MINUTES

TITLE: Engineering Services Committee DATE: Thursday 30 November 2006

TIME: 9.30 am

VENUE: Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street,

Richmond

PRESENT: Mayor Hurley, Crs T E Norriss (Chair), S G Bryant,

R G Currie, J L Inglis, E M O'Regan, N Riley, M J Higgins, E J Wilkins, R G Kempthorne, T B King,

P K O'Shea, E E Henry, S J Borlase

IN ATTENDANCE: Engineering Manager (P W Thomson), Minute Secretary

(V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

Moved Crs O'Shea/Riley WK06/11/01

THAT apologies from Cr S J Borlase for lateness, and A C Fry, J Bell and M Symmons for absence.

CARRIED

1. PUBLIC FORUM

1.1 R Schmuke

Mr Schmuke objects to being charged stormwater rates in Tata Beach when they do not have stormwater available.

1.2 M Clark

Mr Clark asked for the speed limit to be reduced in Lower Queen Street.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Engineering Services Committee – 12 October 2006

Moved Crs Bryant/Wilkins WK06/11/02

THAT the minutes of the Engineering Services Committee held on 12 October 2006, containing resolutions WK06/10/01 to WK06/10/20 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

CARRIED

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cr Inglis said if floodgates were put on the lagoon at Kaiteriteri for the summer holidays it would make a safe place for children and would take congestion off the front beach.

Cr Norriss suggested Cr Inglis address the matter with the Kaiteriteri Reserve Board.

Cr Bryant said the Marlborough District Council gave a briefing on water augmentation and then we visited the Delta Dam, and a couple of other schemes diverted through pipes and channels and a private scheme that was farming the water and selling it to adjacent farmers.

Mr Dickinson said we were shown their frost protection measures and results of vineyards which were severely affected by late frosts. He said there was extensive damage in the Awatere Valley. He undertook to write to Marlborough District Council thanking them for the water augmentation field day on behalf of Council and inviting them back for a return visit to Tasman District, next year.

Moved Crs Henry/King WK06/11/03

THAT the Chairperson's Report be received and the Chief Executive write to Marlborough District Council thanking them for their water augmentation field day.

CARRIED

4. ASSET MANAGEMENT REPORT – TRANSPORT

Cr Henry thanked Mr Elkington for the parking reorganisation in Crescent Street.

Cr King asked if consideration has been given to marking out car parking in Queen Street.

Mr Elkington said with the upgrade of the town centre we decided not to do Queen Street, but undertook to look at it again.

Cr Borlase arrived at 10.05 am.

Cr Inglis asked if double yellow lines could be put around Swamp Road and also in Kaiteriteri.

Mr Thomson advised the Lifecycle courses have been confirmed for Motueka.

Cr O'Regan said there is a problem with vehicles passing school buses and suggested an education programme be undertaken on this matter.

Mr Ashworth said there is no budget in Engineering for replacing rope for the bollards on High Street.

Cr O'Shea said if the broken pieces of rope were repaired when they broke, we wouldn't be in the situation we are in now with it. She didn't think it was the Arts Council's job to source prices for the rope. She said there was a big effort put into the streetscaping and said there must have been a budget for maintenance on it.

Mr Thomson said it is the Engineering Department's responsibility to reinstate an appropriate link between the bollards. The reason for the delay is to ensure whatever we put back has support within the community. He supported having links between the bollards and said the matter of budget will be resolved internally.

Cr Riley said after the pilot programme with mobility scooters, he asked if the same programme could be run in Golden Bay.

Moved Crs King/Borlase WK06/11/04

THAT the Transportation Report be received. CARRIED

5. UTILITIES MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mr J Cuthbertson was in attendance and spoke to the report.

Mayor Hurley arrived at 10.35 am.

Mr Cuthbertson said Streetsmart will now collect plastics 1 - 7 (except expanded polystyrene). A long term solution for the disposal of glass has been agreed with the contractor and it will be sent to Auckland for recycling.

Mr Thomson said the recycling of glass is a good news story which should be communicated to the public.

Mr Cuthbertson said the Marahau community have approached Council for a seven-day refuse collection over Christmas.

Mr Thomson said we've advised Marahau that the Council is still trialling different services to alleviate the problems that we have experienced at Kaiteriteri. Problems at Marahau have not been anything like the problems at Kaiteriteri. Indication from Council is that the cost of the service will be recovered directly from the people.

Moved Crs Borlase/Riley WK06/11/05

THAT the Utilities Asset Report be received. CARRIED

6. TAPAWERA WATER RETICULATION UPGRADE

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report that highlighted some of the problems occurring with leakage.

Moved Crs King/Higgins WK06/11/06

THAT the Tapawera Water Reticulation Upgrade Report be received. CARRIED

7. EMERGENCY MOBILE GENERATOR SET

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report that sought support to provide a mobile emergency generator for use on Council's sewage pumping station network. He said initially staff talked about obtaining two. As we upgrade the pumping stations we are looking to include a standby generator.

Mr Thomson said we need to make provision in the future for generators at least on both sides of the Takaka Hall.

Moved Crs Henry/King WK06/11/07

THAT the Engineering Services Committee approve the relocation of underexpended wastewater capital funding for Brightwater wastewater pipe upgrading to purchase a mobile generator for wastewater pumping stations, subject to the Corporate Services Manager being satisfied that funds are available. CARRIED

8. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved Crs King/Currie WK06/11/08

THAT the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Croucher Street Development – Tinline presentation

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to the 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, are as follows:

Item No.	General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
1	Croucher Street Development – Tinline presentation	Good reason to withhold exists under Section 7	Section 48(1)(a)

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 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Reason to withhold information under section 7
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.

CARRIED

Section 7(2)(b)(ii)

(Refer to Confidential Minute Book, resolution number WK06/11/9).

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Borlase WK06/11/10

THAT public meeting be resumed. CARRIED

Cr Bryant left the meeting at this stage.

9. TAKAKA FIREWELLS

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report which was to inform the Engineering Services Committee and to get direction to provide a submission to Council's Annual Plan and LTCCP for the Takaka Firewells.

Moved Crs Norriss/Henry WK06/11/11

THAT the Engineering Services Committee recommend that Council includes in the 2007/2008 draft Annual Plan the proposal to install a fully-reticulated potable water supply in Takaka, and to proceed by completing all feasibility investigations, design work and community consultation activity.

CARRIED

10. MOTUEKA FIREWELLS

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report contained in the agenda which sought direction to provide a submission to Council's annual plan and LTCCP.

Mr Thomson explained the funding proposals.

Cr Norriss was supportive of getting pipeline 1 through which will give a level of comfort to the Fire Service. He would like to see Motueka fully reticulated so they would be on the same parity as everyone else.

Moved Crs Henry/King WK06/11/12

THAT:

- a) the Engineering Services Committee recommends that Council include the funding of the water main from Old Wharf Road to Whakarewa Street (pipeline 1) in the 2007/2008 draft Annual Plan.
- b) Council reassess the funding for the remaining two water mains in the next LTCCP review.

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11. GOLDEN BAY SEWERAGE

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report contained in the agenda which sought support of the Engineering Services Committee to have Council sign a Memorandum of Agreement between Council and Manawhenua ki Mohua (Golden Bay iwi).

Cr Norriss said dealing with iwi in Golden Bay has been a pleasant experience.

Mr Thomson said there is a small ongoing cost with having these meetings and there are other obligations.

Moved Crs Borlase/O'Shea WK06/11/13

THAT:

- a) the Engneering Services Committee endorse the Memorandum of Agreement between Manawhenua ki Mohua and the Tasman District Council:
- b) the Engineering Services Committee agree that the Memorandum of Agreement be signed in the New Year by the Mayor on behalf of the Tasman District Council, at a ceremony with Manawhenua ki Mohua.

CARRIED

12. STORMWATER UPGRADE ADJACENT TO RICHMOND CEMETERY

Mr Cuthbertson spoke to the report which sought approval to replace an existing stormwater sewer.

Cr Higgins hoped that in spending the money on this pipeline there is still money available for Jeffries Creek, if it is needed.

Moved Crs Henry/O'Regan WK06/11/14

THAT the Engineering Services Committee approve the proposed replacement stormwater sewer be installed and that the funding for the project come from

the unexpended Jeffries Creek capital budget, subject to the Corporate Services Manager being satisfied that the funding is available.

CARRIED

13. OLD MILL WALKWAY COASTAL PROTECTION – UPDATE

Mr Thomson spoke to the report that informed the Committee on progress on the proposed Old Mill Walkway coastal protection.

Department of Conservation have reviewed the informal proposal and they have said what we are intending to do will trip the restricted coastal activity and it will have to be fully notified and signed off by the Minister of Conservation.

Meetings have been held with the three landowners about the nature of the work and funding which gives us a way forward and a basis to operate. We have talked with Talleys about the value of the work to them and asked them to consider a contribution towards the project.

Cr Bryant returned to the meeting at 2.25 pm.

Cr Higgins is of the view that the 150 metres of eroded area should be filled with gravel and planted with spinifex grass. He asked for staff to consider it as it makes economic good sense.

Mr Thomson Tonkin and Taylor do not consider it an adequate way to prevent the erosion. He said the idea of putting in some material if there are delays in the process, may be the only option available.

Cr Norriss said the private property owners there would be happy for the walkway to disappear and then do protection work on their properties.

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Riley WK06/11/15

THAT the Old Mill Walkway Coastal Protection – Update Report be received. CARRIED

14. ZERO WASTE GRANT APPLICATIONS – OCTOBER 2006

The agenda contained a report on applications received for Zero Waste Grant Applications.

Cr Henry asked that a report be received back from the organisations that get funding.

Moved Crs Norriss/Bryant WK06/11/16

THAT:

- a) a grant of \$500 to St Peter Chanel School be approved;
- b) the application from Golden Bay Biofuels be declined;
- c) Council Engineering Manager be given delegated authority, in conjunction with Deputy Chair, Engineering Services Committee, to award grants from the approved zero waste budget for simple applications of up to \$1,000 from schools and community groups where the grant is for the purchase of equipment or provision of educational activities for the purpose of waste minimisation, and a six monthly schedule of grants applied for and the decisions made be forwarded to the Engineering Services Committee.

CARRIED

15. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Moved Crs Kempthorne/Bryant WK06/11/17

THAT the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

Recycling Bin Policy

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to the 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, are as follows:

Item	General subject of	Reason for passing this	Grounds under
No.	each matter to be	resolution in relation to each	section 48(1) for the
	considered	matter	passing of this
			resolution
2	Recycling Bin	Good reason to withhold	Section 48(1)(a)
	Policy	exists under Section 7	

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 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Reason to withhold information under section 7
Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations 7(2)(b)(ii) (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

CARRIED

(Refer to Confidential Minute Book, resolution number WK06/11/18).

Moved Crs Bryant/Borlase WK06/11/19

THAT public meeting be resumed and the business transacted while the public was excluded be adopted in open meeting.

CARRIED

Moved Crs Bryant/Riley WK06/11/18

THAT Council amend the current policy relating to the issue of recycling bins (to properties within the Rating Service Area) to allow for the issue of replacement or second bins free-of-charge on a discretionary basis.

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 3.10 pm.	
Chair:	Date: