



Rangitikei District Council

Huntermville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee Meeting

Minutes – Monday 19 June 2017 – 3:00 PM

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Present: Mr Bob Crawford - Chair
Mr Brett Journeaux
Mr Bernie Hughes
Mr Sam Weston
Mr Paul Peterson
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

In attendance: Mr David Rei Miller, Asset Engineer – Roading and Utilities
Mr George McIrvine, Finance & Business Support Group Manager
Mr Andy Sargent, Financial Services
Mr Andrew van Bussel, Operations Manager – Utilities
Mr Ivan O'Reilly, Waste/Water Technician
Ms Linda Holman, Governance Administrator

1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 3:00pm. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number

That the apologies from Cr Dean McManaway, Mr Mark Dawson, and Mr John McManaway (for lateness) be received.

Mr B Hughes / Mr P Peterson. Carried

3 Members' conflict of interest

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda. No conflicts of interest were noted.

4 Confirmation of order of business

The matter of intake issues will be dealt with as a late item.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number	17/HRWS/011	File Ref	3-CT-3-2
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That the Minutes of the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting held on 3 April 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr B Journeaux / Mr B Hughes. Carried

6 Chair's Report

The Chair noted that Flat Hills have requested seven units of water but he does not think this is possible due to height and flow restrictions. Further, the Chair noted Rata Marae have paid their fees, and the reason for late payment was due to RD1 delivery issues. The other outstanding account Maraku Paiaka have repeatedly not paid and will be disconnected.

Resolved minute number	17/HRWS/012	File Ref
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That the Chair's Report to the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting on 19 June 2017 be received.

Chair / Mr B Journeaux. Carried

7 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee

The Committee noted that at the meeting on 27 April 2017 Council resolved (17/RDC/143) that the rate for the 2017-2018 financial year be set at \$285 including GST per unit as per recommendation 17/HRWS/009.

8 Council responses to queries raised at previous meetings

Mr Miller provided a verbal update to the meeting regarding ownership of the assets of the scheme. Mr Miller has spoken to various people involved in various water schemes, and found that at the inception of most schemes Government required Councils' involvement and stipulated that assets should be vested to the Councils. Conflicting legal opinions have been found, creating a lack of clarity around the issue. Mr Miller's conclusion is that, on balance, it appears that Council owns the assets. The Committee is happy to keep the status quo.

(The Mayor 3:17 / 3:25pm)

Resolved minute number **17/HRWS/013** **File Ref**

That the verbal update on the vesting of assets information made to the meeting on 19 June 2017 be received.

Mr P Peterson / Mr B Hughes. Carried

9 Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations Report

Mr van Bussel takes the report as read and spoke to the report. Discussion was held as to how much water goes across the Makohine Viaduct, whether there is an alternative route across, and whether it is better to just keep repairing the pipe instead of replacing it. Mr van Bussel confirmed that the Committee will be consulted before any decision is made to replace the pipe.

Resolved minute number **17/HRWS/014** **File Ref** 6-WS-3-4

That the 'Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations report' dated 1 June 2017 be received, and that maintenance costs for the Control Valves estimated at \$1,325.40 are agreed.

Mr B Journeaux / Mr S Weston. Carried

10 Financial Report – February 2017

(Mr van Bussel 3:30 / 3:41 pm)

Mr McIrvine took the financials as read and spoke to the report. Discussion was held regarding the percentage of consented water taken and the impact on infrastructure if a larger percentage was taken, and the impact of electricity prices on the unit costings.

Resolved minute number **17/HRWS/015** **File Ref** 3-CT-3-1

That the Financial Statements and corresponding commentary for the period ending 30 April 2017 be received.

Mr B Journeaux / Mr S Weston. Carried

11 Tutaenui Community Irrigation/Stock Water Scheme – update on pre-feasibility study

Mr Journeaux gave a verbal update and noted the low attendance at the last meeting. Progress is good, Mr Murray Robinson has completed the interviews and found 100% would take support it to the next stage. The next step is to finalise the engineering considerations.

(Mr Peterson left at 3:56pm)

Resolved minute number **17/HRWS/016** **File Ref**

That the verbal update on the pre-feasibility study for the Tutaenui Community Irrigation/Stock Water Scheme made to the meeting on 19 June 2017 be received.

Mr B Journeaux / Mr B Hughes. Carried

12 Options for management of the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Scheme

Discussion was held around the future of the scheme, including the current status of Hunterville township and the water scheme, permission, and funding.

Resolved minute number **17/HRWS/017** **File Ref** 6-WS-3-4

That the report 'Options for management of the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Scheme' be received and noted as (for the Council) constituting a review of delivery of services under section 17A of the Local Government Act 2002.

Chair / Mr B Hughes. Carried

Resolved minute number **17/HRWS/018** **File Ref** 6-WS-3-4

That the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Subcommittee recommends to Council that it continues the present arrangements to support the Scheme.

Mr B Journeaux / Mr S Weston. Carried

13 Late Items

Mr van Bussel noted the issues currently experienced at the intake site are being monitored, and he is investigating options for further filtering closer to the source of intake.

14 Next Meeting

Monday 7 August 2017, 3.00pm

15 Meeting dates for the rest of 2017

- 2 October
- 4 December

16 Meeting Closed

The Chair closed the meeting at 4:09pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____