



SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Public Excluded

19 September 2018

- Present:** Deputy Mayor Brian Jephson (Chair), Councillors Lee Carter, Margaret Craig, Pam Colenso, Pip Maynard, Colin Olds, Ross Vickery, Colin Wright and Paora Ammunson.
- In Attendance:** Paul Crimp (Chief Executive Officer) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary) and for part only Mark Allingham (Group Manager Infrastructure and Services).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the Kiwi Hall, 62 Bell Street Featherston and was conducted in public between 3:30pm and 4:05pm except where expressly noted.

Open Section

A2. Apologies

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2018/99) to accept apologies from Mayor Napier and Mr Tipoki.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

H1. Purchase of Land

Members discussed whether the report should be considered in the public forum and whether the principle of availability as per section 5 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act was being adhered to given there was no evidence of negotiations occurring. Mr Crimp considered that the material to be debated and subsequent decision could have a significant positive or negative effect on the process and outcomes if heard in public.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2018/140) that the public be excluded from the following part of the meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Report/General Subject Matter	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this Resolution
Purchase of Land	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7(2)(i)	Section 48(1)(a)

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This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to the matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this Resolution
i) enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	Section 7(2)(i)

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Colenso)

Carried

Cr Vickery voted against the motion.

Cr Carter voted against the motion.

Cr Maynard abstained.

H Public Excluded

H1. Purchase of Land

Mr Crimp had prepared the report at the request of elected members to enable sufficient information on whether a tender for purchase should be submitted for the Featherston Golf Club land.

Points discussed included:

- That an option to lease the Golf Club land was not presented as it had already been discounted in discussion with the Featherston Golf Club as not feasible due to the increased costs of maintaining a highly fertilised grass course once irrigation of treated wastewater started.
- That due to time constraints only a desktop study of suitability for wastewater irrigation could be completed and that although consultants could start an onsite geotechnical study immediately, they could not provide full analysis of suitability prior to the tender process closing.
- That findings from the desktop study showed that the Golf Club land was suitable, however it was not of the same quality as the north eastern block of the 'Hodder' land. Mr Crimp verbally updated the Council that for every 1ha of land currently designated for Featherston wastewater irrigation, 2.5ha of land would be required at the Featherston Golf Club site. If the land was purchased, some of the existing block would still need to be retained.
- That a separate resource consent would be required to irrigate to the Featherston Golf Club land.
- Removing trees on the Featherston Golf Club land so it was suitable for irrigation and mitigating groundwater bore potable water contamination had not been costed.

Notwithstanding the points above, members considered that purchasing the Featherston Golf Club land kept all options open and provided future proofing possibilities with excess land able to be sold at a later date.

Cr Craig left the meeting at 4:01pm.

Cr Craig returned to the meeting at 4:03pm.

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COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2018/141)PE:

1. To receive the Featherston Golf Club Land Report.
2. That Council submit a tender for the Golf Club Land at 5% above valuation.
(Moved Cr Wright/Seconded Cr Vickery) Carried
Cr Carter abstained.
3. That should the tender be successful funding would be via loan through the
wastewater rate.
(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Olds) Carried
Cr Carter abstained.
4. That any excess Featherston wastewater land that is surplus is sold as soon as
possible.
(Moved Cr Wright/Seconded Cr Vickery) Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2018/142) to come out of public excluded business.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Ammunson) Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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