

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL  
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVENUE, KAIKOHE  
ON TUESDAY, 4 MAY 2021 AT 3.08 PM**

- PRESENT:** Mayor John Carter (HWTM), Deputy Mayor Ann Court, Cr David Clendon, Cr Dave Collard, Cr Felicity Foy, Cr Mate Radich, Cr Rachel Smith, Cr Kelly Stratford, Cr Moko Tepania, Cr John Vujcich
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Emma Davis (Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Deputy Chairperson), Adele Gardner via video-conference (Te Hiku Community Board Chairperson), Belinda Ward (Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board)
- STAFF PRESENT:** Shaun Clarke (Chief Executive Officer), Andy Finch (General Manager Infrastructure and Asset Management), Dean Myburgh (General Manager District Services), William J Taylor, MBE (General Manager Strategic Planning and Policy - Acting), Jaime Dyhrberg (General Manager - Corporate Services - Acting)

### **1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA – OPENING PRAYER**

Cr Moko Tepania commenced the meeting with a prayer.

Council observed a moments silence to acknowledge the passing of Dave Cull, former Local Government New Zealand President, with a minutes silence.

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

Nil

### **3 DEPUTATION**

Patrica Tauroa and Anaru Kuru representing wāhine of Whangaroa, spoke to Council in regards to Item 5.1 – Notice of Motion – Establishment of Māori Wards.

Mane Tahere representing Ngāpuhi Iwi, spoke to Council in regards to Item 5.1 – Notice of Motion – Establishment of Māori Wards.

Te Waihoroi Shortland representing Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hine, spoke to Council in regards to Item 5.1 – Notice of Motion – Establishment of Māori Wards.

Aperahama Kerepeti-Edward representing Ngāti Wai Trust Board, spoke to Council in regards to Item 5.1 – Notice of Motion – Establishment of Māori Wards.

Darlene Tana-Hoffrielson and Ipu Absolum, spoke to Council in regards to Item 5.1 – Notice of Motion – Establishment of Māori Wards.

### **4 NOTICE OF MOTION**

#### **4.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF MĀORI WARDS**

Agenda item 5.1 document number A3169815, pages 12 - 12 refers.

#### **MOTION**

Moved: Cr Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Rachel Smith

That the Far North District Council establish Māori wards in accordance with Schedule 1, Part 1,

2(1) of the Local Electoral Act for the 2022 and 2025 local government elections.

#### **AMENDMENT**

Moved: Mayor John Carter

Seconded: Cr Dave Collard

That Council resolves:

- a) to hold a non-binding poll on Māori Wards as part of the 2022 Council elections.
- b) recommends that having been informed by the poll results, that the incoming Council considers introducing Māori Wards for the 2025 elections.
- c) Council immediately reconsiders its current committee structure and membership and delegations to ensure Iwi/Hapu membership to Council and Community Board Committees.

**LOST**

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/13**

Moved: Cr Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Mayor John Carter

**That Council:**

- b) immediately reconsiders its current committee structure and membership and delegations to ensure Iwi/Hapu membership to Council Committees and Community Board Committees.**

**CARRIED**

The amendment becomes the substantive motion:

#### **RESOLUTION 2021/14**

**That the Far North District Council:**

- a) establish Māori wards in accordance with Schedule 1, Part 1, 2(1) of the Local Electoral Act for the 2022 and 2025 local government elections.**
- b) immediately reconsiders its current committee structure and membership and delegations to ensure Iwi/Hapu membership to Council Committees and Community Board Committees.**

**CARRIED**

In Favour: His Worship the Mayor John Carter, Crs David Clendon, Mate Radich, Rachel Smith, Kelly Stratford, Moko Tepania and John Vujcich

Against: Deputy Mayor Ann Court, Crs Dave Collard and Felicity Foy

## **5 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA – CLOSING PRAYER**

The meeting was closed with a waiata – Te Ngā Puawai o Ngāpuhi.

## **6 MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 4.40 pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Council meeting to be held on 20 May 2021.

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**CHAIRPERSON**