



SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

31 October 2012

- Present:** Mayor Adrienne Staples (Chairperson), Councillors Margaret Craig, Dean Davies, Brian Jephson, Viv Napier, Julie Riddell, Solitaire Robertson, Cr Sexton and Max Stevens.
- In attendance:** Paul Crimp (Group Manager Corporate Support), Mark Allingham (Group Manager Infrastructure and Services), Glenn Bunny (Group Manager Planning and Environment) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the South Wairarapa District Council Chambers at 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public, except public excluded business where noted, between 9:30am and 12:20pm.
- Public Participation:** Gary Dewhurst (Greytown Swimming Club), Jo Johnson (Featherston Swimming Club), Bernie Saywell and Johnny Rutene (Papawai Marae) all until 10:00am.
- Presentation:** Lynnette Field, Dr Jill McKenzie and Dr Neil Stephen (Wairarapa Public Health) until 10:30am.
- Media** Tessa Johnstone, Wairarapa Times Age.

Procedural Items

Mayor Staples expressed concern at inaccuracies found within the Opus report contained in the appendices of agenda item C4 'Three Pools Review Project Report'. The Mayor gave her assurance that the district pools would open as scheduled and that there were no health concerns regarding water quality as this was in fact tested by the in-house Environmental Health team. Councillors agreed that decisions as per officer recommendations would trigger the Council Policy on Significance and a decision of this magnitude could not be made without public consultation. Councillors agreed to defer any significant decision regarding the district swimming pools to follow public consultation and that this process be included as part of the annual planning process.

The Mayor and councillors agreed that agenda item C4 would not be discussed at this meeting.

A Preliminary Matters

A1. Apologies

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/179) to receive apologies from Cr Gray and Dr Jack Dowds.

(Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Sexton)

Carried

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A2. Conflicts of Interest

Cr Davies declared a conflict of interest with agenda item C2 'TAB Board Venues Policy' and agenda item D3 paragraph 2.5 of which the subject matter was the Gambling Venues Policy, due to personal business interests.

Cr Napier declared a conflict of interest with agenda item C2 'TAB Board Venues Policy' and her position on the Wairarapa District Health Board.

A3. Public Participation

Gary Dewhurst, representing the Greytown Swimming Club, was concerned that consultation with interested parties was incomplete and that a significant decision on the future of the district pools should only be made upon confirmation of accurate information. The Swimming Club wanted to work with Council to find a solution and wanted Council to plan for aquatic needs in the South Wairarapa.

Jo Johnson, representing the Featherston Swimming Club, noted inaccuracies in the Opus report. The Swimming Club had undertaken regular improvements to the Featherston Pool which provided a local facility to children who may not have the means to travel to another town.

Bernie Saywell was concerned that inaccuracies in the Opus report may lead to uninformed decisions. Mrs Saywell asked that wider consultation was undertaken with the community and requested that Council follow-up a request made 6 years ago to look into the feasibility of building a covered complex.

Johnny Rutene, representing Papawai Marae, asked Council to consider the needs of youth before any decision on the future of the district pools was made.

A4. Presentation

Lynnette Field, Dr Jill McKenzie and Dr Neil Stephen, Wairarapa Public Health, presented in support of Regional Public Health's LTP Submission which requested SWDC undertake an investigation to fluoridate South Wairarapa's community water supply. The team presented evidence that water fluoridation would increase the likelihood of improved oral health and noted that a subsidy was available from the Department of Health for fluoridation setup purposes.

A5. Minutes for Confirmation

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/180) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 September 2012 be received and confirmed as true and correct subject to the following amendments.

Delete Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Robertson from resolution DC2012/162 and correct to Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Jephson.

The last sentence of E2 Cr Craig's report should be corrected to read "Cr Craig reported that plans for the Cobblestones entrance building were almost ready for tender release and a new grant application to the Lotteries Commission was being prepared".

The above sentence replaces the following "Cr Craig reported that plans for the Cobblestones entrance building were almost ready for tender release and a marketing package was being prepared."

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

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A6. District Council Action Items

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/181) to receive the Council action items.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Riddell)

Carried

A7. 2012/22 LTP Action Items

Councillors agreed that the Martinborough Town Hall Working Group should monitor actions relating to the Town Hall and that the Maori Standing Committee should be asked to progress actions with a Maori focus. Actions should continue to be included in the Council 6-weekly agenda papers and in August, October and March, focus groups and officers should provide a more in-depth report.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/182) to receive the 2012/22 LTP action items.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Davies)

Carried

B Council Committee and Community Board Minutes

B1. Policy and Finance Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/183) to receive the minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee 20 September 2012.

(Moved Cr Sexton/Seconded Cr Robertson)

Carried

B2. Martinborough Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/184) to receive the minutes of the Martinborough Community Board 8 October 2012.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

B3. Featherston Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/185) to receive the minutes of the Featherston Community Board 9 October 2012.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

B4. Greytown Community Board

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/186) to receive the minutes of the Greytown Community Board 10 October 2012.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

B5. Maori Standing Committee

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/187) to receive the minutes of the Maori Standing Committee 15 October 2012.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

B6. Creative Communities

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/188) to receive the minutes of the Creative Communities Assessment Committee 12 September 2012.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Riddell)

Carried

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B7. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/189) to receive the minutes of the Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund 20 September 2012.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Stevens)

Carried

C Decision Papers and Common Seal

C1. Proposed Temporary Liquor Ban for La De Da Festival

Councillors considered the report and noted that the prohibition was intended to be in effect from 30 December 2012, 7:00am to 1 January 2013, 12:00 midday.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/190):

1. To receive the information.
2. That a prohibition of alcohol consumption or possession of liquor for the public places as described in the report be ordered.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

C2. TAB Board Venue Policy

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/191):

1. To receive the information.
2. To adopt the TAB Board Venue Policy 2012.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Riddell)

Carried

C3. Schedule of Ordinary Meetings 2013

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/192):

1. To receive the information.
2. To adopt the 2013 schedule of ordinary meetings for Council, community boards and committees.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

C4. Three Pools Review Project

The Group Manager Corporate Support tabled a report 'SWDC Pool Testing' as additional information to agenda item C4.

The Mayor and councillors agreed that the "Three Pools Review Project" Report would not be considered at the 31 October 2012 Council meeting.

D Operational Reports

D1. Chief Executive Officer's Report

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/193) to receive the Chief Executive Officer's Report.

(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Napier)

Carried

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D2. Planning and Environment Group Report

Council considered the report and the Mayor congratulated the Environmental Health team, particularly Bronwyn Johnson, for fostering good relationships with the community and achieving results as reported.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/194) to receive the Planning and Environment Group Report.

(Moved Cr Davies/Seconded Cr Jephson)

Carried

D3. Corporate Support Group Report

Mayor Staples welcomed Leon Pieterse from Audit NZ and the Group Manager Corporate Support tabled the 2011/2012 Annual Report and 2011/2012 Annual Report Summary. Mr Pieterse said that an unmodified opinion had been issued for the 2011/12 Annual Report and the 2011/2012 Annual Report Summary and that Audit NZ was comfortable that this reflected the status of Council as at 30 June 2012.

The Mayor thanked Mr Crimp and the Corporate Support team for the work undertaken in producing the Annual Report.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/195):

1. To receive the Corporate Support Group Report.
2. To approve and amendment to the minutes of 27 June 2012, page 3, item C1, to include a third recommendation 'To adopt the revised Gambling Venues Policy' and that these corrected minutes become the official record.
3. To accept recommendation MSC2012/41 from the Maori Standing Committee and request an assessment on the appropriate section of Cape Palliser Road to see how it could best be altered and whether there were any archaeological implications associated with removing the cattlestop and smoothing the bump in the road.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Sexton)

Carried

4. Action 606: Provide the Mayor and councillors the legal opinion regarding removal of the cattlestop on Cape Palliser Road; M Allingham

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/196):

1. To adopt the tabled 2011/2012 Statutory Annual Report.
2. To adopt the tabled Summary 2011/2012 Annual Report.

(Moved Cr Napier/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

D4. Infrastructure and Services Group Report

Council considered the report and the Group Manager Infrastructure and Services answered questions relating to prioritisation of the work being undertaken for the 2012 swimming pool season, location of the replacement Martinborough toilets, and Martinborough Library statistics and permanent site progress.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/197):

1. To receive the Infrastructure and Services Group Report.

(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Davis)

Carried

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2. Action 607: Provide the list of works sent to CLM for prioritisation to Cr Stevens; M Allingham
3. Action 608: Discuss the site plan of the new Martinborough toilets with the chair of the Martinborough Town Square Committee; G Bunny

E Representation Reports

E1. Mayor's Monthly Report

Mayor Staples tabled her report and provided an update from the Mayoral Forum.

Jim Diers, former director of Seattle City Council's Department of Neighborhoods, would be running empowering workshops for community groups and councillors on the 5 December 2012. This programme would be sponsored by the Wairarapa councils and REAP.

Mayor Staples advised that she was working with the other Wairarapa councils to develop a youth strategy that was appropriate for the region.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/198) to receive the Mayor's tabled report.

(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Sexton)

Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/199) to appoint Deputy Mayor Napier as Acting Mayor for the period 14 -19 November 2012.

(Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/200) to temporarily appoint Cr Robertson to the Hearings Committee for the meeting on 31 October 2012 on the basis that Cr Davies has a declared conflict of interest and Cr Gray has submitted an apology for absence.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Davies)

Carried

E2. Reports from Councillors

Cr Craig

Cr Craig advised that the Regional Waste Forum would meet 16 November 2012.

Cr Davies

Cr Davies had nothing to report.

Cr Napier

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

Cr Napier noted that minutes of the Rural Travel Fund were included in Council papers.

Cr Riddell

Healthy Homes, Wairarapa Library Service Committee

Cr Riddell had attended meetings of the Wairarapa Library Service (updates were provided in officer reports).

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Cr Robertson

South Wairarapa Community Arts Council

Cr Napier noted that minutes of the Assessment Committee were included in Council papers.

Cr Stevens

District Rural Fire Board

Cr Stevens had nothing to report.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/201) to receive councillors' reports.

(Moved Cr Robertson/Seconded Cr Davies)

Carried

E3. Focus Group Minutes and Reports

Three Waters (Supply, Races and Waste), Reserves and Amenities, Emergency Services and Transport Focus Groups

Cr Sexton advised that GWRC would be providing a report on the district water races.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/202) to receive reports from focus group meetings.

(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Craig)

Carried

E4. Council Appointments

Destination Wairarapa

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/203) to receive the report from Council appointments.

(Moved Cr Napier /Seconded Cr Stevens)

Carried

E5. WRC Advisory Committees

Waiohine Floodplain Management Planning Advisory Committee

Cr Napier reported that GWRC had allocated extra resources to floodplain planning and that progress was being made.

Awhea Opouawe Scheme Committee

Cr Jephson tabled minutes from the Awhea Catchment Scheme dated 9 May 2012.

Lower Valley Development Scheme Advisory Committee

Cr Sexton reported that an application for resource consent to upgrade the Waka Drain had been submitted to GWRC.

F Correspondence

F1. Inwards

To Dr Jack Dowds, SWDC, from Wellington Free Ambulance, dated 25 September 2012.

To Dr Jack Dowds, SWDC, from NZTA, dated 16 October 2012.

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F2. Outwards

From Dr Jack Dowds, SWDC, to Wellington Free Ambulance, dated 26 September 2012.

From Dr Jack Dowds, SWDC, to Her Worship the Mayor and councillors, dated 26 September 2012.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/204):

1. To receive the inwards and outwards correspondence.
(*Moved Cr Craig/Seconded Cr Jephson*) Carried
2. That Mayor Staples should write to Wellington Free Ambulance and advise that SWDC do not have any unallocated funds for the 2012/2013 year, that grants are considered during the annual plan process, and invite them to make a submission in support of their case in 2013.
(*Moved Mayor Staples/Seconded Cr Riddell*) Carried

G Public Excluded

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/205) to exclude the public from the following part of the meeting.

(*Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cr Stevens*) Carried

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
Minutes for Confirmation: DC PE Minutes 20 September 2012 <i>Martinborough Library Relocation</i>	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7(i)(j)	Section 48(1)(a)
Rating Sale Report	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7(a)	Section 48(1)(a)
Regional E-waste Collection Report	Good reason to withhold exists under section 7(i)(j)	Section 48(1)(a)

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
a) protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.	Section 7(2)(a)(i),(j)

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<p>i) enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations); or</p> <p>j) prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.</p>	
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COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2012/206) to conclude the public excluded business and to move back into the public section of the meeting.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Cr Sexton)

Carried

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....(Mayor)

.....(Date)

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