

MINUTES

TITLE: Tasman Regional Transport Committee
DATE: Friday 11 March 2011
TIME: 9.30 am
VENUE: Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

PRESENT: Crs T E Norriss (Chair), N Riley, B F Dowler, Z S Mirfin, NZ Transport Agency Representative (L Hammond, C Nicholson), Environment and Sustainability Appointee (J Leyland), Economic Development Appointee (B Findlater), Safety and Personal Security Appointee (Inspector B McGurk), Access and Mobility Appointee (P Heywood)

IN ATTENDANCE: Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Transportation Manager (G Clark), S King (LGNZ), A James (Nelson City Council), K Stafford (Tiakina te Taiao), Executive Assistant (V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

Moved Cr B Dowler/B Findlater
TRTC11-03-01

THAT apologies from B McGurk, J Edgar, J Chetwynd and P Burton for absence be received.
CARRIED

1 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – RRTC11-03-01

Cr Norriss spoke to his report which was contained in the agenda. He thanked former members of the Committee and welcomed new member, Jo Leyland.

Moved B Findlater/P Heywood
TRTC11-03-02

THAT the Chairman's Report (RTC11-03-01) be received by the Tasman Regional Transport Committee.
CARRIED

2 TRANSPORT OVERVIEW 2011

Simon King, Local Government New Zealand was in attendance and gave a powerpoint presentation on the Transport Overview 2011.

What other areas in New Zealand are in a similar situation to Nelson/Richmond which do not have alternative transport, eg rail and public transport?

Export value to this region as a percentage of economic value is considerable.

It was noted that linkages between off farm mobility and travel needs on the network connecting Tasman are not being recognised. There is a lot of transport effort outside of the network.

TDC gets a 49% roading subsidy, but typically large metropolitan areas get a lower percentage. In last 10 years TDC has gone up from 47% to 49%, based primarily on the value of the annual approved programme. Because Council has spent more on maintenance than capital it had the increase from 47 to 49. If we spend less it would drop back under the formula which has been in place since the early 1990s. The formula hasn't been reviewed and there is no initiative to review it.

Vehicle testing stations are noticing speedo tampering which means road user charges are not being accounted for which results in loss of funding for roading.

3 NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PROGRAMME

Lyndon Hammond, New Zealand Transport Agency was in attendance and gave an update on progress made against the National Land Transport Programme for 2009 – 2012 over the last 18 months, with particular emphasis on progress in Tasman District.

4 DRAFT STATE HIGHWAY CLASSIFICATION

Craig Nicholson, New Zealand Transport Agency gave an update on the proposed State Highway Classification system currently out for public feedback. Closing date for submissions is 31 March 2011.

Members of the Committee were asked to direct any alterations to the classification system through to Robyn Scherer, Executive Assistant - Engineering, Tasman District Council by Monday 21 March 2011.

Tasman District Council will be putting in a submission and will need to work with Nelson and Marlborough concerning the link from Picton to Nelson via Whangamoa. Andrew James advised that Nelson City Council has written a submission and undertook to copy it to Gary Clark.

B Findlater left the meeting at 12.09 pm.

Crs Norriss undertook to distribute the Council submission to members of the Tasman Regional Transport Committee.

Moved N Riley/P Heywood
TRTC11-03-03

THAT the Tasman Regional Transport Committee authorises the Chairman and Cr Dowler to sign off the Committee's submission on behalf of the Tasman Regional Transport Committee.
CARRIED

5 NELSON CITY COUNCIL ARTERIAL TRAFFIC STUDY

Andrew James, Nelson City Council was in attendance and gave an update on the Nelson City Council Arterial Traffic Study. He spoke to the report which was contained in the agenda.

Top of the South liaison group scheduled for early April 2011 will be rescheduled for after the report has been presented to Nelson City Council.

6 MEETINGS FOR 2011

Friday 10 June 2011
Friday 9 September 2011
Friday 9 December 2011

The meeting concluded at 12.50 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair:

CONFIRMED MINUTES