



Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes – Wednesday 8 May 2019 – 4:05 pm

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Present: Mr John Gilbert, Chairperson

Mr Barry Thomas Mr Geoff Duncan Cr Angus Gordon

In Attendance: Mr Ashley Dahl, Finance Services Team Leader

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson Mr Dene Smith, Taihape Plumbing Mrs Dawn Hesketh, Administration Mrs Sheryl Srhoj, Administration

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 19/ERWS/006 File Ref

That the apologies from Mr Peter Batley, Mr Andrew van Bussel and Mr John Bird for absence be received.

Mr B Thomas/Mr G Duncan. Carried

3 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.

4 Confirmation of order of business

There was no change to the order of business.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 19/ERWS/007 File Ref

That the Minutes of the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting held on 13 February 2019 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr J Gilbert/Cr A Gordon. Carried

6 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

There were no recommendations made to the Council at the previous meeting.

7 Questions put at previous meeting for Council advice or action

There were no questions for Council advice or action at the previous meeting.

8 Erewhon Rural Water Supply – Financial Report

Mr Dahl spoke to the Financial Statements and undertook to answer member's queries.

There was a brief discussion on the need to have the water scheme maps updated.

Copies to be made available for viewing at the Taihape office. Mr Smith noted that Councils Utilities Asset Manager come up to update the renewals.

Resolved minute number 19/ERWS/008 File Ref

That the 'Erewhon Rural Water Supply – Financial report' dated 31 March 2019 be received.

Mr G Duncan/Mr B Thomas. Carried

9 Erewhon Rural Water Supply – Operations Report

Mr Smith advised that overall the scheme was operating really well.

He had cleaned the screens at the intake and had come up against a couple of issues due to air locks. This required the weir to be emptied as plugs had formed over the valves. It was suggested that a five yearly maintenance plan be put in place to check the valves.

Mr Smith noted that he had invited Mr Steedman to accompany him on his monthly check, however he did not hear back from Mr Steedman.

Resolved minute number 19/ERWS/009 File Ref

That the 'Operations report March 2019' be received.

Mr B Thomas/Mr G Duncan. Carried

10 Members questions/reports

As there were now funds available, the Committee were keen to get the process underway for the work on the Mangaohane Line replacement. They felt that this needed to be done before any major issues arose.

His Worship the Mayor outlined Councils Procurement Policy in regards to seeking tenders for this project.

It was agreed that on behalf of the Erewhon Rural Water Sub-Committee, Council's Operation Manager be asked to oversee the tender process and that an update be provided to the Committee's next meeting.

Resolved minute number 19/ERWS/010 File Ref

That the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee ask that Councils Operations Manager undertake the tender process for work on the Mangaohane Line replacement.

Mr B Thomas/Mr G Duncan. Carried

There was a brief discussion on who is responsible for payments of water unit if a property is leased out. All agreed that it rested with the property owner to chase up any late payments.

It was suggested that Council forward a letter to all scheme users asking that it be formally noted on any such lease agreements as to who is responsible for payment of water units and that a copy of the agreement be supplied to Council's Finance Team.

Resolved minute number 19/ERWS/ File Ref

That the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee ask that Council advise property owners of their expectation in regards to lease properties.

Mr B Thomas/Mr G Duncan. Carried

11 Next Meeting

The next meeting to be held 14 August 2019 at 4pm.

12 Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 4.46pm

Confirmed/Chair:						
Date:						