

**MINUTES OF WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
TE ROHE O TE WAIROA RESERVES BOARD - MATANGIRAU MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL, CORONATION SQUARE, WAIROA  
ON TUESDAY, 30 APRIL 2024 AT 10:02 AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare, Cr Melissa Kaimoana, Ms Michelle Mcllroy, Mr Phillip Beattie, Mr Irah Heyder,

**IN ATTENDANCE:** **Kitea Tipuna** (Tumu Whakarae | Chief Executive), **Michael Hardie** (Pouwhakarae – Hua Pūmau | Group Manager Assets and Infrastructure), **Sarayde Tapine** (Kaiurungi Kaupapa Here me Mana Ārahi | Policy and Governance Advisor), **Nathan Heath** (HBRC Māori Relationships Manager),

**1 KARAKIA**

The opening karakia was given by Mr Irah Heyder.

**2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**APOLOGY**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/22**

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

That the apology received from Cr Roslyn Thomas be accepted and leave of absence granted.

**CARRIED**

**3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

NIL.

The Chair advised members to update their register of interest forms where required.

**4 CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NIL.

**5 LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

NIL.

**6 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.

**7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

NIL.

**8 GENERAL ITEMS****8.1 APPOINTING A CHAIRPERSON AND DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/23**

Moved: Mr Irah Heyder

Seconded: Ms Michelle Mcllroy

The Kaiurungi Kaupapa Here me Mana Ārahi | Policy and Governance Officer RECOMMENDS that the Board

- A) Receive the report;
- B) Appoint Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare representative of Wairoa District Council as Chairperson of the Te Rohe o Te Wairoa Reserves Board Matangirau for the next triennium.
- C) Appoint Phil Beattie representative of Tātau Tātau o Te Wairoa as the interim Deputy Chairperson of the Te Rohe o Te Wairoa Reserves Board Matangirau for the next triennium.

**CARRIED**

Cr Eaglesome-Karekare called for nominations and members agreed to appoint Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare as Chairperson and Phil Beattie as the Interim Deputy Chairperson of the Te Rohe o Te Wairoa Reserves Board Matangirau for the next triennium with no objections.

**8.2 TATAU TATAU O TE WAIROA INTERIM APPOINTMENTS TO TE ROHE O TE WAIROA RESERVES BOARD MATANGIRAU****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/24**

Moved: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

Seconded: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

The Kaiurungi Kaupapa Here me Mana Ārahi | Policy and Governance Officer RECOMMENDS that Committee:

1. Receive the report.
2. Confirm the Tātau Tātau o Te Wairoa interim appointments to the Te Rohe o Te Wairoa Reserves Board Matangirau being *Michelle Mcllroy, Phillip Beattie and Irah Heyder*.

**CARRIED**

### 8.3 MEETING SCHEDULE 2024

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/25

Moved: Mr Phillip Beattie

Seconded: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

The Kaiurungi Kaupapa Here me Mana Ārahi | Policy and Governance Officer RECOMMENDS that the Board receive the report and adopt the Meeting Schedule for Te Rohe o Te Wairoa Reserves Board Matangirau attached as Appendix 1 for 2024.

**CARRIED**

### 8.4 DISCUSSION POINT AROUND WORKPLAN

#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/26

Moved: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

Seconded: Mr Irah Heyder

The Kaiurungi Kaupapa Here me Mana Ārahi | Policy and Governance Officer RECOMMENDS that the Board receive the report and that an action plan be presented at the next meeting.

**CARRIED**

Mr Beattie raised Ngamotu and Whakamahia reserves and how the committee plans to move forward with those reserves.

The Chair raised including the Rangihoua reserve as part of the flood protection options.

Ms McIlroy suggested doing a restoration plan and asked whether there is the possibility for the Board to apply to the Cyclone Gabrielle appeal funding.

Cr Kaimoana supported the restoration of the two reserves Rangihoua and Okaka and advocacy around Rangihoua for Hawke's Bay Regional Council (HBRC) to provide protection on the waterway side. She noted that work needs to be done along Okaka as the reserve is getting wider and beginning to encroach into Maori whenua and that she would like the Board to acknowledge and raise the awareness of significance of the purakau and tipuna from the Rangihoua reserve. She further advised that she would like the Board to advocate for the Wairoa bar to be managed in Wairoa rather than from HBRC.

The Chair noted the cultural trail project currently being carried out by Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust (RIT), Wairoa District Council (WDC) and Wairoa Young Achievers Trust (WYAT) and that Rangihoua has been highlighted as an area to have a storyboard about and using local knowledge for support and implementation of the project. She advised that WDC have been liaising with Central Hawke's Bay who have already initiated a similar project. Members discussed the proposed model designs of the pou suggested for the cultural trail and future reporting to the

Board about the progression of the project.

Members discussed looking into river mouth management, depth levels and dredging of the river that impact on the reserves. Mr Beattie suggested inviting the Department of Conservation (DOC) to the next meeting to identify the connection and relationship between the Board and DOC and to look at the rookery in regards to the seagulls by Kihitu.

The Chief Executive, Kitea Tipuna entered the meeting at 10:35am.

## **MOTION**

### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/27**

Moved: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

Seconded: Ms Michelle Mcllroy

That the Te Rohe o Te Wairoa Reserves Board Matangirau support the intensive management of the Wairoa bar locally as per the Andrew Newman report.

**CARRIED**

## **8.5 HBRC MAORI RELATIONSHIP MANAGER REPORT**

### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/28**

Moved: Cr Denise Eaglesome-Karekare

Seconded: Ms Michelle Mcllroy

The Kaiurungi Kaupapa Here me Mana Ārahi | Policy and Governance Officer RECOMMENDS that the Board receive the report.

**CARRIED**

The HBRC Māori Relationship Manager, Nathan Heath spoke briefly to his report highlighting:

- HBRC currently have an independent river asset management review going on.
- The woody debris is a well run project made up of local contractors and majority of the debris were being burnt during the restricted fire season with no issues raised.

Members discussed at length funding around woody debris, the removal of woody debris from beaches and the criteria to have random debris/rubbish from Cyclone Gabrielle removed from private properties that originally wasn't theirs. His Worship the Mayor advised the Board that it is in the pipeline for DIA to come to Wairoa to assist people applying for the Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal funding.

## **8.6 CONCEPT DESIGN APPROVAL – WAIROA RIVER RESERVE RESTORATION**

### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2024/29**

Moved: Cr Melissa Kaimoana

Seconded: Mr Phillip Beattie

The Pouwhakarae-Hua Pumau | Group Manager Assets & Infrastructure RECOMMENDS that the Board receive the report.

**CARRIED**

The Group Manager – Assets and Infrastructure, Michael Hardie spoke to the report noting to the Board that WDC received \$1.5M of Kanoa funding to put together a concept of detailed design and to construct things along the reserves from the lighthouse to Locke Street. He noted that Council has approved for the project to be advanced to detailed design phase and funding requirements provide that the money must be spent by March 2025.

Members discussed at length the details of the project including the visual identity of the project, the potential to build local capacity within the project, that funding doesn't cover the construction of the proposed wharf and that mana whenua will be included in the design phase. Members further discussed eco-sourcing appropriate plants such as raupō for the suggested plantings in the project.

**The Meeting closed at 11:20am with a closing karakia given by Irah Heyder.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Te Rohe o Te Wairoa Reserves Board - Matangirau Meeting held on .**

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**CHAIRPERSON**