



Maori Standing Committee

Minutes 23 March 2015

- Present:** Michael Roera, Horipo Rimene, Terry Te Maari, Rutu Namana and Cr Solitaire Robertson.
- In Attendance:** Mayor Adrienne Staples, Paul Crimp (Chief Executive Officer) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- 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 6:00pm and 8:10pm except where expressly noted.
- In Attendance:** Mayor Lyn Patterson (Masterton District Council) and Mayor John Booth (Carterton District Council).

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Mr Namana opened the meeting with karakia.

1. APOLOGIES

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/11) to receive apologies from John Rutene and Cr Brian Jephson.

(Moved Te Maari/Seconded Namana)

Carried

2. WELCOME TO GUESTS

Mr Roera welcomed Mayor Lyn Patterson and Mayor John Booth to the meeting.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

4. MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

4.1 Maori Standing Committee Minutes – 9 February 2015

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/12) that the minutes of the Maori Standing Committee 9 February 2015 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Roera)

Carried

4.2 Matters arising

In reference to the proposal from the Remutaka Pass Coordinating Group, members clarified that the spelling correction of Rimutaka to Remutaka was more important than whether the road was known as a Hill or a Pass.

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4.3 Action items

Members discussed the action items.

5. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

5.1 Officers' Report

There were no financial statements to receive and Mr Crimp asked that the recommendation to receive them was rescinded. Members discussed felling of totara trees by a district farmer.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/13):

1. To receive the Officers' Report.

(Moved Te Maari/Seconded Namana)

Carried

2. Action 166: Provide a map of protected trees in the Papawai area to MSC members and determine the protected status of single versus stands of native totara; M Buchanan

5.2 South Wairarapa District Council Maori Policy

Members discussed the concept of local marae governance and the desire to see one united Wairarapa standing committee.

Mayor Patterson briefed the Committee on a meeting held at Te Ore Ore Marae and the desire of Masterton District Council to have better engagement with Maori at a leadership level.

Mayor Booth welcomed the opportunity to discuss Maori engagement and noted that future local governance arrangements shouldn't stop the district developing a stronger relationship with Maori.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/14):

1. To receive the information.
2. To ratify the Maori Policy and recommend its adoption to Council with the following amendment:
 - a. Insert an additional note regarding an agreement in principle treaty settlement between Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and the crown, but that it may not be completed during the long term planning process.

(Moved Te Maari/Seconded Rimene)

Carried

3. Action 167: Call a hui with Wairarapa Marae to discuss combined Wairarapa Maori governance; M Roera

5.3 Long Term Plan Feedback

The top five previously identified key issues for Maori are itemised on page 9 of the 2012/2022 LTP, Mr Crimp noted that funding in kind would continue to be carried forward and for members to advise other key issues within three weeks.

6. MEMBER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- 6.1 Endorsement of MSC NZ Petroleum & Minerals Submission for lodgement

Members noted a 20 day extension had been granted and that the application request was a multi iwi issue.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/15) to oppose prospecting permit application 56365 for the reasons as outlined in the submission.

(Moved Roera/Seconded Namana)

Carried

7. SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT

- 7.1 R and K Senior (150015)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/16) to receive the information and make no comment.

(Moved Te Maari/Seconded Namana)

Carried

- 7.2 Walker and Turner (150022)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/17):

1. To receive the information.
2. That the proposed advice notes become consent conditions rather than advice notes only.

(Moved Te Maari/Seconded Rimene)

Carried

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/18) to decline the applicants request to remove the 20m esplanade strip from the consent conditions.

(Moved Namana/Seconded Te Maari)

Carried

- 7.3 Phelps Family Trust

There were serious concerns raised about this subdivision and members undertook to seek advice from appropriate kaumatua noting that changes to consent conditions may need to be made for approval to be granted.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- 8.1 Inwards

From Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, to Maori Standing Committee dated 5 February 2015

From Renae Rose, Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, to Maori Standing Committee, dated 26 February 2015

From Danielle SieuOu, Department of Internal Affairs, to Michael Roera, Maori Standing Committee dated 27 February 2015

Councillor Report from Cr Julie Riddell, chair Community Safety and Resilience Working Party, circulated to Maori Standing Committee dated 25 February 2015

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From Jan Eagle to Maori Standing Committee received 23 March 2015 (tabled)

8.2 Outwards

From Michael Roera, Maori Standing Committee, to Local Government Commission

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/19) to receive the inwards (including tabled) and outwards correspondence.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Namana)

Carried

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2015/20) to write a letter of support for a kouka tree sculpture to be placed in Stella Bull Park.

(Moved Te Maari/Seconded Namana)

Carried

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 Mapuna Atea Farm

Mr Te Maari discussed the proposed sale of a dairy farm that was gifted to the Maori Education Foundation. The profit was intended to assist with the education of Wairarapa Maori.

9.2 Protected Tree Soldiers Memorial Park

Council officers were to advise Papawai Marae when the tree in Soldiers Memorial Park was scheduled for felling so members could be present.

Cr Robertson thanked the Committee for their submission presentation to the Local Government Commission.

Mayors Patterson and Booth thanked the Committee for the meeting invitation.

Mr Namana closed the meeting with karakia.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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