



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL
Ordinary Meeting
Minutes from 20 November 2019**

Present:	Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair), Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms, Councillors Pam Colenso, Rebecca Fox, Leigh Hay, Brian Jephson, Pip Maynard, Alistair Plimmer, and Brenda West (until 2:00pm).
In Attendance:	Harry Wilson (Chief Executive Officer), Jennie Mitchell (Group Manager Corporate Support), Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment), Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor) and for part only Ian McSherry (Wellington Water).
Conduct of Business:	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 10:00am and 2:10pm.
Forum and Other Presenters:	Jenny Boyne (Tuturumuri Hall Society), Warren Woodgyer and Daphne Geisler.

Open Section

A1. Affirmation

Cr Colenso read the Council affirmation.

A2. Apologies

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/168) to accept apologies from Cr Ross Vickery.

(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Hay)

Carried

A3. Conflicts of Interest

Cr Rebecca Fox worked with Wellington Water to ensure that staff were enrolled in appropriate training. Cr Fox did not have any governance oversight and did not believe she had a conflict of interest that would stop her participating in debate at this meeting.

A4. Acknowledgements and Tributes

There were no acknowledgements or tributes.

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A5. Public Participation

Mrs Boyne outlined the nature of the Tukurumuri Hall Society application for financial assistance and requested that Council support the application.

Mr Woodgyer queried details relating to the waiver of reserve contributions from the Orchards Retirement Village development given Greytown's need for more green space. Mr Woodgyer believed a traffic problem in Cotter Street still existed, did not believe additional speed bumps solved the problem, and further action was requested.

Mrs Geisler did not believe there was adequate supporting information available for the public to enable an informed comment on the stop and sale of legal road in East Street, Greytown. Mrs Geisler queried how the sale price was arrived at and whether precedent would be set by the method used. Mrs Geisler requested that future notices be supported with full information that is available at public request.

A7. Actions

COUNCIL NOTED:

1. Action 230: Provide a briefing to the Assets and Services Committee on Cotter Street issues, what has been done to address issues, and whether there are further opportunities to provide interventions; H Wilson
2. Action 231: Provide an update to the Assets and Services Committee on the state of the Pensioner Housing asset; H Wilson
3. Action 232: Distribute the response to Mrs Geisler's submitted questions on roading boundaries and public availability of information to councillors; R O'Leary

A8. Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

A9. Minutes for Confirmation

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/169) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 October 2019 (first meeting of the triennium) are a true and correct record subject to the correction of a paragraph in section G1 as follows:

Mr Shepherd nominated Ms Bleakley to the position of ~~Martinborough~~ Featherston Community Board Deputy Chair.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/170) that the minutes of the extraordinary Council meeting held on 30 October 2019 are a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

A10. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

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B Decision Reports from Chief Executive and Staff

For minuting purposes decisions are recorded as per the order in the agenda.

B1. Dog Control Policy and Practices Report 2018/2019

Council officers discussed the compliance report and undertook to provide members additional information on disqualified dog owners.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/171):

1. To receive the Dog Control Policy and Practices Report for 2018/2019.
(*Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Cr West*) Carried
2. To pursuant to Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996, the attached report (Appendix 1) on Dog Control Policy and Practices for 2018/19 be adopted.
3. That officers be authorised to publicly notify the report and forward it to the Secretary of Local Government.
(*Moved Cr Emms/Seconded Cr Hay*) Carried
4. Action 233: Send an email to the Mayor and councillors clarifying numbers of disqualified dog owners in the South Wairarapa; R O'Leary

B2. Delegations to Chief Executive to Appoint Officers

Mr Wilson discussed the report and answered questions on the delegations and enforcement reporting mechanisms.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/172):

1. To receive the Delegations to Chief Executive Report.
(*Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Jephson*) Carried
2. To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to appoint officers to act on behalf of South Wairarapa District Council to exercise powers and functions as detailed in Table 1.
(*Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Cr Fox*) Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:15am.

The meeting reconvened at 11:35am.

B3. Private Plan Change Request for Rezoning Land from Rural to Residential Zoning: The Orchards Retirement Village 67 Reading St, 31 Market Rd, Greytown – Independent Hearings Commissioner Recommendation

Mr Wilson outlined the responsibilities of the independent commissioner, that mediation had been requested by the commissioner to cover the matter of financial contributions, and that waivers were consistent with Council policy.

Mr Wilson answered questions relating to the capacity of wastewater, water and stormwater systems, and confirmed that Greytown's wastewater systems had sufficient capacity for this development as well as other known developments and that the applicant will contribute to the cost of increasing future network capacity.

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COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/173):

1. To receive the Private Plan Change Request for Rezoning Land from Rural to Residential Zoning: The Orchards Retirement Village 67 Reading St, 31 Market Rd, Greytown – Independent Hearings Commissioner Recommendation Report.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Colenso) Carried

2. To receive the recommendation of the Independent Hearings Commissioner on the Plan Change for the Orchards Retirement Village, and
3. To adopt the recommendation of the Independent Hearings Commissioner as a Council decision and direct officers to notify the decision in accordance with the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.

(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay) Carried

B4. Application for Funding

Members discussed the application for financial assistance noting Council officer's advice to remain within budget. Suggestions of alternative funding streams would be advised to the applicant.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/174):

1. To receive the Application for Grant Funding Report.

(Moved Cr Hay/Seconded Cr Plimmer) Carried

2. To grant Tuturumuri Hall Society \$2,000 to help cover legal costs associated with the land transfer that the Hall sits on from Greater Wellington Regional Council to the Society.

(Moved Cr Hay/Seconded Cr Colenso) Carried

B5. Adoption of the 2020 Schedule of Ordinary Meetings

Members discussed the meeting schedule options and selected option two as this option had limited meetings scheduled during the school holidays.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/175):

1. To receive the Adoption of the 2020 Schedule of Ordinary Meetings Report.

(Moved Cr West/Seconded Cr Hay) Carried

2. To adopt Option two of the 2020 schedule of ordinary meetings for Council, community boards and committees.

3. To delegate to the Chief Executive the authority to alter the schedule of ordinary meetings following consultation with the Chair.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Maynard) Carried

B6. Update on Local Government Members Determination

Ms Mitchell discussed the childcare allowance, the community board communications allowance proposal, and options for elected member remuneration with members.

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COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/176):

1. To receive the Update on Local Government Members Determination 2019 Report.
(Moved Cr Colenso/Seconded Cr Hay) Carried
2. To note the information regarding the Childcare Allowance.
3. To agree to pay a partial communication allowance to community board members at a rate of \$400.00p.a. per community board member for the 2019/20 financial year and an additional \$100 p.a. for community board chairs, noting that this expenditure was not budgeted.
4. To agree to amend A300 Remuneration Policy – Elected Members to reflect payment of a communication allowance to community board members and other remuneration changes.
5. To note that the community board communication allowance would not be paid from the community board budget for the 19/20 year.
(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Cr West) Carried
6. To agree that the councillor remuneration pool of \$75,179 p.a. will be split as follows:

Deputy Mayor	\$7,000 p.a.
Committee Chairs	\$2,300 p.a.
Committee members (per committee)	\$1,600 p.a.
Councillor community board members	\$1,500 p.a.
Councillor Māori Standing Committee members	\$1,500 p.a.
Members of joint working parties (per working party)	\$ 689 p.a.
Councillors carrying out Hearings Committee training	\$1,000 for the year in which training is carried out.

(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay) Carried
7. To agree that councillor roles and remuneration for roles will be reviewed annually for this triennium.
8. To note that the final remuneration per councillor amounts may be subject to Council decision on appointments.
(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr West) Carried

B7. Compliance with Drinking Water Standards Report

Mr Wilson outlined the background and circumstances leading to the report requesting additional funding for the Greytown and Pirinoa water supply systems. Mr Wilson answered members questions on the timeline of the Greytown interim and final solution, what the interim solution investment covered, ability for the solution to meet demand, robustness of the solution, risk management and quality control in the interim, public communication, use of the infrastructure reserve fund to fund the work, water sampling results and compliance with members.

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COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/177):

1. To receive the Compliance with Drinking Water Standards Report.
(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Colenso) Carried
2. To note the compliance of status of our water supplies for FY2018/19, and that urgent work is needed to achieve compliance and provide safe drinking water.
3. To approve additional funding of \$500,000 for the 2019/20 financial year for urgent work needed to improve treatment plant performance generally (including interim improvements at Memorial Park, Greytown and improvements to the Pirinoa water supply), to complete detailed design work for permanent improvements needed at Memorial Park, and to commence the permanent improvement work required.
4. To note that the cost of permanent improvement work needed at Memorial Park, Greytown, is to be confirmed following completion of design work, and the permanent improvement work will extend into FY 2020/21.
(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Jephson) Carried

E Chairperson's Report

E1. Report from His Worship the Mayor

Mayor Beijen aimed to simplify the Council structure and make it as transparent as possible. Members discussed the importance of ensuring youth and local community issues were considered at the governance level. Mayor Beijen agreed to review the structure to ensure that the functions of the Community Safety and Resilience Working Party had been incorporated into the new committee structure. Some concern was expressed at the appointment of Cr Emms to the Water Race Subcommittee due to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Beijen left the meeting at 1:27pm.

Deputy Mayor Emms assumed the Chair, adjourned the meeting for lunch at 1:27pm and then vacated the Chair.

The meeting reconvened at 2:00pm.

Cr West left the meeting at 2:00pm.

Mayor Beijen assumed the Chair.

Cr Emms withdraw his availability for appointment to the Water Race Subcommittee. Councillors noted that the vacancy would be filled as per the Terms of Reference.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2019/178):

1. To receive the Mayoral Appointments Report.
(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Emms) Carried
2. To adopt system A as outlined in clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) for the election of committee chairs not appointed under s41A of the LGA for the 19-22 triennium.
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Hay) Carried

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3. To endorse the community board recommendation appointments and appoint Cr Pam Colenso and Cr Pip Maynard to the Martinborough Community Board.
4. To endorse the community board recommendation appointments and appoint Cr Ross Vickery and Cr Garrick Emms to the Featherston Community Board.
5. To endorse the community board recommendation appointments and appoint Cr Rebecca Fox and Cr Alistair Plimmer to the Greytown Community Board.
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr West) Carried
6. To make an external appointment of Colin Olds to the Water Race Subcommittee as Chair, and external member appointments of Jim Hedley, Justine Thorpe, Paul Harvey, Frank van Steensel and one other member appointed in accordance with the TOR.
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Maynard) Carried
7. Notes the appointment of Cr Rebecca Fox to the Water Race Subcommittee to oversee Council interests in current and future consents and that the TOR will be amended to reflect this.
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Maynard) Carried
8. To appoint the following external members to the Māori Standing Committee: Raihānia Tipoki (Hau Ariki Marae), Nathan Maynard (Hau Ariki Marae), Terry Te Maari (Kohunui Marae), Teresa Aporo (Kohunui Marae), Narida Hooper (Pae Tu Mokai o Tauira), Karen Mikaera (Pae Tu Mokai o Tauira), and Wayne Pitau (Rangitane o Wairarapa).
(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Cr Colenso) Carried
9. To endorse the recommendations and makes appointments to joint Wairarapa committees/working groups, joint regional committees/groups, GWRC committees and other appointments as outlined in Appendix 2.
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Colenso) Carried
10. To endorse the recommendation and make an external appointment of Clive Paton to Pukaha to Palliser.
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Emms) Carried
11. To adopt the Wellington Water Committee Terms of Reference and appoint Mayor Beijen and Garrick Emms (alternate) to the Wellington Water Committee.
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Colenso) Carried
12. Action 234: Review how Council is incorporating well beings into decision making (i.e. investing in social wellbeing) and what the best mechanism is for ensuring that wellbeing issues and concerns are considered; H Wilson
13. Action 235: Review and discuss with councillors the option of placing councillors in portfolios as an alternative to the created structure; H Wilson

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