

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 11.54AM ON WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY 2017 AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 96 WEST END, KAIKOURA.

PRESENT: Mayor W Gray (Chair), Councillors L Bond, T Blunt, C Harnett, J Howden, C Mackle, D Millton, N Pablecheque.

IN ATTENDANCE: A Oosthuizen (Chief Executive Officer), J Parfitt (Advisor to CEO), S Syme (Committee Secretary).

1. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Harnett was undertaking some tasks in relation to Code Compliance for the Civic Building.

2. MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE TO BE RAISED AS URGENT BUSINESS

1. Steering Committee Appointment (Councillor Harnett)

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Council 21/12/2016

Moved by Mayor Gray, seconded by Councillor Millton and resolved that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 December 2016 be confirmed a true and accurate record. Unanimous.

4. OPEN FORUM

Kaikoura Youth Council – O Hughes

O Hughes provided an update on Youth Council activities and the general wellbeing of youth in the community. He noted there was not much for youth to do currently with the movie theatre, skate park and swimming pool all broken following the earthquake. As a result of a lack of things to do youth were becoming angry and bored. A discussion was held regarding a temporary skate park, repairs at the old wharf and some repairs required at the pump track.

The Youth Council wished to be considered for any roles where a youth voice was necessary.

Ralph Hogan – Finance Report and Open Forum

R Hogan requested a report which showed all donations received and money which had been paid out from donations. He felt people wanted to see where the money was going.

R Hogan advised back when the open forum had been introduced on the Council agenda the resolution had stated the open forum would be at the beginning of the meeting and he noted this had changed recently.

It was noted the Open forum would be back in its normal slot from February meeting onwards.

5. FINANCE REPORT

The \$1 million advance from the Ministry of Civil Defence had been fully spent. The first claim for reimbursement of costs was yet to be put to the Ministry. Welfare costs were 100% recoverable. Total borrowings were nearly \$8.5million. The funding for the shortfall of the Kaikoura Health Facility had been received.

Concern was expressed regarding the consistent overruns within works and services, foreshore erosion protection works was provided as an example. An enquiry was made as to how this could have come in over budget. If a job was tendered for then it needed to be completed for that amount. It was felt it should be known early on if the scope of works had changed and therefore the pricing for the job could alter.

6. CIVIL DEFENCE UPDATE REPORT

Included in the agenda was an update on Civil Defence activities being undertaken post- earthquake along with a work plan through to July. Debriefs needed to be completed and the Civil Defence Plan needed to be updated.

7. EASTER SUNDAY TRADING POLICY

The Shop Trading Hours Act 1990 was amended in 2016 to enable territorial authorities to decide whether retailers within their districts could open on Easter Sunday. A draft Policy was included in the agenda which allowed for trading on Easter Sunday. This would allow individual shop owners to decide whether they wished to trade or not.

Moved by Mayor Gray, seconded by Councillor Milton and resolved that Council proceed with the special consultative procedure in relation to the statement of proposal and draft Easter Sunday Shop Trading Policy. Unanimous.

8. BUILDING CONSENT FEES

The building consent fee structure had been updated to reflect the change in hourly rate for building department staff which had been included in the Annual Plan. Comparisons with neighbouring Councils were provided which showed Kaikoura was less expensive than Marlborough. Farm buildings were less expensive in Hurunui and it was suggested that the cost of consent for farm buildings in the Kaikoura district be reviewed.

Moved by Councillor Pablecheque, seconded by Councillor Howden and resolved that Council adopt the new building consent fee structure effective immediately. Unanimous.

9. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Councillor Mackle declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or voting on this matter.

A free concert would be held for the community on Sunday 26 September. The concert would be held outside the Pier Hotel.

Moved by Councillor Pablecheque, seconded by Councillor Howden and resolved that under Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965 Council agree to close the Esplanade from Avoca Street to Wakatu Quay from 8.00am to 11.59pm on Sunday 26 February 2017. Unanimous.

10. 2017 WORK PLAN

Included in the agenda was the proposed work plan for 2017. It was agreed due to timing of workshops and other meetings that the February Council meeting be held on the 21st of February.

Moved by Mayor Gray, seconded by Councillor Pablechque and resolved that the 2017 work plan be received for information and displayed on Council's website. Unanimous.

11. URGENT BUSINESS

Recovery Steering Committee Appointment

At the previous meeting a motion had been put forward for the Recovery Plan Steering Committee with quite a lot of discussion and it was felt there was some confusion which regard to what the motion had been with very little opportunity to clarify. It was requested that at the end of discussions the motion be clarified and Council be mindful of the process going forward. It was also requested that the minutes be sent out five days after the meeting and also that microphones be provided for each person to make it easier to hear.

12. COUNCIL PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION

Moved by Mayor Gray, seconded by Councillor Bond and resolved that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting namely;

a) Confirmation of Minutes 21 December 2016. Unanimous.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1.34pm.