MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVE, KAIKOHE
ON WEDNESDAY, 15 APRIL 2026 AT 9:25 AM *(Delayed start)*

PRESENT: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kohepu - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin, Cr Arohanui Allen (online), Cr Rachel Baucke, Cr Ann Court, Cr Felicity Foy (online), Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Cr Tāmati Rākena, Cr Davina Smolders, Cr Kelly Stratford, Cr John Vujcich

IN ATTENDANCE: Bill Subritzky (Te Hiku Community Board Chairperson), Belinda Ward (Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Chairperson) and Jessie McVeagh (Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Chairperson).

STAFF PRESENT: Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer), Emma Healy (Chief of Staff), Ruben Garcia (GM Community and Engagement), Tanya Proctor (Head of Infrastructure), Aaron Taikato (GM Te Hono), Rebecca Rowsell (Senior Solicitor), Hilary Sumpter (GM Delivery and Operations), Kate Ivicheva (Group Manager (Policy & Planning), Myjanne Jensen (Communications Advisor) Aisha Huriwai (Manager – Democracy Services), Marlema Baker (Te Kuaka Committee Coordinator)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania commenced the meeting with the Council.

2 NGĀ WHAKAPĀHA ME NGĀ PĀNGA MEMA / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION

- Aperahama Edwards, Mane Tahere and Marie-Meno Kapa-Kingi – representing Te Kahu o Taonui Iwi Chairs (15 mins shared).
- Huhana Lyndon and Waihoroi Shortland representing Ngāti Hine (15 mins shared)

4 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE KAHIKA / MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome to members, manuhiri/guests and acknowledge the parties outside of the room (supporters on all sides)
- Noted that the Memorial Hall is open and available to members of the public outside of Chambers who need seating and to use the restrooms.
- Acknowledged the presence of Security in/out of Chambers.
- Acknowledged the Media presence.
- Noted that 3 requests for deputations were received for this meeting:
  - Te Kahu o Taonui Iwi Chairs – accepted and confirmed (15 mins to be shared between Aperahama Edwards, Mane Tahere, Toa Faneva and)
  - Huhana Lyndon, Waihoroi Shortland – accepted and confirmed (15 mins)
  - Rowena Tana on behalf of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hine – declined (received outside of the 2 clear working day requirement)
- Noted that there is a Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulations meeting at 10am.

- Thanked Te Kūkupa Chair Kelly Stratford and members for allowing this extraordinary meeting to take place before their meeting.
- Acknowledged Nyze Manuel and her role in coordinating community hubs and Civil Defence community response.
- Acknowledged Minister Mitchell for his support during recovery efforts.
- Introduced Kaiwhakawhiti Reo Māori Language Translator - Tākoha Ropati *(arrived 9:25 am)*
- Noted that the Council meeting will be livestreamed on the FNDC YouTube channel and reminded everyone that the microphones in chambers will pick up all sounds so to keep side chats and paper shuffling to a minimum.
- Noted that the Public Agenda is available on the FNDC Website
- Noted the fire evacuation process If the fire alarm is activated, and for all to leave via the nearest exit and head to the grassy area at the back of Memorial Hall. Wait there until the Head Warden gives the 'all clear' to return to the building.
- Pointed out the bathrooms are locations

5 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

5.1 EXTERNAL APPOINTMENTS TO TE KUAKA COMMITTEE FOR MĀORI STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS

Agenda item 5.1 document number A5664706, pages 6 - 12 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/18

Moved: Cr John Vujcich
Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That Council;

a. Confirms the appointment of the following non-elected members to the Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships:

1. **Mane Tahere, representing Te Kahu o Taonui;**
2. **Wallace Rivers, representing Te Kahu o Taonui; and**
3. **One (1) representative nominated by each of the following Hapū/Iwi entities that hold a signed Memorandum of Understanding with Council, should they choose to make a nomination:**

   I. **Te Rūnanga o Whaingaroa**
   II. **Te Rūnanga a Iwi o Ngāpuhi**
   III. **Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa**
   IV. **Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hine**
   V. **Ngāti Rēhia**
   VI. **Ngā Manga Atawhai – Te Roroa**
   VII. **Whanaungatanga ki Taurangi (representing: Ngāti Kuri, Te Aupōuri, Ngāi Takoto); and**
   VIII. **Te Whiu Hapū.**

b. Confirms that all Iwi/Hapū representatives shall be formally appointed by Council resolution in accordance with clause 31 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, and shall have full speaking and voting rights as provided for in the Te Kuaka Committee Terms of Reference.

In Favour: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kowhai – Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin, Crs Arohanui Allen, Ann Court, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Tāmati Rākena,

	Kelly Stratford and John Vujcich.
Against:	Cr Davina Smolders.
Abstained:	Cr Rachel Baucke.

CARRIED

6 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed with a karakia at 10:27am.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 29 April 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON