

MINUTES

OMATANE RURAL WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 10 May 2022

Time: 3.00 pm

Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion
2 Kokako Street
Taihape

Present

Mr Lance Kelly
Mr Luke Bird
Mr Neil Gregory
Ms Ruth McKay
Mr Steven Ponsonby
Mrs Rachel Ponsonby
Cr Gill Duncan
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

Mr Arno Benadie, Chief Operating Officer
Mr Dave Tombs, Group Manager – Corporate Services
Ms Rochelle Baird, Community Services Officer
Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Waru Panapa

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1 Welcome

Mr Kelly welcomed everyone to the meeting and Cr Dave Wilson and Cr Waru Panapa introduced themselves to the committee.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/001

That the apologies from Mr Richard Law be accepted.

Mr N Gregory/Ms R McKay. Carried

3 Public Forum

No public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

No changes to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/002

That the minutes of the Omatane Rural Water Supply Management Committee meeting held on 20 April 2021, without amendment, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Ms R McKay/Cr G Duncan. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from previous Omatane Rural Water Supply Meetings

Mr van Bussel had sent an email stating that it is Councils responsibility to pay for the telementary and that the flow meter would be checked for calibration in the next two months.

Mr Kelly had previously asked if the scheme was a utility. His Worship the Mayor said he thought it would be highly unlikely. Mr Tombs said there was a charge under utilities that had since been reversed and believes that this is now resolved.

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/003

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from previous Omatane Rural Water Supply Meetings' be received.

Ms R McKay/Mr L Bird. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - May 2022

Mr Kelly read his report.

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/004

That the Chair's Report – May 2022 be received.

Cr G Duncan/Mr N Gregory. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 ORWS Financial Summary 2017 to 2021

Mr Tombs explained that he had simplified and summarised the last 5 years and asked the committee if there would be any future capital expenditure. Mr Kelly explained their scheme is simple and did not think there would be much in the future. Mr Gregory said the pipe was only supposed to last 18 years but had gone past that now. Mr Bird would like the scheme to keep a kitty and make the decision when it arises. Mr Gregory said it would be costly but they could raise the money then. Mr Kelly said the question is did the committee want a bigger savings in 5 years.

Mr Tombs suggested maintaining the bank balance and put the rates up to equal the rate increase of 7.29%. Mr Tombs explained the interest on a credit balance.

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/005

That the report 'Financial Summary 2017 to 2021' be received.

Mr L Bird/Cr G Duncan. Carried

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/006

That Members discuss 'general principles' that will apply to setting future years' rates increases.

Mr N Gregory/Mr L Bird. Carried

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/007

That Members confirm an appropriate model for applying Interest on its notional bank surplus/deficit.

Mr L Bird/Ms R McKay. Carried

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/008

That the Committee proposes a rate of \$78.15 per cubic metre for the 2022/23 financial year.

Mr L Kelly/Ms R McKay. Carried

9.2 Omatane RWS Expenses 2020/21

Mr Tombs explained the operating expenses.

Resolved minute number 22/ORWS/009

That the report 'Omatane RWS Expenses 2020/21' be received.

Mr L Kelly/Ms R McKay. Carried

10 Discussion

10.1 Discussion

Mr Kelly said that he had the link for Horizons for the telementary if anyone wanted it and found the Horizons read was better as it is real time in comparison to the Council one which is delayed.

Mr Bird asked about the 3 waters and the affect it could have on the scheme. His worship the Mayor said it is very likely that it would go through and said there is a rural working group for the rural schemes and they are looking at making the schemes exempt unless the water is used for households.

Ms McKay suggested to show the new members around the scheme.

10.2 Next Meeting

The next meeting be held Tuesday, 11 April 2023.

The meeting closed at 3.58 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Omatane Rural Water Supply Management Sub-Committee held on 11 April 2023.

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Chairperson