
MINUTES
of the
ENGINEERING SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
held

9.30 am, Thursday, 14 February 2013

at
Tasman Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Present: Councillor T E Norriss (Chair), Mayor R G Kempthorne, Councillors B F Dowler, M L Bouillir, S G Bryant, J L Edgar, B W Ensor, G A Glover, J L Inglis, C M Maling, P F Sangster, E J Wilkins.

In Attendance: Chief Executive Officer (L McKenzie)
Engineering Manager (P W Thomson)
Transportation Manager (G Clark)
Utilities Manager (J Cuthbertson)
Transportation Planning Officer (S Downs)
Utilities Asset Engineer (K Arnold)
Development Engineer (D Ley)
Administration Officer (G Woodgate)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Moved Cr Edgar/Cr Maling
ESC13-02-1

That apologies from Crs T B King and Z S Mirfin for absence be accepted.
CARRIED

3 PUBLIC FORUM

3.1 Mr Malcolm Saunders

Mr Saunders spoke in support of the new speed limit along north and south Queen Street, Richmond and requested signage be erected stating 'Motorists please give way to pedestrians'.

3.2 Mr Paul Heywood, Chairman of the Automobile Association of Nelson

Mr Heywood advised of his Chairmanship of the Automobile Association of Nelson and added that Mr Gary Stocker would be their liaison person with the Tasman District Council.

Mr Heywood advised that the Automobile Association of Nelson were very supportive of the proposed changes in the Speed Limit Bylaw Review and proposed Changes report.

3.3 Mr David Dobbie, Jakkett island Landowner

Mr Dobbie advised that he did not agree with the recommendation in the Jakkett Island Long Term Solution report.

3.4 Mr Mike Rae, Jakkett Island

Mr Rae tabled his written comments regarding the removal of the Port Motueka groyne and on a Jakkett Island long term solution.

3.5 Messrs Mark Lile and Doug Loder, Motueka Port Users Group

Messrs Lile and Loder spoke on the training wall at Port Motueka.

3.6 Mr Brian Rhoades, Jakkett Island

Mr Rhoades spoke about Council's lack of consultation with Jakkett Island residents over the Jakkett Island erosion issue – especially the modelling that had been undertaken.

3.7 Mr Bruce Taylor

Mr Taylor spoke about the taking of aggregates from Tasman District rivers, the risks of not doing so and gravels being carted into Nelson from the West Coast and Blenheim.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr Inglis/Cr Glover
ESC13-02-2

That the minutes of the Engineering Services Committee meeting held on Thursday, 22 November 2012, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

6 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Nil.

7 PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

8 REPORTS

8.1 Port Motueka Groyne Removal, Report RESC13-02-01

Transportation Manager Mr G Clark and Transportation Planning Officer, Ms S Downs were in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide the final financial information on the Port Motueka groyne removal and to note the project's completion.

The Transportation Manager advised that costs were a lot higher than expected and that reasons for this were the use of local contractors and the fact that the sand was very difficult to remove.

The Chairman reminded those present that the removal of the groyne was an order of the Environment Court.

Moved Cr Edgar/Cr Ensor

ESC13-02-3

That the Engineering Services Committee:

- 1. Receives the Port Motueka Groyne Removal Report, Report RESC13-02-01; and**
- 2. Notes that the total project cost was \$711,056 to remove the Port Motueka Groyne; and**
- 3. Notes that the Corporate Services Committee approved \$393,000 to fund the removal of the groyne to be drawn from the Motueka Harbour and Coastal Works Account; and**
- 4. Requests that Corporate Services staff report on the breakdown on how the remaining \$318,056 has been allocated and funded across Council.**

CARRIED

8.2 Jakkett Island - Interim Works Plan Update, Report RESC13-02-10

Transportation Manager Mr G Clark and Transportation Planning Officer, Ms S Downs were in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide an update on the Jakkett Island – Interim Works Plan.

The Transportation Manager advised:-

- The Van Dyke Family Trust wants more protection of their land
- The geotextile sand bag wall was only ever a temporary wall
- Modelling has shown that the groyne has had minimal effect on the extension of the spit
- The spit is moving south and this may have consequences for Council in the future
- On 23 November 2012, Council filed an application with the Environment Court to cancel the interim enforcement order and seek a determination with regard to costs sought from the Van Dyke Family Trust. A memorandum, with expert evidence, was then filed on 30 November 2012 with further details of this application.
- The Van Dyke Family Trust have requested an extension to 15 February 2013 to respond to Council's application.

Moved Cr Bryant/Cr Sangster

ESC13-02-4

That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Jakkett Island - Interim Works Plan Update Report, Report RESC13-02-10.

CARRIED

8.3 Jackett Island Long Term Solution, Report RESC13-02-02

Transportation Manager Mr G Clark and Transportation Planning Officer, Ms S Downs were in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide information on the selected option that had been further developed from the preferred practical options. The report looked at the selected option with respect to practicality, sustainability and cost.

The report provided information on all other practical options that were presented to Council in December 2011 and considered aspects of sustainability and affordability.

The report also provided a financial update and other matters on the project to date.

The Transportation Manager advised:-

- Costs were prepared by Council's coastal expert
- The key factor is that the costs of the physical work and maintaining the channel are significant
- Item 5 of the recommendation had been amended by staff prior to the meeting.

Committee members discussed:-

- The requirement for ongoing consultation with stakeholders
- The cost of the modelling process
- The Environment Court process.

Cr Inglis advised that he disagreed with staff's costings and stated that he would supply a cost to do the job, less resource consent fees, by next Thursday.

The amended staff Recommendation was moved Cr Ensor, seconded by Mayor Kempthorne. Before it was put to the vote, Cr Edgar moved a reworded Item 5, seconded Cr Sangster. This motion was carried and therefore became the substantive motion.

Moved Cr Edgar/Cr Sangster ESC13-02-5

That the Engineering Services Committee:

- 1. Receives the Jackett Island Long Term Solution, Report RESC13-02-02; and**
- 2. Notes that the practicable option selected as part of the expert caucusing was the most appropriate physical solution to address the directions of the court; and**
- 3. Agrees that the selected option presented to the November 2012 Engineering Services Committee meeting is not sustainable in the long term with respect to ongoing initial capital costs, maintenance costs, and the long term effects; and**
- 4. Agrees that no further work be undertaken by staff on options to provide a physical long term solution to address the erosion problem on Jackett Island and seek direction from the Environment Court; and**
- 5. Agrees that Council engage with stakeholders of Jackett Island's residents to discuss the reasons for the decision at 4, prior to reporting back to the Environment Court advising that there are no practicable options for addressing the Jackett Island erosion issue; and**
- 6. Notes that this report has been provided to the key stakeholders for their information; and**
- 7. Recommends that the Environment and Planning Committee ensure appropriate**

planning processes are developed as part of a Coastal Hazard Management Plan to address structures being constructed in the close proximity to the coast.

CARRIED

10.50 – 11.20 am: Morning tea.

8.4 Speed Limit Bylaw Review and Proposed Changes, Report RESC13-02-03

Transportation Manager Mr G Clark and Transportation Projects Engineer, Mr S Elkington were in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to request the Committee to approve the proposed changes to the Council's Speed Limit Bylaw; and to approve the proposed process of public consultation on those changes. The Committee was asked to note the proposed timelines for the process, which meet the legal requirements under Sections 83 and 86 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Committee members raised inconsistencies within the draft Bylaw.

Committee members discussed speed limits in the following areas:-

- Croucher Street
- Kina Beach Road
- Edward Street to Gibbs Valley Road
- Pohara, Ligar and Tata Beach
- Tarahohe.

Moved Cr Maling/Cr Wilkins

ESC13-02-6

That the Engineering Services Committee:

- 1. Receives this report entitled Speed Limit Bylaw Review and Proposed Changes, Report RESC13-02-03; and**
- 2. Agrees that the proposed bylaw is the most appropriate way of addressing the problems that arise from vehicle speeds; and**
- 3. Notes that the proposed Bylaw does not give rise to any implications under the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990; and**
- 4. Approves the proposed Speed Limit Bylaw, including the proposed changes to speed limits as set out in section 5 of this report; and**
- 5. Approves the “Statement of Proposal” and “Summary of Information” for public consultation as required under sections 83 and 158 of the Local Government Act 2002; and**
- 6. Approves that the most appropriate method for distribution of the Summary of Information is through Newsline; and**
- 7. Authorises staff and Councillor J L Edgar to make minor amendments to draft Bylaw as required before it is consulted on; and**

8. Appoints the Chair of the Engineering Committee and Councillors Dowler, Edgar, Ensor and Sangster to hear submissions to the Bylaw.

CARRIED

8.5 Transportation Report, Report RESC13-02-07

Transportation Manager, Mr G Clark was in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to summarize transportation activities during December 2012 and January 2013.

Committee members discussed:-

- The amount of time street lights remain on in Richmond
- The Yellow Pine Bridge tender and re-tender
- The rationale for replacing the Russ Corner/Moutere Highway at Waimea West and Golden Hills Road intersection with a roundabout
- Turners Bluff final offer to landowners
- Kaiteriteri Road width.

**Moved Cr Bryant/Cr Edgar
ESC13-02-7**

That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Transportation Report, Report RESC13-02-07.

CARRIED

9 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

9.1 Procedural motion to exclude the public.

**Moved Cr Edgar/Cr Wilkins
ESC13-02-8**

That the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting. The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

9.1 Motueka River Erosion - 2867 Motueka Valley Highway.

| Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter | Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable) | Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution |
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| The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7. | s7(2)(a) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person. | s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7. |

9.2 Industrial Water Users Arbitration.

| Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter | Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable) | Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution |
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| The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7. | <p>s7(2)(b)(ii) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.</p> <p>s7(2)(g) - The withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.</p> | <p>s48(1)(a)</p> <p>The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.</p> |

CARRIED

Moved Cr Edgar/Cr Bryant
ESC13-02-11

That the open meeting be resumed.

CARRIED**8 REPORTS CONTINUED****8.6 Wakefield Water Supply - New Source and Water Treatment Plant, Report RESC13-02-04**

Utilities Manager, Mr J Cuthbertson and Utilities Asset Engineer, Mr K Arnold were in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide a brief update on the status of the Wakefield Water Supply – New Source and Water Treatment Plant Project, as well as provide an opportunity for one or more representatives from the Committee to be part of a project working group.

Moved Cr Norriss/Cr Ensor
ESC13-02-12

That the Engineering Services Committee:

1. Receives the Wakefield Water Supply - New Source and Water Treatment Plant report, Report RESC13-02-04; and
2. Nominates Councillors T B King and S G Bryant to be part of a working group for the project.

CARRIED

1.54 pm: Crs Sangster and Bryant departed.

8.7 Engineering Services Reorganization – Update, Report RESC13-02-05

Engineering Manager, Mr P Thomson was in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide the first update on achievements against the list of key performance indicators included in the business case for change. The KPIs covered the first year of implementation of the approved changes.

The Engineering Manager advised that this report was the first of a series of regular reports on the Engineering Services reorganization. He added that all existing staff (21) were now confirmed into their new positions.

2.06 pm: Cr Bryant returned to the Council Chamber.

Committee members discussed:-

- The timeframe for hiring the extra staff
- The need for Councillors to be advised on who the new staff are and what they will be doing
- The possibility of having an NZTA staff member on-site.

Moved Cr Bouillir/Cr Bryant

ESC13-02-13

That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Engineering Services Reorganization - Update Report, Report RESC 13-02-05.

CARRIED

8.8 Utilities Report, Report RESC13-02-06

Utilities Asset Manager, Mr J Cuthbertson was in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to summarize the Utilities Activities for the November 2012 to January 2013 operational period.

The Utilities Asset Manager acknowledged the good work undertaken over the past three month period by MWH and Downers.

Committee members discussed the recent detection of E.coli in the upper Richmond water supply.

Moved Cr Edgar/Cr Wilkins

ESC13-02-14

That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Utilities Report, Report RESC13-02-06.

CARRIED

8.9 Development Six Monthly Report, Report RESC13-02-08

Development Engineer, Mr D Ley was in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to detail development activities in the District over the past six months.

Moved Cr Edgar/Cr Bouillir

ESC13-02-15

That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Development Six Monthly Report, Report RESC13-02-08.

CARRIED

8.10 Chairperson's Report, Report RESC13-02-12

The Chairman's Report covered the following matters:-

- February meeting
- Engineering Services restructure
- Flooding in Murchison
- Great Taste Trail
- Engineering staff.

Moved Cr Glover/Cr Bouillir

ESC13-02-16

That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Chairperson's Report, Report RESC13-02-12.

CARRIED

8.11 Action Sheet, Report RESC13-02-11

An Engineering Services Committee Action Sheet was contained within the agenda.

The Engineering Manager was requested to check and report back on the October 2012 Action Sheet Item RES12-08-04 Provision of Bus Infrastructure – Recommendation regarding a temporary bus stop location.

Moved Mayor Kempthorne/Cr Dowler

ESC13-02-17

That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Action Sheet, Report RESC13-02-11.

CARRIED

2.43 pm: Crs Bouillir and Maling departed.

8.12 Tasman's Great Taste Trail Update, Report RESC13-02-09

Development Engineer, Mr D Ley was in attendance to present the report contained within the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide an update on Tasman's Great Taste Trail.

Committee members discussed:-

- Annual maintenance costs of Tasman's Great Taste Trail
- Higgins Road to Wakefield – condition of the trail
- Kumara's trail agreement with Iwi.

**Moved Mayor Kempthorne/Cr Wilkins
ESC13-02-18**

**That the Engineering Services Committee receives the Tasman's Great Taste Trail Update,
Report RESC13-02-09.
CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 3.00 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: