



Rangitikei District Council

Council Meeting

Minutes – Thursday 23 April 2020 – 9:30 a.m.

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Present:

- His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
- Cr Nigel Belsham
- Cr Cath Ash
- Cr Brian Carter
- Cr Fiona Dalgety
- Cr Gill Duncan
- Cr Jane Dunn
- Cr Angus Gordon
- Cr Richard Lambert
- Cr Waru Panapa
- Cr Dave Wilson

In attendance:

- Mr Peter Beggs, Chief Executive
- Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
- Ms Jo Devine, Group Manager, Finance and Business Support
- Mr Arno Benadie, Principal Advisor – Infrastructure
- Ms Carol Gordon, Manager – Executive Team
- Ms Bonnie Clayton, Governance Administrator

The meeting was conducted using Zoom.

1 Welcome

His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting at 9.32am.

2 Council Prayer

Council's Chief Executive, Mr Peter Beggs, read the Council Prayer.

3 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apology for absence of Cr Tracey Hiroa be received.

His Worship the Mayor/Cr Dunn. Carried

4 Extraordinary meeting

The commentary was noted in the agenda.

5 Local Government Funding Agency - Amendments to Borrowing Programme

Ms Devine took the report as read.

In response to a question, Ms Devine clarified that Rangitikei District Council is not a principal shareholder, therefore only listed as a borrower and that nothing has changed from a borrower's perspective. As a borrower, Rangitikei District Council was able to borrow up to \$20 million without being a guarantor for loans made to other borrowers.

This document has come to Council due to a small amendment to provide Council Controlled Organisations with the opportunity to apply for funding through the Local Government Funding Agency. Ms Devine had sought advice from Simpson Grierson prior to the meeting.

Resolved minute number **20/RDC/115** **File Ref** **5-FM-8-7**

That the memorandum 'Local Government Funding Agency – Amendments to Borrowing Programme' to the 23 April 2020 Council meeting be received.

Cr Dalgety/Cr Lambert. Carried

Resolved minute number **20/RDC/116** **File Ref**

That the Rangitikei District Council approve the amended borrowing programme proposed by the Local Government Funding Agency to come into effect from 1 July 2020.

Cr Belsham/ Cr Ash. Carried

Resolved minute number 20/RDC/117 File Ref

That to enable continuing participation in the Local Government Funding Agency, the Rangitikei District Council approve the signing for of the relevant Deeds of Amendment (by two elected representatives, being His Worship the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor) and of the section 118 certificate (by the Chief Executive).

Cr Dunn/Cr Duncan. Carried

Due to the nature of the Extraordinary meeting, His Worship the Mayor provided Elected Members the opportunity to ask any questions they may have.

A range of questions in regards to the Marton and Taihape water supply were asked.

In response Mr Benadie advised that there has been some rain, however not enough to make an impact on the Marton Dam or water levels in the Hautapu River. The water levels are checked weekly, with the next check being on 28 April 2020 (after the Anzac long weekend) when a decision will be made whether restrictions need to be lifted or not. In regards to repairs to the dam, a contractor has been appointed, this work is deemed essential emergency works and will commence from 28 April 2020. Mr Benadie communicates often with the user groups of the Marton Dam, and has a discussion booked for 24 April 2020 updating them if the upcoming works.

6 Next Meeting

His Worship the Mayor took the opportunity to thank staff, the community and Councillors during this time. There are a number of staff assisting with welfare matters and he gave his appreciation to them and the organisations who have assisted.

Thursday 30 April 2020, 1.00pm

7 Meeting Closed

9.54am

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: