
Council

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin, on Wednesday 8 May 2019 at 3.00 pm.

PRESENT

Mayor	Mr M Feyen	
Councillors	Mr R J Brannigan	
	Mr R H Campbell	
	Mr N G Gimblett	
	Mr B F Judd	(to 5.32 pm)
	Mrs J F G Mason	
	Mrs C B Mitchell	
	Ms P Tukapua	
	Mr B P Wanden	

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer	Mr D McCorkindale	(Group Manager – Strategy & Development)
	Mr D M Clapperton	(Chief Executive)
	Mr M J Lester	(Group Manager – Corporate Services)
	Mr I McLachlan	(Group Manager – Customer & Regulatory Services)
	Mr R Green	(Acting Group Manager – Infrastructure Services)
	Mrs N Brady	(Group Manager – H2040 & Partnership Development)
	Mr D Haigh	(Growth Response Manager)
	Mrs L Winiata	(Community Engagement Manager)
	Ms K Gray	(Strategic Planner)
	Mrs A Huria	(Projects Coordinator – Strategy & Development)
	Mrs T Gower	(Strategic Planner)
	Mr A Chamberlain	(Financial Accountant)
	Mrs K J Corkill	(Meeting Secretary)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Various Council Officers attended from time to time throughout the meeting.

MEDIA IN ATTENDANCE

Ms A Loo (“Manawatū Standard”)

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were nine members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting, with numbers fluctuating throughout the evening.

Following the Mayor declaring the meeting open and welcoming those in attendance, Mr McCorkindale gave an overview of the meeting process with ten minutes allocated for speakers to provide their comments and to respond to any questions. He noted that Officer responses to submissions had been prepared in the form of draft reports with no recommendations or actions included. These had been provided to enable submitters to refine or clarify the points they may wish to make in their verbal presentations.

Tabled was a change to the Draft Officer Response to Submissions - Finance Topic 1 – *Rural ratepayer concerns over their rate increase, cost increases and debt* with the last sentence of page 7 and first sentence of page 8:

Original text: “The Rooding Rate is not dissimilar to the General Rate as it too is a rate levied on Land Value”

replaced with: “The Rooding Rate is not dissimilar to the General Rate as it is rated across the District.”

1 Apologies

Apologies were recorded for Deputy Mayor Bishop and Cr Kaye-Simmons.

MOVED by Cr Feyen, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT the apologies from Deputy Mayor Bishop and Councillor Kaye-Simmons be accepted.

CARRIED

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Announcements

There were no announcements.

4 Receipt and Hearing of Submissions on the Draft Annual Plan

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Campbell:

THAT Submissions 1-38 & 40 to the 2019/20 Draft Annual Plan be received.

CARRIED

MOVED by Mayor Feyen, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT late submissions 39, 41 & 42 to the 2019/20 Draft Annual Plan be received in accordance with Council's Acceptance of Late Submissions Policy.

CARRIED

Submission 11 – Horowhenua GreyPower / Lewis Rohloff (Rating system and method of consultation)

Mr Rohloff provided a copy of Horowhenua GreyPower's supplementary submission.

Submission 30 – Social Credit (Western Region) / Heather Smith (Source of debt funding)

A pamphlet supporting Social Credit's submission was tabled.

Submission 29 – Lewis Farm / Geoff Lewis (Rural ratepayer concerns over their rate increase, cost increases and debt)

Submission 6 – Green Party of Aotearoa New Zealand – Otaki Branch / Sam Fergusson & Charlotte Hudson (Kerbside Organics Collection)

To support the Green Party's submission, a petition for Organic Waste Diversion with 1,770 signatures was presented to Council.

Submission 17 – Concerned Residents of Whirokino Trestle and Bridge / Sam Fergusson, Lyndon Cooney, Justin Tamihana and Geoff Lewis (Whirikino Trestle and Bridge)

A copy of group's further submission was provided, supported by a PowerPoint presentation.

Submission 27 – Horowhenua Forest & Bird Society / Joan Leckie (Transport Planning, Coastal Settlement, Climate Change, Flood Control, Waste Management and Minimisation, Walking and Cycling, Wastewater – Foxton Wastewater Treatment Plant, Increased Water Demand from Growth and Compliance with Drinking Water Standards, Stormwater)

A copy of Mrs Leckie's further comments was provided.

Submission 32 – Environment Network Manawatū / Alastair Cole (Community Plans, Support for Community Groups, Increased funding for Source to Sea, Funding Save Our River Trust, Waste Education, Wastewater – Foxton Wastewater Treatment Plant, Water and Wastewater Feasibility Studies – Ohau and Waitarere Beach, Manawatū Estuary and Ramsar Site, Wildlife Foxton Trust)

A copy of Mr Cole's additional comments was provided.

Submission 2 – Anne Hunt (Lake Horowhenua)

Submission 36 – Waitarere Beach Progressive and Ratepayer Association / Sharon Freebairn (Holmwood Park and Waitarere Rise)

Mrs Freebairn provided a copy of her supporting comments.

Submission 35 – Foxton Community Board / David Roache (Funding of the Foxton East drainage scheme improvements, Support for Community Groups, Funding Save our River Trust, Lighting Foxton Cenotaph and 24/7 toilet in Foxton)

Mr Roache was joined at the table by Cathy McCartney and Hannah Street who gave a PowerPoint presentation on the achievements of Proudly Foxton.

Submission 28 – Foxton Beach Progressive Association / Ted Melton & Janine Smart (Community Plans, Subdivision Development at Foxton Beach, Foxton Beach Freeholding Policy/Strategy, Signage for Foxton Beach, Freedom camping, Foxton Beach Coastal Reserve Management Plan, Holben Reserve development, Foxton Beach Surf Life-saving Club)

A copy of the Association's oral submission was provided.

Submission 25 – Sarah Walsh (Ōhau Underpass mural, Ōhau Walkway and Domain)

Ms Walsh was joined at the table by Mr Tamihana. Ms Walsh's oral submission was preceded by a video featuring pupils from Ohau School that had been produced and shown to Council five years ago.

Cr Judd left the meeting at this juncture.

The meeting adjourned for a dinner break at 5.32 pm and reconvened at 6.03 pm.

Submission 7 – Leone Brown (Barbara Taylor speaking on her behalf) (Landfill Leachate)

A copy of Ms Brown's further submission was provided.

Submission 24 – Lakeview Farm / Peter Everton (Rural ratepayer concerns over their rate increase, cost increases and debt, What is Council doing for the rural ratepayer, Lake Horowhenua, Kerbside Recycling Changes)

Submission 31 – Federated Farmers of New Zealand – Manawatū/Rangitikei / Paul Olsen (Rural ratepayer concerns over their rate increase, cost increases and debt, Rates increases, sustainability of debt, cost increases, Breadth of Projects and Activities)
A copy of Mr Olsen's supporting comments was provided.

Submission 33 – Horowhenua Farmers Ratepayers / Ann Thomas (Rural ratepayer concerns over their rate increase, cost increases and debt)
A copy of Mrs Thomas' further comments was provided.

Submission 26 – Ann Thomas (Rural ratepayer concerns over their rate increase, cost increases and debt)
Mrs Thomas provided a copy of her further comments.

Submission 16 – Geoff Kane (Farmers rate increases and fairness of these, poor budget control, Governance at Horowhenua District Council)
Mr Kane provided rating information in support of his submission.

Submission 14 – Ian August (Rural ratepayer concerns over their rate increase, cost increases and debt)
A copy of Mr August's oral submission was provided.

Submission 21 – Glen Monaghan (Shannon Community Hall)

The meeting adjourned (7.10 – 7.20 pm)

Submission 23 – Simon Smelt (Cost of Council Employees)

Submission 22 – Tokomaru Village & Community Association / Wayne Richards (Community Plans, Development of a Community Hub in Tokomaru, Tokomaru Recycling Station, Council Support for Bikes in Schools Programme, Walking and Cycling, Speed Limits Around Tokomaru Village, Tokomaru Footpaths, Development of Horseshoe Bend and Tokomaru Domain)
Mr Richards provided a copy of his supporting comments.

7.52 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD
AT A MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....