Cr Dunn left at 11.25am – 11.28am

13 Health and Safety quarterly report

Mr McNeil spoke to the report.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/013** **File Ref**

That the report 'Health & Safety Quarterly Update (October-December 2018)' for the period ending 31 December 2018 be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Belsham. Carried

Cr Belsham left at 11.30am – 11.32am

14 Deliberation on submissions to Animal Control Bylaw

Mr Hodder spoke to the report.

Council discussed that it was a worthwhile to get cats de-sexed; however, there was a further issue in regards to unwanted cats.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/014** **File Ref** **1-DB-1-9**

That the report 'Deliberations on submissions to Animal Control Bylaw 2018' to the 31 January 2019 Council Committee meeting be received.

Cr Rainey / Cr Ash. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/015** **File Ref**

That the Animal Control Bylaw be adopted without amendment to come into force on 11 February 2019.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/016** **File Ref**

That a \$5,000 provision be included in the 2019/20 Annual Plan for a voluntary programme for the de-sexing of cats and, if included, a report be provided to the Policy/Planning Committee on the mechanics of the programme.

Cr Belsham / Cr Sheridan. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/017** **File Ref**

That the Policy/Planning Committee look at the issue of unwanted cats

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Sheridan. Carried

15 Deliberation on submissions to the Rates remission policy on incentivising residential development

Mr Hodder spoke to the report.

Council acknowledged the work that has gone into this policy and also the need for it to be implemented as soon as possible.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/018** **File Ref** **3-PY-1-29**

That the report 'Deliberations on the Rates remission policy for incentivising residential development' to the 31 January 2019 Council meeting be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Aslett. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/019** **File Ref**

That the Rates remission policy for incentivising residential development be adopted without amendment with immediate effect.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Belsham. Carried

16 Review of speed limits bylaw

Mr Hodder spoke to the tabled report.

Recommendations:

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/020** **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Proposed amendment to Speed Limit Bylaw – western end of Hendersons Line Marton' be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Gordon. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/021** **File Ref**

That Council approve consultation on amending the Speed Limit Bylaw for the western end of Hendersons Line, Marton, to Pukepapa Road as an interim intervention in terms of the New Zealand Transport Agency's Speed Management Guide, and authorise the Policy/Planning Committee to approve the relevant documents (including the engagement plan).

Cr Belsham / Cr Wilson. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/022** **File Ref**

That the Assets/Infrastructure Committee be asked to consider the New Zealand Transport Speed Limit management map(s) for the Rangitikei District and recommend what changes warrant consultation with the community during the year.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr McManaway. Carried

17 Submission to Aotearoa - New Zealand Tourism Strategy

Elected Members noted the commentary in the agenda. The following changes were agreed:

- Need for a dedicated Ministry of Tourism (to give focus to the issues in the industry);
- Stress investment in infrastructure support;
- Final review by His Worship the Mayor.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/023** **File Ref** **3-OR-3-5**

That the draft submission to the draft Aotearoa New Zealand Government Tourism Strategy (as amended) be received.

Cr Aslett / Cr Ash. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/024** **File Ref** **3-OR-3-5**

That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign (on behalf of the Council) the draft submission as amended to the draft Aotearoa New Zealand Government Tourism Strategy.

Cr Aslett / Cr Sheridan. Carried

18 Submission to Productivity Commission's Inquiry into local government funding and financing

Elected Members noted the commentary in the agenda.

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/025** **File Ref** **3-OR-3-5**

That the Policy/Planning Committee be authorised to approve the draft response to the questions posed in the Productivity Commission's issues paper on local government funding and financing incorporating changes and comments made at Council's meeting on 31 January 2019.

Cr Rainey / Cr Ash. Carried

19 Receipt of Committee minutes and resolutions to be confirmed

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/026** **File Ref**

1 That the following minutes be received.

- Santoft Domain Management Committee, 5 December 2018
- Ratana Community Board, 11 December 2018
- Taihape Community Board, 12 December 2018
- Marton Community Committee, 12 December 2018.

Cr McManaway / Cr Belsham

20 Late items

Project Marton – Marton Harvest Festival

Resolved minute number **19/RDC/027** **File Ref** **3-OR-3-5**

That Council exempts Project Marton from (a) the hireage fees for Marton Park for the Marton Harvest Festival on 31 March 2019 and (b) exempts the erection of the marquee from requiring a building consent and waives the associated fees

Cr McManaway / Cr Aslett. Carried

21 Future Items for the Agenda

None

22 Next Meeting

28 February 2019 at 1.00 pm

23 Meeting Closed

12.20pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: