

MINUTES

TITLE: Full Council
DATE: Thursday 22 March 2012
TIME: 10.15 am
VENUE: Tasman Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

PRESENT: Mayor R G Kempthorne (Chair), Crs T B King, S G Bryant, T E Norriss, B F Dowler, J L Inglis, J L Edgar, G A Glover, P F Sangster, M L Bouillir, Z S Mirfin, C M Maling

IN ATTENDANCE: Golden Bay Community Board Chair (C McLellan)
Acting Chief Executive (D Bush-King)
Community Services Manager (L Kennedy)
Executive Officer – Strategic Development (S Hartley)
Manager Property Services (J K Frater)
Finance Manager (R Holden)
Utilities Manager (J Cuthbertson)
Recovery Manager (A Humphries)
Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs Mirfin/Maling
CN12-03-01

**THAT apologies from Cr E J Wilkins for absence be sustained.
CARRIED**

1 PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 Cr Norriss on behalf of Motueka Valley Residents

Cr Norriss expressed concern on behalf of residents of the Motueka Valley about the proposed changes to the Motueka Ward boundary, particularly those based on the Local Government Commission reorganisation proposal. He said the community had not had an opportunity to speak on it as it came out in the final order and that there was a strong preference for maintaining the current ward boundaries.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Full Council 23 February 2012

Moved Crs Maling/Inglis
CN12-03-02

**THAT the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 23 February 2012 containing resolutions CN12-02-01 to CN12-02-07 be confirmed as a true and complete record.
CARRIED**

3 REPORTS

3.1 Representation Review

Sandra Hartley, Executive Officer – Strategic Development and Lloyd Kennedy, Community Services Manager, were in attendance to present the report contained in the agenda.

Council is required to carry out and complete a review of its representation under the Local Electoral Act 2001. The review is required to be completed by Council this year so that any changes can be implemented in time for the 2013 triennial elections.

Part of the review has been completed, in regard to the Electoral System and Maori Ward option, and Council now needs to decide how it wishes to proceed with the review of the representation arrangements.

Discussion ensued on the suggestion to move the Motueka Ward Boundary to increase the population and ward area, and therefore reduce the population of the Waimea/ Moutere Ward so it more closely aligns with the population requirements according to Section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act 2001.

Moved Crs Norriss/Ensor CN12-03-03

THAT the Tasman District Council:

- a) Receives report RCN12-03-02 Representation Review; and**
- b) Pursuant to section 19H and 19J of the Local Electoral Act 2001, agrees to retain the current number of councillors, the current ward boundaries, the current election of councillors by ward, the ward names, and the current two community boards; and**
- c) Notes that retaining the current ward boundaries may not comply with the population requirements in Section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act 2001; and**
- d) Notes that the reasons for the decision on the ward boundaries include:**
 - a. The fact that there is currently legislation going through the Parliamentary process to amend the requirement for population to comply with the plus or minus 10 percent rule; and**
 - b. That in Council's view, the current ward boundaries reflect the existing communities of interest; and**
 - c. The alternative, such as that proposed by the Local Government Commission, does not necessarily meet the population requirements, but will split an existing community of interest.**
- e) Agrees that public notice outlining the Council's initial proposal will be given on or after 28 April 2012.**

A division was called for:

	For	Against
Bouillir	X	
Bryant	X	
Dowler	X	
Edgar	X	
Ensor	X	
Glover	X	
Inglis	X	
Mayor Kempthorne	X	
King	X	
Maling	X	
Mirfin	X	
Norriss	X	
Sangster	X	
Wilkins	Absent	

CARRIED

3.2 Takaka Aerodrome Report

Jim Frater, Manager Property Services, was in attendance to speak to the report which was contained in the agenda.

The report recommended that the responsibility for the Takaka Aerodrome change from the Engineering Services Committee to the Corporate Services Committee.

The proposed makeup of the Management Committee is to be discussed with the Golden Bay Community Board and Golden Bay Councillors.

Moved Crs Glover/King

CN12-03-04

THAT the Tasman District Council:

- a) **Receives the Takaka Aerodrome Report RCN12-03-01; and**
- b) **The responsibility for the Takaka Aerodrome transfer from the Engineering Services Committee to the Corporate Services Committee.**

CARRIED

3.3 Rates Remission Policy for Land Affected by Natural Disasters

Dennis Bush-King, Acting Chief Executive, spoke to the report contained in the agenda. Russell Holden, Finance Manager, was in attendance for discussion on this item.

The purpose of the report was to review Council's Rates Remission policies with a view to extending the policies to cover relief to ratepayers whose properties have suffered damage from natural disaster to the extent that they are uninhabitable.

Mr Bush-King said there will be extra administration costs incurred in implementing the policy. The policy has been restricted to houses and buildings subject to S124 notices. Discussion ensued and issues with the proposed policy identified.

**Moved Crs Edgar/Norriss
CN12-03-05**

**That the matter of the Rates Remission Policy for Land Affected by Natural Disasters be left to lie on the table until the Full Council meeting of 3 May 2012.
CARRIED**

Utilities Manager, Jeff Cuthbertson was in attendance for discussion on the proposed rebate for consumers of the Pohara Water Supply.

Discussion was held on whether giving a rebate for users of water connected to the Pohara water supply would set a precedent.

It was suggested if Council did not provide water then a rebate should be applied, but in the case of the Pohara water supply, people were provided with water, by tanker.

**Moved Crs Bouillir/Sangster
CN12-03-**

THAT as a result of the emergency declaration in December 2011, and the complete loss of infrastructure, Tasman District Council agrees to a rebate for users of water connected to the Pohara water supply from 14 December 2011 through to 1 March 2012 and notes that the water meter readings cycle will recommence from March 2012 and conclude with the actual meter reading in June 2012.

LOST

3.4 Acting Chief Executive's Report – RCN12-03-03

Acting Chief Executive, Dennis Bush-King, spoke to his report contained in the agenda.

The report provided an update on the following matters:

- Council's commercial assets
- Port Nelson Dividend
- Rates and debt issues
- 2012 Petroleum Block offer – The EDA were asked to contact the property owners and advise them of the proposal.
- Recovery project
- Land and Water New Zealand
- Shared Services
- Amalgamation petition

Mr A Humphries, Recovery Manager, was in attendance to give Council an update on the recovery project.

Lunch break was taken at 12.49 pm.
The meeting resumed at 1.15 pm.

**Moved Crs Edgar/Sangster
CN12-03-06**

**THAT Tasman District Council receives the Chief Executive's Report
RCN12-03-03.
CARRIED**

3.5 Mayor's Report for February/March 2012 – RCN12-03-04

The report contained information on the Mayor's activities for the months of February and March 2012.

**Moved Crs King/Edgar
CN12-03-07**

**THAT Tasman District Council receives the Mayor's Report for February and
March 2012 RCN12-03-04.
CARRIED**

3.6 Machinery Resolutions – RCN12-03-05

The execution of documents under Council Seal requires confirmation by Council.

**Moved Crs Norriss/Bouillir
CN12-03-08**

**THAT the Tasman District Council receives the Machinery Resolutions report
RCN12-03-05 and that the execution of the following documents under the Seal of
Council be confirmed:**

Licence

**Barbara E Gatward, 11728L1, Lifetime licence to occupy Ligar Bay bach issued
pursuant to Council Policy for Private Structures on Esplanade Reserves.**

**Dovedale Grazing Ltd, 20 year grazing licence at Dovedale Road, Woodstock, to
occupy unformed legal road.**

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 1.36 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: