



Maori Standing Committee

Minutes 13 June 2016

- Present:** Michael Roera (chair), Terry Te Maari, Horipo Rimene, Amiria Te Whaiti, Reuben Tipoki, Cr Brian Jephson and Cr Solitaire Robertson.
- In Attendance:** Mayor Adrienne Staples, Paul Crimp (Chief Executive Officer) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Also in Attendance:** Kay Baxter and Erica Sefton (Local Government Commission).
- Conduct of Business:** The above attendees gathered in the South Wairarapa District Council Chambers, 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough. The meeting was conducted in public between 6:30pm and 8:30pm.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Ms Te Whaiti opened with a karakia.

Mr Roera gave a mihi whakatau to representatives from the Local Government Commission.

Ms Baxter thanked members for the welcome and stated that the Commission were attending the meeting as observers by invitation.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS

There was no public participation.

3. MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

3.1 Maori Standing Committee Minutes – 2 May 2016

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2016/18) that the minutes of 2 May 2016 were a true and correct record subject to the correction of point 2 of resolution MSC2016/15 from:

1. To recommend to Rangitane that Reuben Tipoki be appointed as the iwi representative for the Greytown and Martinborough Waste Water Treatment Plan (WWTP) Community Liaison Group and the Longwood/Moroa Water Race Users Group.

to:

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2. To recommend that Reuben Tipoki be appointed as the potential iwi representative for the Greytown and Martinborough Waste Water Treatment Plan (WWTP) Community Liaison Groups subject to approval from both iwi.

(Moved Te Maari/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

Horipo Rimene abstained from the vote.

4. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

4.1 Officers' Report

Mr Crimp discussed Council staffing in relation to filling vacancies with possible amalgamation on the horizon, solid waste trends and disposal options with members.

Mr Crimp undertook to ensure that all requests for MSC representatives on committees/working groups are accompanied with a committee terms of reference that explains the groups purpose and the role of members

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2016/19):

1. To receive the information.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Te Maari)

Carried

2. Action 364: Liaise with Amiria Te Whaiti about how to incorporate Te Reo into the district libraries; M Allingham

4.2 Cape Palliser Coastal Trail Signage

Mr Tipoki updated members on progress and outlined potential sign sites. Writing the stories in Te Reo as well as in the English language was discussed. Mr Crimp confirmed that budget for 3-4 signs was available in the 16/17 year. Placement of signs would be subject to resource consent approval.

5. PROPOSED WAKA REPATRIATION

5.1 Wairarapa Waka Repatriation

Mayor Staples discussed the Aratoi waka repatriation proposal with members.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2016/20) to support the Aratoi proposal to repatriate the Wairarapa waka from Te Papa until, subject to owner approval, the South Wairarapa has the ability to house the waka.

(Moved Tipoki/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

Mr Roera discussed a request from Arbor House for names of kaumatua who would be prepared to cleanse rooms following a resident's death. Members undertook to discuss this request with their Marae.

Ms Te Whaiti queried whether Council had a Maori cultural adviser on staff and the process for establishing the position. Mayor Staples responded that small councils

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had budget constraints and any needed advice was sought from either the MSC or knowledgeable individuals.

Mr Tipoki outlined plans for a Matariki celebration in Pirinoa and requested financial assistance from Council. Mr Tipoki undertook to apply for financial assistance from Council via email.

Mr Roera welcomed the LGC to the meeting and Ms Baxter outlined progress and explained the public engagement process.

Mr Roera spoke in support of Mayor Staples standing as the Greater Wellington Regional Council Wairarapa representative.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2016/21) to write to Kahungunu ki Wairarapa requesting they appoint a representative to the South Wairarapa District Council Maori Standing Committee with some urgency.

(Moved Roera/Seconded Te Maari)

Carried

MSC NOTED:

1. Action 365: Correct the pronunciation of ‘Wairarapa’ on Council’s answerphone message; P Crimp

Mr Tipoki closed with a karakia.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....**Chairperson**

.....**Date**

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