

MINUTES

TITLE: Engineering Services
DATE: Wednesday 1 February 2006
TIME: 9.30 am
VENUE: St John's Hall, Courtney Street, Motueka

PRESENT: Mayor J C Hurley, Crs T E Norriss (Chair), J L Inglis, R G Kempthorne, P K O'Shea, E E Henry, T B King, N Riley, S G Borlase, E J Wilkins, E M O'Regan, S G Bryant

IN ATTENDANCE: Motueka Community Board Member A C Fry, Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Transportation Manager (R Ashworth), Utilities Asset Manager (J Cuthbertson), Minute Secretary (V M Gribble)

1 APOLOGIES

Moved Crs O'Shea/Borlase
WK06/02/01

THAT apologies for absence from Crs R G Currie and M J Higgins, and for lateness from Mayor J C Hurley and Cr S G Bryant be sustained.
CARRIED

2 PUBLIC FORUM

2.1 Liz Conroy

Liz Conroy presented a petition in support of the change of status for Graham Valley Road to become a special purpose road.

2.2 L Faulkner

Mr Faulkner spoke about roading and culvert issues with the Baton Saddle Road and work being carried out at the Tapawera sewerage ponds.

Crs E M O'Regan and S G Bryant arrived at the meeting at 9.40 am.

2.3 M Hellewell

Mr Hellewell spoke about the condition of a reserve and stormwater detention pond on Glenavon Drive, Motueka. He also advised of a pothole on the corner of Thorp Street and Glenavon Drive that has previously been reported to Council but has not yet been repaired.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Engineering Services Committee - 10 November 2005

Cr Norriss noted that the comments he made regarding rivercare groups in item 4.2 were prior to a rivercare meeting being held in Motueka.

Moved Crs Inglis/Borlase
WK06/02/02

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Engineering Services Committee held on 10 November 2005, containing resolutions numbered WK05/11/01 to WK05/11/17 be confirmed as a true and complete record of the proceedings of that meeting.

CARRIED

4 PRESENTATION – CHRIS AUCHINVOLE, NATIONAL LIST MP

Cr Norriss introduced Chris Auchinvole who then addressed the Committee on his role in parliament as a National List MP. His responsibilities are Energy – Mining, Tourism and as a member of Caucus Primary Production Committee.

Councillors raised various issues with Mr Auchinvole.

5 PUBLIC PASSENGER TRANSPORT FUNDING

Mr Ian Hunter from Land Transport New Zealand was present and gave a powerpoint presentation on public passenger transport funding.

Cr Kempthorne said he would like to see some scenarios worked out of services/routes between Richmond and Nelson, so there are some ballpark figures to see what would work.

Cr O'Shea said the public transport culture needs to be a nationwide initiative.

Cr Norriss said these issues will be part of Council's Land Transport Strategy. He asked the Richmond Councillors to help the Transportation Manager with suggested bus service routes.

Mayor Hurley arrived at the meeting at 11.45 am.

Moved Crs Bryant/King
WK06/02/03

THAT the report and presentation from Land Transport New Zealand be received.

CARRIED

6 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Cr Norriss noted that he didn't believe the ratepayers of the district can afford a rates increase this year.

**Moved Crs Henry/Kempthorne
WK06/02/04**

**THAT the Chairperson's Report for 1 February 2006 be received.
CARRIED**

7 DISTRICT ROADING PROGRAMME 2006/2007 (SUBSIDISED)

Mr Ashworth spoke to his report which included the programme forwarded to Land Transport New Zealand that has been approved in principle. It was recognised following the LTCCP workshops held in December 2005 that Thorpe/Orinoco Road seal extension is no longer a priority and can be held within the Land Transport programme without funding at this stage.

Cr Norriss said if the Committee is looking at reducing spending it should be looking at capital items, not maintenance.

Cr Norriss asked for an update to a future Engineering Services Committee on proposals and options for Kaiteriteri Road upgrading.

**Moved Crs King/O'Regan
WK06/02/05**

**THAT the Land Transport programme for 2006/2007, with the exception of the Thorpe/Orinoco Road seal extension, be approved.
CARRIED**

8 DEVELOPMENT/CUSTOMER SERVICES – THREE MONTHLY UPDATE

Mr Ashworth spoke to the Development Engineer's report contained in the agenda.

Mr Ashworth asked Council to develop a standard for streetlighting in rural areas. He said there is a level of illumination that is of benefit to the road user and the pedestrian.

Cr Henry said with new subdivisions in particular we should still have the same degree of light, but instead of having it at the edge of the footpath looking at the road, it should be on the edge where it abuts with either road reserve or private property.

Cr King said the confusion is whether Rural 3 is a rural or residential environment. He suggested flag lighting at intersections only.

Cr O'Shea said Rural 3 is rural, not residential. We need an agreement for lighting in this area as it is an issue on every consent application that is before Council.

Moved Crs Norriss/Wilkins
WK06/02/06

THAT the Development/Customer Services – Three Monthly Update October 2005 to December 2005 be received and a working party of Crs O’Shea and Kempthorne, Transportation Manager and Policy Manager meet to resolve the issues of streetlighting in Rural 3 and report back to the next Engineering Services Committee meeting.

CARRIED

9 KAITERITERI FORESHORE ROAD RESERVE

Mr Thomson tabled a report which reviewed development options for the Kaiteriteri foreshore road reserve.

Moved Crs O’Shea/Inglis
WK06/02/07

THAT the Engineering Services Committee grants the Engineering Manager and the Chairman of Engineering Services Committee delegated authority to issue the Kaiteriteri Recreation Reserve Board a licence to occupy the unformed legal road reserve at the north end of Kaiteriteri Beach with a concrete fence structure similar to their proposal of 16 November 2005, subject to appropriate conditions to ensure that the Board is responsible for meeting all associated costs and all issues relating to its construction, maintenance, removal and for preserving unimpeded public access on the legal road reserve.

CARRIED

10 TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT REPORT

10.1 Regional Funding

Advice is awaited from Land Transport New Zealand on funding for seal extensions on Central Road and Old House Road and investigation projects for Riwaka/Kaiteriteri Road and Paton Road. These projects were supported by the Regional Land Transport Committee and Council.

10.2 State Highway 6 – McGlashen Avenue

The options presented last year have been modelled and at this stage Option 4A is looking like the preferred option, but confirmation is awaited from Transit NZ.

10.3 Professional Services

Council is due to go out to tender for roading professional services, to become operative in 1 October 2006 with the requirement that the consultant be housed in the Richmond area.

10.4 Road Stopping

The subcommittee set up to hear the road stopping objections for Cemetery Road and Trafalgar Road will be considering these in early March 2006 for Cemetery Road and early April 2006 for Trafalgar Road.

10.5 Development of Transit NZ's 2006/2007 and Ten Year State Highway Forecast

Cr Norriss and the Transportation Manager will present Council's submission at the hearing.

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Henry WK06/02/08

**THAT the Asset Management Report – Transport be received.
CARRIED**

Cr King left the meeting at 1.30 pm.

11 FAILURE OF RETICULATION SYSTEMS OVER THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD

Mr Cuthbertson presented his report informing the Committee of the issues that arose during the 2005/2006 Christmas/New Year period. Three issues occurred, being the failure of the sewerage pumping system at Tapu Bay, watermain failure at Oxford Street/Wensley Road intersection and sewerage pump station overflow at Tata Beach.

Mayor Hurley reported on a meeting held with residents at Tapu Bay following the failure of the sewerage pumping system who were concerned at the number of times they have problems over Christmas/New Year periods. He undertook to make available to residents the consultant's report presented to this meeting of the Engineering Services Committee. He said it is possible a local committee of Tapu Bay residents may be formed to liaise with Council.

Cr Inglis congratulated Mayor Hurley on his handling of the situation at Tapu Bay. He suggested a bund wall be built around the pumping station so if there are problems the effluent will be contained.

Moved Crs Henry/O'Regan WK06/02/09

**THAT the report on Failure of Reticulation Systems over the Christmas 2005/2006 period be received.
CARRIED**

12 STORMWATER URBAN DRAINAGE AREAS

The report sought approval from the Engineering Services Committee to submit into the proposed Long Term Council Community Plan the inclusion of six new Stormwater Urban Drainage Areas being, Tapawera, Paton Rock, Ligar Bay, Tata Beach, Pohara and Tasman.

Cr Riley said there is a huge problem with stormwater at Paton Rock which is only going to get worse.

Cr Bryant said Tapawera has a good system that is adequate for the foreseeable future and asked the advantage of including Tapawera.

Mr Thomson said Council has stormwater assets in Tapawera and they need to be maintained.

Moved Crs Riley/Borlase WK06/02/10

THAT the Engineering Services Committee support the inclusion in the draft Long Term Council Community Plan of the communities of Tapawera, Paton Rock, Ligar Bay, Tata Beach, Pohara and Tasman as Stormwater Urban Drainage Areas.

CARRIED

13 REFUSE AND RECYCLING

13.1 Zero Waste Grants – October 2005

Grant applications for October 2005 were received from five organisations, with one withdrawing due to the business being for sale. The following grants were approved:

Organisation	Amount Received \$
Te Whanau o Pakarana, Parklands School – Sarah Coup	550.00
Babysense – Daniel and Carla Malcolm	700.00
Green Teens – Brittany Packer, Sophie Turner, Jarrod Coutts, Lancia Hubley (administered by Nelson College for Girls Environment Group)	620.00
Revive Reuse Shop – Kahurangi Employment Trust	4,000.00

Cr Bryant said he had considered all applications that had been received.

Cr Henry suggested applications should be distributed to all Councillors for consideration.

Mr Thomson said staff go through the applications and grade them on pre-approved criteria and if any application is over \$10,000 it comes back to Engineering Services, anything under \$10,000 is approved by Engineering Manager and Cr Bryant. He said

there is a requirement that receipts have to be shown as to how any grant has been spent.

**Moved Crs O'Regan/Kempthorne
WK06/02/11**

THAT the Refuse and Recycling Report be received and Cr Bryant bring recommendations for Zero Waste Grants back to Engineering Services Committee in future.

CARRIED

14 MURCHISON KERBSIDE RECYCLING

The agenda contained a report on a possible kerbside recycling collection being commenced in Murchison.

Cr O'Regan said the matter has not been discussed at the Murchison Community Council and asked that a decision be deferred until the matter can be referred to the Community Council.

Cr Bryant said there hasn't been pressure from residents for a recycling collection and he was concerned about the ongoing cost.

Mr Thomson said Murchison is the most significant town that doesn't have a recycling service. The reason we have such a recommendation is that it is consistent with the Waste Management Plan.

**Moved Crs Kempthorne/Inglis
WK06/02/12**

THAT the report on Murchison Kerbside Recycling be received.

CARRIED

15 ST ARNAUD RECYCLING RATING AREA

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report. There were a number of properties which are outside the refuse route which are receiving the recycling service, but these properties are not presently being rated.

**Moved Crs O'Regan/Kempthorne
WK06/02/13**

THAT the Engineering Services Committee approve the extension of the Recycling and Refuse rating Area at St Arnaud to include all properties that are currently on the refuse/recycling route.

CARRIED

16 UTILITIES MANAGEMENT REPORT

16.1 Dovedale Rural Water Supply

It is not proposed to lift the moratorium on new water connections to the Dovedale water scheme.

Cr Inglis suggested that all properties should be installing water tanks for storage.

16.2 Waimea Emergency Wells

A second emergency bore has been installed upstream of Waimea well number 9. The pipework has also been installed and links the first emergency bore to the existing pipe network supplied by the Waimea wells 5 – 9.

Mr Thomson thanked J Cuthbertson, J Thomas and K Arnold for getting the new bores done.

Mr Thomson spoke about the problem with getting people in Richmond to conserve water when Council is watering Jubilee Park with large irrigation equipment during the middle of the day.

Cr O'Shea left the meeting at 2.50 pm.

Cr Henry said water users in Richmond have been conserving water and are going without. She asked that any future information that is sent to the residents thank them for their efforts in conserving water.

Cr Borlase left the meeting at 3.00 pm.

16.3 Tapawera Sewerage Ponds

Cr Bryant commented on Mr Faulkner's concerns about the sewerage ponds. Mr Cuthbertson advised that temporary diesel generation was still being used at the site as the permanent power supply is not yet in place and available.

16.4 NZ Drinking Water Standards

The new Drinking Water Standards came into effect on 31 December 2005.

16.5 Kaiteriteri Summer Extra Refuse/Recycling Service – Illegal Rubbish Report

Generally there were no refuse/recycling problems or issues that arose over the holiday period.

Mr Thomson said the extra weekly collection was run over an eight week period at a cost of approximately \$7,000. He asked if the Committee would pursue a targeted rate for next year for the extra collection.

Cr Kempthorne said it should be included in the LTCCP and put out to consultation.

16.6 Utilities Asset Management Staff

Solid Waste Project Engineer, Emma Manhart, completes her contract role with Council on 10 February 2006.

Cr Norriss asked that Emma be thanked for her work from the Engineering Services Committee.

A new Utilities Asset Engineer, David Stephenson, will commence work with Council on 7 February 2006.

**Moved Crs Henry/Kempthorne
WK06/02/14**

**THAT the Utilities Asset Management Report be received.
CARRIED**

The meeting concluded at 3.35 pm.

Confirmed:

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