

**MINUTES OF WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL
MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL, CORONATION SQUARE, WAIROA
ON THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 1.30PM**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little, Cr Jeremy Harker, Henare Mita, Here Nissen, Fiona Wairau, Hinenui Tipoki-Lawton, Liz Palmer, Paora Puketapu

IN ATTENDANCE: **Cr Hine Flood, Kitea Tipuna** (Tumu Whakarae Taupua Interim Chief Executive), **Duane Culshaw** (Pouahurea Māori - Māori Relationships Manager), **Stephen Heath** (Pouwhakarae – Hua Pūmau Hapori/Ratonga Group Manager Community Assets and Services), **Gay Waikawa** (Kaiurungi Mana Arahi/Governance Officer), **Nathan Heath** (HBRC Area Manager), **Angela Kaisa-Culshaw**

1 KARAKIA

Karakia was given by Mr Henare Mita.

The Maori Relationships Manager welcomed His Worship the Mayor, Craig Little, Crs Hine Flood & Jeremy Harker and members of the committee.

The Tumu Whakarae Taupua Interim Chief Executive, Mr Kitea Tipuna explained new committee members, elected members of Council and selected members of committee will be expected to undertake the Oath under the Local Government Act, Schedule 7 Part 1 Section 14 (3).

Maori Standing Committee members made an oral and written declaration as duly elected members of the Committee and with the written declaration signed and witnessed by His Worship the Mayor, Craig Little.

The Tumu Whakarae Taupua Interim Chief Executive, Mr Kitea Tipuna also explained the Register of Interest and explanation of conflict of interest. Governance team to distribute the Register of Interest for members to fill out and return.

MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/150

Moved: Mrs Here Nissen

Seconded: Mrs Fiona Wairau

That Mr Henare Mita be elected as the Maori Standing Committee Chairperson.

CARRIED

2 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

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COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/151

Moved: Mr Henare Mita

Seconded: Mrs Fiona Wairau

That the apology received from Theresa Thornton be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

4 CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil

5 LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**LATE ITEM – SELECTION PROCESS FOR TE WAIROA HŌNENGENENGE & PROCESS OF MARAE VISIT****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/152**

Moved: Ms Liz Palmer

Seconded: Mr Paora Puketapu

That in accordance with Section 46A (7) of the Local Government Information Meetings Act 1987 the **Item 8.3 – Selection Process for Te Wairoa Honengenenge & Process of Marae Visit** be considered given the item had not come to hand at the time of Agenda complication and consideration of this matter is required now in order to respond within the timeframe allowed.

CARRIED

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

NIL

7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/153**

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Mrs Here Nissen

That the minutes [and confidential minutes] of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12 November 2020 be confirmed with minor amendment in confidential minutes.

CARRIED

The naming of Lemuel Lane was queried as to how the name came about.

8 GENERAL ITEMS**8.1 TA TE POUAHUREA MAORI PURONGO / MAORI RELATIONSHIPS MANAGER REPORT****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/154**

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Cr Hinenui Tipoki-Lawton

That the Māori Standing Committee:

1. Receives the report.
2. To NOT elect a new Deputy Chairperson for the committee.
3. To have a remuneration workshop in March 2021.

CARRIED

The Pouahurea Maori Purongo/Maori Relationships Manager presented his report and reported on Informational updates being induction workshop held on 28 January 2021, resolving of appointment of selection process of the Maori Standing Committee 2020-2022 at the Ordinary Council meeting on 9 February 2021, election of chairperson and not to elect a deputy chairperson.

The report also covered attendances at Council meetings and forums, remuneration workshop, Nuhaka River Road "Shovel Ready" Project, invitation to Three Waters Reform Workshop to be held on 11 March 2021 in Palmerston North, regional collaboration day to be held on Monday, 22 March 2021, Wairoa oxidation ponds project 2021-2022, Opoutama and Mahanga beach access project and Local Electoral (Maori wards and Maori constituencies) Amendment Bill.

The Pouahurea Maori Purongo/Maori Relationships Manager, the Chairperson, Henare Mita, Liz Palmer and Here Nissen will be attending the Three Waters Reform Workshop on 11 March 2021.

Mr Paora Puketapu and Mrs Fiona Wairau will tentatively attend the regional collaboration day on Monday, 22 March 2021.

Lengthy discussions were held for rotational attendance for Council meetings and forums.

Congratulations to His Worship the Mayor, Craig Little on the submission to the Maori Affairs Select Committee for the Local Electoral (Māori Wards and Māori Constituencies) Amendment Bill.

The Pouahurea Maori Purongo/Maori Relationships Manager advised the Committee with regarding the vacant seat within Te Wairoa Honengenenge. The seat became vacant with the resignation of the previous member at the beginning of 2020.

Identify a Marae who is willing to host the selection process of the Te Wairoa Honengenenge or any other options available ie Taiwhenua office or Wairoa College.

Nathan Heath (Area Manager, Northern Hawke's Bay, HBRC) presented his report and reported on HBRC updates and also gave a presentation on Freshwater Reforms & Te Mana o Te Wai.

Written Takiwā report received from:

Rakaipaaka – Henare Mita

Waikaremoana – Paora Puketapu

8.2 NAMING OF CULVERT - WAITIROHIA

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/155

Moved: Ms Liz Palmer

Seconded: Mrs Here Nissen

That the Māori Standing Committee supports the naming of the culvert as 'Waitirohia' and considers that it is acceptable and appropriate for consideration, as determined by Ngāti Rakaipaaka.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 3.24pm with a karakia by Henare Mita.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Māori Standing Committee Meeting held on 1 April 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON