

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVENUE, KAIKOHE  
ON WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL 2019 AT 10:00 AM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor John Carter (HWTM), Cr Tania McInnes (Deputy Mayor), Cr Ann Court, Cr Felicity Foy, Cr Dave Hookway, Cr Colin (Toss) Kitchen, Cr Sally Macauley, Cr Mate Radich, Cr John Vujcich

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mike Edmonds (Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Chairperson), Terry Greening (Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Chairperson), Adele Gardner (Te Hiku Community Board Chairperson), Shaun Baker - Northland Transport Alliance, Shaun Reilly - Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Member

**STAFF PRESENT:** Shaun Clarke - Chief Executive Officer, Janice Smith - General Manager Corporate Services (Acting), Andy Finch - General Manager - Infrastructure and Asset Management, Dean Myburgh - General Manager - District Services, Darrell Sargent - General Manager - Strategic Planning and Policy, Jaime Dyhrberg - Executive Officer, Glenn Rainham - Manager Alliances, Sheryl Gavin - Manager Corporate Planning and Engagement, Jill Coyle - Manager People and Capability, Tanya Proctor - Team Leader Infrastructure Programmes, Gayle Anderson - Executive Assistant to GM SPP, Aisha Huriwai - Team Leader Governance Support, Melissa Wood - Meetings Administrator, Marlema Baker - Meetings Administrator, Michelle Sharp - Manager Project Management, Roger Ackers - Manager Strategy Development, George Swanepoel - InHouse Counsel, Richard Edmondson - Manager Communications

## **1 PRAYER**

His Worship the Mayor commenced the meeting with a prayer.

## **2 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Deputy Mayor McInnes

**That the apology from Councillor Stratford be accepted and leave of absence granted**

**CARRIED**

## **3 DEPUTATIONS**

Bart Van der Meer representative from Volunteering Northland provided a report to Council on their activities.

## **4 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Provincial Growth Fund updates

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Cr Tania McInnes

**That Council confirm the minutes of the:**

- a) Council meeting held 28 February 2019 as a true and correct record**
- b) Extraordinary Council meeting held 4 April 2019 as a true and correct record**

**CARRIED**

## **6 BAY OF ISLANDS-WHANGAROA COMMUNITY BOARD**

### **6.1 LEASE RUSSELL TOWN HALL SHOP**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Cr Colin Kitchen

**That Council**

- a) enters into a 3x3x3 year commercial lease of the Russell Town Hall Shop with Bay of Islands Kayak Tours Ltd.**
- b) approves that the General Manager Infrastructure and Asset Management is authorised to negotiate and agree to the terms and conditions of the lease on the premises on commercial terms and subject to relevant Council policies and legislation.**
- c) agrees that in accordance with Section 94 of the Reserves Act 1977, Council authorizes the use of the Local Purpose (Public Hall) Reserve in front of the premises by Bay of Islands Kayak Tours Ltd to park and display kayaks during business hours.**
- d) agrees that the General Manager Infrastructure and Asset Management is authorised to negotiate and agree to the terms and conditions of the permit to use the reserve, subject to relevant Council policies and legislation.**

**CARRIED**

## **DEPUTATIONS (CONTINUED)**

Myles Taylor representative from Fire Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) spoke regarding the local community profiling project.

## **7 AUDIT, RISK, AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

### **7.1 AMENDMENTS TO RATING RELIEF POLICIES**

Councillor Court declared an interest and withdrew from the table

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Mayor John Carter

**That Council approves the following amendments to the Rating Relief Policies prior to consultation:**

- a) **The Transitional Farmland policy is re-instated**
- b) **The Treaty Settlement Lands policy is amended to include settlements approved prior to 1 July 2018**
- c) **The Common Use Properties policy is amended to include commercial enterprises and residential properties**
- d) **The Landlocked Land policy is amended to refer Maori land issues to the Maori Land Court for decision**
- e) **The Land Subject to Protection for Outstanding Natural Landscape, Cultural, Historic or Ecological Purposes policy is amended to include covenants approved under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 (or Historic Places Act 1993)**
- f) **The Residential Rates for Senior Citizens policy is amended to provide clarity for conditions 1 and 4 to allow staff to apply the conditions fairly to all applicants.**

**CARRIED**

Councillor Court returned to the table

## **DEPUTATIONS (CONTINUED)**

Representatives from Far North Youth Mentoring Programme, accompanied by Council staff, Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Member Rachel Smith, and Councillor Kelly Stratford introduced themselves to Mayor and Councillors.

Attendance: Councillor Hookway left the meeting at 10:55 am and returned to the meeting at 10:57 am.

## **8 INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT GROUP**

### **8.1 MAROMAKU DOMAIN NETBALL COURTS**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

seconded: Cr Felicity Foy

**That the Council:**

- a) **uplift the report Maromaku Domain Netball Courts from the table**
- b) **note the report Maromaku Domain Netball Courts**
- c) **approve the use of the existing budget of \$371,370 less expenditure previously incurred, to progress the project having the following scope:**
  - i. **Demolish the existing three netball courts.**
  - ii. **Provide two full size netball courts, two tennis courts, and a hockey training facility.**
  - iii. **Playing surfaces finished with artificial turf.**
- d) **continue to seek a contribution from the community, comprising funding, materials or labour.**

**CARRIED**

Councillors Foy and McInnes requested their votes against the motion be recorded

## **8.2 INCLUSION OF TE RANGI CROSS ROAD IN THE SCHEDULE OF THE FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL MAINTAINED ROADS**

This item was withdrawn at the request of the Chief Executive

## **8.3 PROGRESS UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DISTRICT WIDE PRIORITISATION MATRIX TO ENABLE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2019-2020 FY**

This item was withdrawn at the request of the Chief Executive

## **9 DISTRICT SERVICES GROUP**

### **9.1 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT DELEGATIONS**

Councillor Foy declared an interest and withdrew from the discussion in regard to this item

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Cr Ann Court

**That Council approve the delegations set out in the Resource Management Act Delegations Schedule 2019 with effect from 19 April 2019.**

**CARRIED**

## **10 STRATEGIC PLANNING AND POLICY GROUP**

### **10.1 SPEED LIMITS BYLAW REVIEW**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Cr Mate Radich

**That the Council:**

- a) **adopt the Proposed Speed Limits Bylaw 2019 for consultation (Attachment 1).**
- b) **authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make any necessary minor edits or amendments to the attached Proposed Speed Limits Bylaw 2019 prior to consultation to correct any spelling or typographical errors.**

**CARRIED**

## **11 CORPORATE SERVICES GROUP**

### **11.1 LEASE COUNCIL BUILDING 11 PARNELL STREET, RAWENE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Cr Felicity Foy

**That the matter be referred back to staff and returned to the table with the appropriate community board recommendation.**

**CARRIED**

## **11.2 LOCAL BILL AMENDING THE ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY ACT 2010**

Councillor Court declared an interest and withdrew from the table

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Cr Tania McInnes

**That the Far North District Council supports and adopts an amended local bill that will:**

- a) Have the effect of removing the application of the Electricity Industry Act 2010 insofar as it relates to prohibitions on common management of distributors with interests in generation in the Far North District; and**
- b) In substitution empower the Council to set requirements relating to common management of such distributors; and**
- c) Approve the principles set out in the attached Schedule upon which an application which is made by a distributor under the terms of the bill will be considered.**

**CARRIED**

Councillor Court returned to the table

## **11.3 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT - INCLUSIVE GROWTH SUMMIT 19 MARCH 2019 AND ROAD CONTROLLING AUTHORITIES FORUM 29 MARCH 2019**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Cr Tania McInnes

**That Council note the report entitled “Elected Member Report - Inclusive Growth Summit, 19 March 2019 and Road Controlling Authorities Forum, 29 March 2019”.**

**CARRIED**

## **11.4 CEO REPORT TO COUNCIL 01 FEBRUARY 2019 - 31 MARCH 2019 - SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Mayor John Carter

**That the Council receive the report “CEO Report to Council 01 February 2019 - 31 March 2019”.**

**CARRIED**

Attendance: Mayor Carter left the meeting at 11:43 am and returned at 11:45 am.

Attendance: Councillor Kitchen left the meeting at 12:23 pm and returned at 12:26 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:14 pm and resumed at 1:50 pm

**11 PUBLIC EXCLUDED****RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC****RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Cr Colin Kitchen

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<b>General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution</b>
<b>12.1 – Confirmation of Previous Minutes – Public Excluded</b>	s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7
<b>12.2 - Te Pu o Te Wheke project</b>	s7(2)(f)(i) - free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of any local authority  s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities  s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7

**CARRIED**

**12 MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 2:41 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the meeting held on 27 June 2019

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**CHAIRPERSON**