

# MINUTES

**TITLE:** Extraordinary Tasman District Council Meeting  
**DATE:** Thursday 15 November 2007  
**TIME:** 9.00 am  
**VENUE:** Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

**PRESENT:** Mayor R G Kempthorne (Chair) Crs S J Borlase, S G Bryant, R G Currie, B F Dowler, J L Edgar, B W Ensor, G A Glover, M J Higgins, T E Norriss, and N Riley.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive (P J Wylie), Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy) and Administration Officer (B D Moore).

## APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Higgins/Riley  
CN07/11/01

**THAT apologies for absence from Crs King, Inglis and Wilkins be sustained.  
CARRIED**

## 1. ELECTED MEMBERS REMUNERATION

Mr Kennedy explained that this extraordinary Council meeting was required as the closing date for council proposals to the Remuneration Authority is Tuesday 20 November 2007 in order to meet the date for gazetting new determinations in late December.

Mr Kennedy spoke further to his staff report of 5 November 2007 contained within the agenda and referred to how Council had previously adopted remuneration model 'G' based on a salary only rather than a meeting allowance. He advised that the two community boards have both adopted remuneration model 'G'.

Cr Norriss spoke about the effects of secondary employment tax for Councillors and the Chief Executive that this is a matter controlled by the Inland Revenue Department and there is very little Local Government New Zealand can do to change the situation.

Cr Borlase said that the allowance of 60 cents per kilometre for vehicle usage is also taxed.

The Chief Executive said that staff will investigate and that legislation is being introduced in Parliament on that issue.

**Moved Crs Higgins/Riley  
CN07/11/02**

**THAT the Tasman District Council recommends that Model G continues to be used as the basis for Councillor and Community Board remuneration, post 2007 local authority elections and it agrees to the provision of a car for the Mayor.  
CARRIED**

## **2. EXPENSES, ALLOWANCES AND REIMBURSEMENT RULES**

Mr Kennedy referred to his report of 9 November 2007 contained within the agenda and the additional need for this extraordinary meeting of Council to recommend Council's expenses, allowances and reimbursement rules to the Remuneration Authority for the 2007/2008 financial year.

Cr Bryant referred to the nominal rental fee proposed where Councillors provide their own computer or facsimile machines.

The Chief Executive said that the Corporate Services Manager is reassessing this situation and that the level of reimbursement can be amended by Council at a later date.

**Moved Crs Edgar/Borlase  
CN07/1103**

**THAT the Tasman District Council readopts the Expenses, Allowances and Reimbursements Rules for the 2007/2008 financial year, as approved by the Remuneration Authority in June 2007.  
CARRIED**

Mayor Kempthorne thanked Councillors for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.15 am.

Date Confirmed:

Mayor: