MINUTES

TITLE: Engineering Services Committee

DATE: Thursday 14 May 2009

TIME: 9.30 am

VENUE: Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

PRESENT: Cr T E Norriss (Chair), Mayor R G Kempthorne, Crs T B King,

S G Bryant, S J Borlase, B F Dowler, J L Edgar, G A Glover,

M J Higgins, N Riley, J L Inglis & E J Wilkins

IN ATTENDANCE: Engineering Services Manager (P Thomson), Utilities Asset

Manager (J Cuthbertson), Transportation Manager (G Clark), Utilities Asset Engineer (D Stephenson), Executive Assistant

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APOLOGIES

Moved Crs King/Edgar WK09/05/01

THAT apologies for absence from Crs Ensor and Currie and from Mayor Kempthorne, Crs Riley and Glover for lateness be received.

CARRIED

1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1.1 Engineering Services Committee – 2 April 2009

Moved Crs Bryant/Borlase WK09/05/02

THAT the Minutes of the Engineering Services Committee meeting held on 2 April 2009 containing resolutions WK09/04/01 to WK09/04/13 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

2 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cr Norriss spoke to his report contained in the agenda.

He stated that he did not talk to Susan Goodger at the Nelson Mail regarding an article in last night's paper and that she got the information out of the Engineering Services agenda.

Moved Crs Edgar/Bryant WK09/05/03

THAT the Chairperson's report dated 7 May 2009 be received. CARRIED

3 TRANSPORTATION REPORT – MAY

Mr G Clark spoke to his report contained in the agenda.

Discussions followed regarding new road maintenance contracts which will commence on 1 July 2009 for a duration of at least three years. The contracts have been awarded to Downer EDi Works.

Cr Glover and Mayor Kempthorne arrived at the meeting at 9.50 am.

Mr Clark circulated a safety map which showed the Top of the South Island and included roads, journey times and route specific safety information.

Moved Crs Bryant/Borlase WK09/05/04

THAT the Transportation Manager's report dated 4 May 2009 be received. CARRIED

Cr Riley arrived at the meeting at 10.50 am.

4 UTILITIES

4.1 Utilities Management Report

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to his report contained in the agenda.

He said that over the last year there have been a lot of failures with rural water schemes. He said they are investigating an option that when there is a problem with the water, staff will contact all people involved via bulk email or text message and let them know of the problem.

Moved Crs King/Glover WK09/05/05

THAT the Utilities Manager's report dated 4 May 2009 be received. CARRIED

4.2 Marahau Sewerage Scheme Subsidy

In 2003 Council applied to the Sanitary Works Technical Advisory Committee for preliminary approval for a subsidy for the Marahau Sewerage Scheme, which was granted.

To achieve further approval a conceptual desktop exercise was required. No further work was undertaken in regard to design or community consultation. Council has now been asked by the Ministry of Health if it wishes to proceed with the application and building of the scheme.

Council intends to inform the Ministry of Health that it does not intend to uplift the sewerage subsidy as it does not have a project to utilise the funding.

Cr King said that Council should tell the Ministry of Health that Council is not going to proceed at this stage.

Moved Crs King/Glover WK09/05/06

THAT the Utilities Manager's report dated 6 May 2009 be received. CARRIED

4.3 Salisbury Road – Park Drive Stormwater

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report in the agenda which informed Council of the scope of works to be undertaken in Salisbury Road and Park Drive following the transfer of some of the capital budget into the Gladstone Road works.

Cr Riley was against the resolution.

Moved Crs King/Glover WK09/05/07

- 1 THAT the proposed stormwater reticulation upgrades of Salisbury Road and Park Drive be amended as detailed in the report to best utilise the remaining capital expenditure budgets in the current financial year; and
- 2 THAT the Salisbury Road stormwater project budget be approved for a total expenditure of \$700,000; and
- 3 THAT the Park Drive stormwater project budget be approved for a total capital expenditure of \$60,000.

CARRIED

4.4 Council Submission to MFE Discussion Document: Waste Minimisation in New Zealand

Cr Wilkins left the meeting briefly at 11.55 am.

Mr Stephenson spoke to the report in the agenda that sought approval from the Engineering Services Committee to make a submission to the Ministry for the Environment, responding to the document "Waste Minimisation in New Zealand".

Cr Wilkins returned to the meeting at 12.20 pm.

Cr Higgins raised concern with Target 1 regarding the cost of reducing the quantity of waste disposed to landfill per person per year by 20% from 2010 to 2015.

Mayor Kempthorne said that we need to make it clear, right through the submission, the best way of achieving the target.

Moved Crs Bryant/Edgar WK09/05/07

THAT the Engineering Manager be given delegated authority to finalise and send a Council submission to the discussion document "Waste Minimisation in New Zealand" based on discussion today.

CARRIED

5 DEVELOPMENT/CUSTOMER SERVICE THREE MONTHLY REPORT - JANUARY TO MARCH 2009

Mr Thomson spoke to the report Development/Customer Service – three monthly report – January to March 2009, contained in the agenda. The report reviewed and highlighted developments and service requests received by Council during January to March 2009.

Moved Crs Edgar/Glover WK09/05/08

The meeting concluded at 12.50 pm.

THAT the Development/Customer Service – three monthly report – January to March 2009 be received.

CARRIED

Chair:	Date: