

**MINUTES OF WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL, CORONATION SQUARE, WAIROA
ON TUESDAY, 8 JUNE 2021 AT 9.00AM**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little, Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare, Cr Danika Goldsack, Cr Jeremy Harker, Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

IN ATTENDANCE: **Kitea Tipuna** (Tumu Whakarae - Chief Executive, Gary Borg (Pouwhakarae – Pūtea/Tautāwhi Rangapū Group Manager Finance and Corporate Support), **Stephen Heath** (Pouwhakarae – Hua Pūmau Hapori/Ratonga Group Manager Community Assets and Services), **Kimberley Tuapawa** (Pouwhakarae – Pārongo/Wheako Kiritaki Group Manager Information and Customer Experience), **Simon Mutonhori** (Kaiwhakahaere Ratonga Kiritake-Waeture/Customer Service Manager – Regulatory) **Courtney Hayward** (Kaiurungi Matua Kaupapa Here me te Mana Arahi/Senior Policy and Governance Advisor)

1 KARAKIA

Karakia was given by Councillor Tumataroa-Clarke

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

APOLOGIES

RESOLUTION 2021/18

Moved: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

Seconded: Cr Danika Goldsack

That the apologies received from Cr Hine Flood and Cr Melissa Kaimoana be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

3 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A maximum of 30 minutes has been set aside for members of the public to speak on any item on the agenda. Up to 5 minutes per person is allowed. As per Standing Order 14.14 requests to speak must be made to the meeting secretary at least one clear day before the meeting; however this requirement may be waived by the Chairperson.

5 GENERAL ITEMS**5.2 SUBMISSIONS TO THE LTP 2021-2031****RESOLUTION 2021/19**

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

That Council receive the submissions attached as appendix 1 & 2 and thank submitters for their submissions on the LTP 2021-2031

CARRIED

Alice Wairau spoke to her submission about enhancing tangata whenua relationships, council keeping Māori informed of upcoming law changes and the potential implications of these. Ms Wairau said she would like to better understand the roles and responsibilities of the Māori Standing Committee

Ngaromoana Raureti spoke about Opoutama and Blue Bay and te mana o te wai. Ms Raureti asked Council to not use good water to flush bad water into the sand and consider that more permits for development mean increased use of water.

The Meeting Adjourned at 9.40am – reconvened at 9.50 am (moved by Mayor Craig Little, seconded Cr Chaans Tumataroa Clarke)

Elected members received each written submission

Murray Olsen spoke to his submission that Council should not be introducing water meters and investigate other means of saving water. Mr Olsen said that a priority should be to get waste out of the awa and investigate farming irrigation. Mr Olsen voiced concerns that Rocket Lab is a big corporation in one of New Zealand's least wealthy districts and Council need to ensure the district isn't subsidising them. Mr Olsen asked for a review of staffing and expenditure. The submitter closed in expressing concern about the Three Waters review and noted that he would hate to see Wairoa amalgamated for this purpose.

Mark Aspden, CEO Sport Hawkes Bay spoke to Sport Hawkes Bay's submission noting that Sport Hawkes Bay is happy to continue to run the community centre. He asked Council to implement the Wairoa Play, Active Recreation and Sport Plan and noted that the Tu Manawa fund was open and this should be considered for work in Wairoa.

Craig Nisbet introduced the Mahisian Wave Warriors and thanked Council for its engagement in the Mahia Playground Project this far. Hannah Coop and Juanita Symes represented the group and submitted on the continued need for better amenities and social spaces in Mahia that are safe for tamariki, noting that Mahia has a barrier of isolation. The submitters noted their double phased proposal including a multi court at Ormond reserve which is a project handed over to the Mahisian Wave Warriors by the Mahia Social Club. The Mahisian Wave Warriors requested formalisation of land use availability and seed funding.

Ian Parker spoke to his submission that Mahia hasn't been looked after in the past, he said the boat trailer park in Mahia needs to be drained and sealed. Mr Parker said that wastewater should be treated to a high standard and he was in full support of an upgrade of the plant. He expressed a need for Affco to be held accountable for their wastewater into the river – he bought in clips that had been washed up and noted there was not enough monitoring. Mr Parker requested a

cycle track between Mahia and Opoutama which would improve safety and be beneficial to the community as well as eradicating of wilding pines. Mr Parker asked for more speed signs and a 40km area around the pub as it can be dangerous. Mr Parker suggested that recycling should be in Mahia all year around. He also noted that rates are going to be unaffordable.

Tim Sandall spoke to Panpac's submission that supported infrastructure as the Hawkes Bay economy is reliant on the rural roading network. Mr Sandall noted that appropriate management of wastewater is important and aligns to Council's objectives. Mr Sandall did not support the financial strategy and said it had limited consideration of new investments and a dependence on declining industries. Mr Sandall said that farming was declining before forestry increased and encouraged Council to engage with the forestry sector. Mr Sandall noted he did not support the new rating model and that he saw a close alignment between Panpac and Wairoa District Council's objectives. He said he wanted to contribute positively to the district.

Federated Farmers submission was spoken to by Nigel Billings via zoom stating that they agree the rating system needs to be simplified however are disappointed with the rural differential. Mr Billings spoke about potential upcoming issues for farmer such as the water services bill and land use changes influencing roads. Mr Billings congratulated Council on having a forestry differential and asked Council to consider a UAGC of 12%.

Denise Eaglesome-Karekare left 11.55am returned 12.03pm

Dave Read spoke to his submission and noted that he has a case with the Ombudsmen regarding the PWC forestry report. He voiced concerns that down the track Council will have an erosion of rating base. He noted that he had undertaken analysis which demonstrated forestry employees 3 people per 1000 hectares and farming employees 10 per 1000 hectares.

Scott Westbury spoke to the Genesis submission and noted that the balance has swung too far for Genesis. He noted that Genesis was a unique case for Wairoa and that 150% increase in rates in one year is not appropriate. Mr Westbury noted that hydroschemes are a capital intensive business.

Tau Mai ki Tuai was represented by a deputation from Tuai. The submission was opened with a mihi before submitting on the aspirations of the Tuai community to establish a new playground that can be fun and interactive but integrate learning and teaching opportunities as well as showcasing te reo Maori, to connect tangata whenua and share their stories and be a kaupapa to inspire Tuai. Workshops had begun in 2016 and the community agreed that this was a kaupapa to inspire Tuai. The deputation stated they wanted Council to be part of this journey and would welcome support, capacity and resources for co creation of playscape.

Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke left at 12.27pm and returned 12.28pm

Rachel Dossor spoke to her submission noting that she was part of the Mahisian Wave Warriors group who was feeling positive after their submission. Ms Dossor asked for Council to consider applying for Dark Sky reserve status. Ms Dossor said that she felt LTP consultation was missed and people will be unprepared for their new rates and will be shocked and scared.

Angie Smith spoke to the Wairoa Museum's submission, she noted that she had already spoken with the Mayor and Chief Executive. Ms Smith spoke about the importance of the Museum for the community asked that Council consider increasing its funding for the museum and offering further in kind support.

The meeting adjourned at 1.05PM – moved by Cr Danika Goldsack, seconded by Mayor Craig Little.

The meeting reconvened for the purposes of deliberations at 11am on Wednesday 9th June –

moved by Mayor Craig Little, seconded by Cr Chaans Tumataroa Clarke.

Cr Danika Goldsack gave her apologies for Wednesday 9th June.

5.1 LTP 2021-231 DELIBERATIONS

RESOLUTION 2021/20

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

That Council adopt the “same” level of service as per the consultation document for all scenarios except for scenario 3 where the community indicated a higher level of service be adopted and that Council adopt a Walking and Cycling Strategy which includes investigation of the Opoutama to Mahia track.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/21

Moved: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That Council continue to investigate a permanent recycle centre at Mahia with a view for this to be established by December 2021.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/22

Moved: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

Seconded: Cr Jeremy Harker

That Council support in principle the community groups Tau Mai ki Tuai and Mahisian Wave Warriors in the development of community playgrounds and offer in-kind support and support in funding procurement.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/23

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That Council consider implementing a Community Development Strategy.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/24

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That Council continue to enhance tangata whenua relationships.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/25

Moved: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That Council note that a Client Service Request has been raised for Road signs at Mahia and that speed limits will be investigated when Council carries out a district wide speed management review in the upcoming NLTP period.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/26

Moved: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

Seconded: Cr Jeremy Harker

That Council continue to develop a Climate Change policy/strategy.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/27

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That Council develop a spatial plan aligning with the Climate Change policy/strategy.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/28

Moved: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That Council continue working with forestry to ensure a closer relationship.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/29

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That Council make no Changes to rating differentials based on submissions and directs the Chief Executive to prepare a Financial Impact Statement consistent with that consulted upon.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/30

Moved: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

Seconded: Cr Jeremy Harker

That Council continue to develop a closer working relationship with key utilities including Genesis.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/31

Moved: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That Council continue to explore in-kind support for the Wairoa Museum and give a one off additional \$20,000 funding from operational budgets, conditional on meeting key performance indicators.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/32

Moved: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

Seconded: Cr Jeremy Harker

That Council directs the Chief Executive to rationalise and reconcile reserve fund balances.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/33

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Cr Jeremy Harker

That Council continue to explore their relationship with Sport Hawkes Bay and the Wairoa Community Centre, including potential implementation of the Wairoa Play, Active Recreation and Sport Plan.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/34

Moved: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke
Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That Council explore a closer relationship with Mahia Boating and Fishing Club, for the purposes of improving the boat ramp and surrounding areas. .

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/35

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare
Seconded: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

That Council undertake a stocktake of Bus Shelters and look to partner with the Ministry of Education and others for this.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/36

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker
Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That Council decline the request for funding NZ Memorial Museum and visitor centre Le Quesnoy, France.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/37

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker
Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

That Maungaharuru Tangitu request for engagement on district plan as well as ring fencing resources for tangata whenua engagement - be deferred to the district plan review .

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/38

Moved: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little
Seconded: Cr Chaans Tumataroa-Clarke

That Council declines the request from Hawkes Bay Regional Council to fund additional forestry compliance activity, however, will engage with Hawkes Bay Regional Council about regulatory functions and associated funding.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 11.49am on Wednesday 09 June 2021.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 15 June 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON