



SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

3 June 2015

Present: Mayor Adrienne Staples (chair), Councillors Margaret Craig, Dean Davies, Brian Jephson, David Montgomerie, Viv Napier, Colin Olds, Julie Riddell, Solitaire Robertson and Max Stevens.

In Attendance: Murray Buchanan (Planning and Environment Group Manager), Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary) and for part only Tim Langley (Roading Manager).

Also in Attendance: Hayley Gastmeier (Wairarapa Times Age).

Conduct of Business: The meeting was held in the South Wairarapa District Council Chambers at 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 9:30am and 11:30am except where expressly noted.

A Preliminary Matters

Councillors agreed to consider tabled correspondence from Workforce Development Trust which required a funding agreement in principal from Council.

A1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

A2. Conflicts of Interest

Cr Montgomerie declared a conflict of interest with agenda item C6 Rates Remission for Cobblestones Museum as he is Council's appointed representative to the Museum.

A3. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

A4. Minutes for Confirmation

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/77) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 22 April 2015 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

A5. Minutes for Confirmation

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/78) that the minutes of the extraordinary Council meeting held on 1 May 2015 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

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A6. Minutes for Confirmation

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/79):

1. That the public excluded Council minutes of 22 April 2015 be heard in public.
2. That the minutes of the public excluded Council meeting held on 22 April 2015 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

A7. District Council Actions

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/80) to receive the District Council Action Items.

(Moved Cr Montgomerie/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

B Council Committee and Community Board Minutes

B1. Policy and Finance Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/81) to receive the minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee 22 April 2015.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Riddell)

Carried

B2. Martinborough Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/82) to receive the minutes of the Martinborough Community Board 11 May 2015.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

B3. Featherston Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/83) to receive the minutes of the Featherston Community Board 12 May 2015.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

B4. Greytown Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/84) to receive the minutes of the Greytown Community Board 13 May 2015.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

B5. Maori Standing Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/85) to receive the minutes of the Maori Standing Committee 4 May 2015.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Riddell)

Carried

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C Decision Papers and Common Seal

C1. Execution of Common Seal

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/86):

1. To receive the information.
2. To ratify the affixation of the Common Seal to the following:
 - a. A contract agreement between Kenneth James Ryan and Nina Celeste Kyle and South Wairarapa District Council dated 15 April 2015 for the lease of Council land at Greytown Campground (Recreation Reserve).

(Moved Cr Montgomerie/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

C2. Pain Farm Trust Lands Income Distribution

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/87):

1. To receive the information.
2. To approve expenditure from Pain Farm to the amount of \$5,060.47 including GST for an inflatable slide and blower for Martinborough Pool as recommended by Martinborough Community Board Resolution MCB2013/69.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Stevens)

Carried

C3. Self-Contained Campers at Coronation Park Martinborough

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/88):

1. To receive the information.
2. That the paper is referred to the Martinborough Community Board for input and a recommendation before any decision is made.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

3. Action 354: Withhold approval of the renewal of the camping ground exemption permission given to Martinborough Rugby Club until further consideration of the provision of a POP site has been undertaken by the Martinborough Community Board and Council; M Buchanan

C4. Featherston Town Square

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/89):

1. To receive the information.
2. To proceed with the Town Square development subject to final design and costings.
3. To delegate to the Town Square Working Party the ability to sign off any changes recommended as a result of the feedback.

(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Olds)

Carried

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C5. Sale of Land (or Lease) Featherston Town Centre

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/90):

1. To receive the information.
2. To agree that the land is not a strategic asset.
3. To approve the sale or lease of part of Lot 2 DP 471153.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Riddell)

Carried

4. Action 355: Request that the real estate advertising sign on the Featherston Town Square property is corrected to show that expressions of interest for sale or lease are being accepted; Mayor Staples

C6. Rates Remission

Councillors noted that the value of the rates remission needed to be considered as part of Cobblestones grant funding when deliberating LTP submissions.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/91):

1. To receive the information.
2. To remit 50% of Cobblestones rates.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Stevens)

Carried

C7. Waihinga Centre

Councillors agreed to hold this agenda item over as a decision on funding from the Lotteries Commission hadn't been notified, and consequently a report with recommendations for consideration was unable to be presented. Cr Stevens reported that community funding was continuing and \$1.4m from a target of \$1.5m had now been achieved.

D Operational Reports

D1. Planning and Environment Group Report

The Group Manager Planning and Environment discussed matters relating to dog control, including the administrative correction required to the fees and charges schedule, and residential tenancing of a commercial building in Featherston with councillors.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/92):

1. To receive the information.
2. To correct the administrative error contained in Appendix 1 to the report titled "Fees and Charges Report to Council 2015" considered at the April Council meeting as follows:
 - a. Delete the words "Flat fee for 10 plus Rural Dogs plus \$20 per additional dog" and then substitute the following words in the table "**Flat fee for up to 10 rural dogs plus \$20 per additional dog**"; and
 - b. Delete the words "Late fee for 5 plus Rural Dogs plus \$30 per dog" and then substitute the following words in the table "**Late flat fee for up to 10 rural dogs plus \$30 per additional dog**".

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

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D2. Infrastructure and Services Group Report

Councillors thanked Council staff for organising Anzac Day celebrations and for ensuring that Council property looked tidy and maintained.

Council's Roading Manager discussed the recent damage to Cape Palliser Road with councillors noting the damage estimate to reinstate the road was \$300k-\$400k. The ability to issue dangerous road warnings or close the road was also discussed.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/93):

1. To receive the Infrastructure and Services Group Report.
(*Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Olds*) Carried
2. Action 356: Discuss with the Waste Minimisation Officer strategies to reduce solid waste as an increase has been observed; M Allingham
3. Action 357: Determine the potential cost to Council of delivering the summer reading programme at the same level as preceding years given the reduction in funding from Eastern and Central Community Trust; M Allingham

D3. Chief Executive Officer Report

Councillors discussed rates arrears and penalties noting that the maximum penalty that can be applied is 10%.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/94):

1. To receive the Chief Executive Officer Report.
(*Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Stevens*) Carried
2. Action 358: Undertake some analysis on rates arrears categorising by property type (commercial, rural, urban) and location; P Crimp

E Representation Reports

E1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Staples tabled correspondence from the Wairarapa Workforce Development Trust and the NZ Geographic Board.

Councillors agreed in principal to financially support the Wairarapa apprentice and industry trainee graduations and to forward the correspondence through the LTP process.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/95):

1. To receive the Mayor's Report.
2. Not to make a submission to the NZ Geographic Board regarding the Remutaka Pass proposal.
(*Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Stevens*) Carried
3. Action 365: Prepare a report for community board feedback that gives consideration to additional responsibilities and delegations; Mayor Staples

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/96) to approve Cr Colin Olds attendance at the 2015 LGNZ conference.

(*Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Napier*) Carried

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E2. Reports from Councillors

Cr Craig

Wairarapa Road Safety Council, Wellington Region Waste Forum

Cr Craig was unable to attend the Wellington Regional Waste Forum meeting due to flooding in Wellington.

Cr Montgomerie

Cobblestones Museum, Economic Development Task Group

Cr Montgomerie reported that improvements to the Cobblestones Museum complex were ongoing and that an Economic Development Task Group meeting was planned for late June 2015.

Cr Napier

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund, South Wairarapa Safer Community Trust

Cr Napier reported that she had been delegated responsibility for overseeing financials for South Wairarapa Safer Community Trust.

Cr Robertson

South Wairarapa Arts Council

Minutes were included in Council papers and Cr Robertson said the Assessment Committee were funding for success i.e. at a level which ensured successful delivery of a project.

Cr Stevens

Wairarapa Rural Fire Board

Cr Stevens tabled a written report as an update from a meeting held on the 26 May 2015. Cr Stevens discussed rural fire funding and recovery of costs with councillors.

Cr Olds

Featherston Fell Heritage Museum

Cr Olds resigned as councillor representative of the Featherston Fell Heritage Museum as meeting invitations weren't being extended to him.

E3. Council Groups and Working Parties

Community Safety and Resilience Working Party

Cr Riddell's report was included in the Council papers.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/97) to receive councillor reports, including tabled reports.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Montgomerie)

Carried

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E4. Council Appointments

Destination Wairarapa

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/98) to receive the report from Destination Wairarapa.

(Moved Cr Olds/Seconded Cr Riddell)

Carried

D4. GWRC Advisory Committees

Waiohine Floodplain Management Planning Advisory Committee

Cr Napier noted farmers concern about the high level of funds in the flood reserve account and rates increases. A meeting was scheduled for the 10 June 2015.

Lower Valley Development Scheme Advisory Committee

Cr Jephson reported that a meeting was scheduled for the 12 June 2015.

Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Co-ordinating Committee

Cr Olds had circulated minutes to councillors and reported that the Committee had attended the Akura Conservation Centre 30th birthday celebrations. Cr Olds noted farmers concern about Ramsar with regards to accidental events on the lake edge leading to prosecution in the environment court and a subsequent criminal conviction record.

Whaitua Committee

Cr Olds reported a meeting was scheduled for 8 June 2015. The Committee focus was preparation for community engagement with modelling and recommendations being prepared. February 2016 was the target for inclusion in the Regional Plan. Councillors queried what level of formal public consultation was planned and Cr Olds undertook to seek clarification.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2015/99) to receive reports from GWRC advisory committees.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

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