



Rangitikei District Council

Huntermville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee Meeting

Minutes – Monday 12 October 2015 – 3:00 p.m.

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Present: Mr Bob Crawford (Chair)
Mr Mark Dawson
Mr Bernie Hughes
Mr Sam Weston
Cr Dean McManaway
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr George McIrvine, Finance and Business Support Group Manager
Mrs Joanna Saywell, Utilities Asset Manager
Mrs Priscilla Jeffrey, Governance Administrator

Tabled Item: **Item 9:** Report entitled 'Hunterville Rural Water Supply, Operations Report'
Document entitled 'Blackley Construction Limited Pricing Schedule'

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number **15/HRWS/023** **File Ref**

That apologies for absence from Mr Brett Journeaux be received.

Mr Hughes / Mr Weston. Carried

3 Notification of late items

Nil

4 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **15/HRWS/024** **File Ref**

That the minutes of the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting held on 10 August 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr McManaway / Mr Weston. Carried

5 Matters arising

Nil

6 Chair's report

In his verbal report the Chair commented on his communications with Mr Jack Henderson regarding power to his pump shed however not much progress had been made. Mr Henderson wanted to access more units than his current allocation, but it was difficult to get extra water to that location.

Resolved minute number **15/HRWS/025** **File Ref**

That the Chair's verbal report be received.

Mr Crawford / Cr McManaway. Carried

7 Correspondence

Nil

8 Financial report

Mr McIrvine spoke to the Year End Financial Statement. The major variance was over electricity, which had cost \$45,000 more than the budgeted \$130,000. It was unclear whether the new pumps were contributing to this. This would need to be considered in preparing the 2016/17 budget for the scheme. The deficit for the year was \$55,000.

Members were asked what information they wished to have. In discussion, there was a consensus for more in depth financial reporting, including –

- A comparison of financial results with those of last year,
- Detailed analysis on the electricity consumption,
- Comparison on the metered supply charges,
- Detailed analysis on the reserve funds.

Resolved minute number **15/HRWS/026** **File Ref**

That the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Financial Statement be received.

Mr Dawson / Mr Hughes. Carried

Undertaking **Subject** **Financial Report**

Mr McIrvine to provide to the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Subcommittee's next meeting [December 2015] more in-depth reporting on the electricity expenditure (comparison on the metered supply charges) and detailed analysis on the reserves funds at its next meeting.

9 Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations report

Mrs Saywell and Mr van Bussel spoke to the report.

Consideration was also given to the tabled Blackley Construction Limited's pricing schedule.

The Chair advised that he had made enquiry on the costing for the temporary repair to be undertaken at the Rata site and the amended pipe size for drilling under the river. Council staff had advised him this would cost between \$3,000 and \$5,000, pending on labour hours. However, this did not take into account the different size pipes required. A revised quote had not yet been obtained.

Mr van Bussel advised that the hardware and software upgrade was not fully completed because the contracted electrician had had an accident (elsewhere). Members looked for more detail at the next meeting. .

During discussion Mr McNeil gave a verbal update on the stage 2 application and potential implications of using an alternative water source as the town's supply. He talked about the options and the posed consequences of those options adding that these factors were still to be determined by way of a feasibility study. Before consultation was undertaken there were the 'what ifs' to be worked through. It could be that the bore water may not be of a standard acceptable for use. Testing on quantity and quality needed to be undertaken.

Resolved minute number **15/HRWS/027** **File Ref** **6-WS-3**

That the 'Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations report', dated October 2015 be received.

Mr Hughes / Mr McManaway. Carried

Undertaking **Subject** **Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations report**

Mr van Bussel to investigate and report back to the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Subcommittee's next meeting [December 2015] on

- a revised quote for an excavator to dig the trench for the Rata pipeline,
- the nature of the software and hardware upgrades, and how it has been funded, and
- the funding basis for the new roof.

10 General Business

Nil

11 Next meeting

14 December 2015, 3.00pm

12 Meeting closed – 4.09 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: