



Rangitikei District Council

Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 12 February 2020 - 4pm

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Present:

- Mr J. Gilbert, Chairperson
- Mr P Batley
- Mr J Bird
- Mr G Duncan
- Mr P McLaren
- Mr J Stratton
- His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
- Councillor Tracey Hiroa

In Attendance:

- Councillor Angus Gordon
- Mr A Dahl, Finance Services Team Leader
- Mr A Benadie, Principal Advisor - Infrastructure
- Mr D Smith, Taihape Plumbing
- Ms D Hesketh, Administration

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

That the apology for absence from Mr Andrew van Bussel be received.

Mr J Bird/Mr J Gilbert. 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	20/ERWS/001	File Ref	3-CT-1-3
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That the Minutes of the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting held on 7 August 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 Statements and Commentary for the 6 months ending 31st December 2019

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

There was some discussion regarding internal loan, depreciation and capital available.

Resolved minute number **20/ERWS/002** **File Ref**

That the 'Erewhon Rural Water Supply Financial Statements and Commentary for the 6 months ending 31st December 2019' to the 12 February 2020 Erewhon Rural Water Supply Committee be received.

Mr G Duncan/Mr P Batley. Carried

9 Operations Report – January 2020

Mr Smith advised that overall the scheme has been good over the last 2 months.

Batley's had no water the previous night due to a fitting blow up but this was resolved.

Generally there have been just a few little niggles.

Mr Smith requested clarification on how much water each farm on the scheme was allocated - Issue resolved by the Chair.

Resolved minute number **20/ERWS/003** **File Ref**

That the 'Operations Report – January 2020' to the 12 February 2020 Erewhon Rural Water Supply Committee be received.

Mr J Gilbert /Mr G Duncan. Carried

10 Members' questions/reports

Pukerimu – Mangaohane: a full survey of the area has taken place. Tenders are out for the replacement project and should be back within 4-6 weeks.

Members expressed concern over interruption of water supply if the weather wasn't suitable

Mr Benadie suggested employing the contractor, then make plans for a start. He doesn't want to postpone start date. Mr Smith suggested a lot of the work could be pre-done then the changeover could happen when the weather was suitable. He expressed concern over the cost if the work was postponed.

It was agreed once the contractor was employed a special meeting would be held to finalise contingency plans.

Members agreed there will be no rate increase at this time

Members were given a hard copy of the Erewhon Rural Water Scheme Telephone Tree

Resolved minute number **20/ERWS/004** **File Ref**

The Chairman has requested a letter to go to members explaining the rates and non-rate increase and information regarding the large project to be undertaken in the coming year.

Mr J Gilbert/ Mr P Batley. Carried

Undertaking **Subject**

Staff to organise a letter to be sent to Erewhon Rural Water Scheme users explaining current rates of the scheme and non-rate increase, along with information regarding the large project to be undertaken in the coming year.

11 Next Meeting

The next meeting to be held 13 May 2020 4.00pm.

12 Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 5.30pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: