
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Waimate District Council held in the Local Government Centre, Queen Street, Waimate on Tuesday 20th December 2005 at 8.30am



Present

His Worship the Mayor, Mr J.G. Coles (Chair)
Councillors M.L. Andrew, M.J. Balchin, P Foley, J.S. Gibson, M Henderson,
P.F. McIlraith, J.O. Rayner, A.M. Townend.

In Attendance

Chief Executive Officer (J.E. Maxwell)
Mayor's Personal Assistant (M Thomson)
Administration Officer (J Larcombe)
1 member of the media (Timaru Herald)
1 Member of the media (Oamaru Mail)

Opening Prayer

His Worship the Mayor read the opening prayer.

Minutes

RESOLVED, THAT THE MINUTES OF THE:

- ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON:
(I) TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2005
- HEARINGS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON:
(I) TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2005
- NZ LOCAL AUTHORITY ARTS SCHEME ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON:
(I) WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2005

BE RECEIVED.

Mov Cr Rayner / Sec Cr Gibson

Carried.

CO 1 N.Z. Police

Sergeant Van der Heyden of the Waimate Police was in attendance and addressed the Council:

- Local Waimate officer served six months in the Solomons.
- Currently a staff shortage at Waimate.
- Noted increase in youth offending.
- Youth offenders often given local community service.
- Five vehicles taken off road last month.
- Security cameras utilised extensively - another camera would be of benefit.
- Police running blue light ventures, school camps, etc.

Sergeant Van der Heyden thanked Council for its support over the previous year.

Reports

His Worship the Mayor

His Worship the Mayor reported on the following:

- Recognition of achievers who further their qualifications
- Mayoral Forum
- Meetings and functions attended

RESOLVED, THAT THE REPORT OF HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR BE RECEIVED.

Mov His Worship the Mayor / Sec Cr Rayner

Carried.

Chief Executive Officer

The Chief Executive Officer reported on the following:

- Members of Committee's
- Questions on operational matters
- Current workload

RESOLVED, THAT THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER BE RECEIVED.

Mov Cr McIlraith / Sec Cr Henderson

Carried.

Matters Arising

Staff and Committees

RESOLVED, THAT THE MOTION PASSED AT THE MEETING OF 15 NOVEMBER 2005 APPOINTING COUNCIL STAFF MEMBER L.E. RAWSTORN TO COUNCIL'S FORESTRY COMMITTEE BE RESCINDED.

Mov Cr McIlraith / Sec Cr Townend

Carried.

General Business

R10

District Plan Changes

Council at its last meeting approved the District Plan change date as the 10 December. The Manager, Planning and Regulatory had changed the operative date to meet revised advertising deadlines, and accordingly sought to amend Council's previous resolution.

RESOLVED, THAT THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING BE RECINDED, THE RESOLUTION BEING:

'THAT PURSUANT TO SECTION 73 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 AND CLAUSE 17 OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 THE WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES PLAN CHANGES 1 TO 9 TO THE WAIMATE DISTRICT PLAN. THIS APPROVAL IS TO BE EFFECTED BY THE AFFIXING OF THE SEAL OF THE WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL. IT IS ALSO RESOLVED THAT THE WAIMATE DISTRICT PLAN SHALL BECOME OPERATIVE ON THE 10TH DECEMBER 2005.'

AND THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE PUT:

'THAT PURSUANT TO SECTION 73 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 AND CLAUSE 17 OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 THE WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES PLAN CHANGES 1 TO 9 TO THE WAIMATE DISTRICT PLAN. THIS APPROVAL IS TO BE EFFECTED BY THE AFFIXING OF THE SEAL OF THE WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL. IT IS ALSO RESOLVED THAT THE WAIMATE DISTRICT PLAN SHALL BECOME OPERATIVE ON THE 22ND DECEMBER 2005.'

Mov Cr Gibson / Sec Cr Foley

Carried.

CO4

Civic Pride Awards

Councillor Foley requested that Council give due consideration to the establishment of a Civic Pride Award to recognise efforts made to enhance individuals properties and homes.

RESOLVED, THAT "COUNCIL WORK WITH LOCAL SERVICE CLUBS TO INITIATE CIVIC PRIDE AWARDS COMMENCING EARLY 2006. THE VIABILITY OF THE AWARDS TO BE RE-ASSESSED AT THE END OF 2006.

Mov Cr Foley / Sec Cr Andrew

As an Amendment

Moved, that the assessment of the Awards take place at the end of 2007.

Mov Cr Gibson / Sec Cr Rayner

Lost

The original motion became substantive, which was put and

Carried.

CO4

Development Contributions

The Senior Policy Analyst reported on available options on potential for extending Council infrastructure (principally sewerage, urban water and roading) to areas of quality new housing on the Waimate urban fringe.

Indicative costs of extending infrastructure appear to be a barrier to many landowners, with no obvious conclusions to be drawn from consultation to date.

Council gave due consideration to the options of either continuing work on extending infrastructure or not.

RESOLVED, THAT COUNCIL CONSIDER THAT THERE IS ENOUGH SUPPORT TO CONTINUE WORK ON EXTENDING INFRASTRUCTURE AT THIS TIME.

Mov Cr Rayner / Sec Cr Henderson

Carried.

Noted: Councillor Balchin recorded his vote against the motion.

R4

Heritage Fund Request

The St Patricks Church Restoration Trust applied for a remission of a Building Consent fee by way of a grant from Council's Heritage Fund in the sum of \$947.

RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT IN THE SUM OF \$947 BE APPROVED FROM COUNCIL'S REGULATORY BUDGET.

Mov Cr McIlraith / Sec Cr Foley

Carried.

Note: The approval is from Council's Planning and Regulatory budget as distinct from it's Heritage Fund.

Citizenship Ceremony

His Worship the Mayor introduced and welcomed Mr Barry Rivett, Ms Jean Rivett and Mrs Kathryn Wigley and accordingly invited them to undertake the New Zealand Citizenship Oath of Allegiance / Oath of Affirmation.

Each candidate complied accordingly and His Worship the Mayor congratulated the recipients and presented them with the New Zealand Citizenship Certificates.

The candidates joined His Worship the Mayor and Council for morning tea.

The meeting adjourned at 10.20 a.m.
The meeting re-convened at 10.40 a.m.

R4

Heritage Fund Request

The Paterson's Cottage Charitable Trust sought assistance in the sum of \$2,000.00 from Council's Heritage Fund towards upgrade of the Cottage.

RESOLVED, THAT COUNCIL APPROVE A GRANT FROM ITS HERITAGE FUND IN THE SUM OF \$ 1,500.00 TO THE PATERSON'S COTTAGE CHARITABLE TRUST.

Mov Cr Gibson / Sec Cr Foley

Carried.

Note: Cr McIlraith declared his interest in this item and did not take part in discussion or voting.

SD1

Free Greenwaste for Full Loads

District Council Landfill

The Solid Waste Manager reported that with the increasing popularity of bins, there does not appear to be adequate incentives in place to encourage the separation of recoverable greenwaste from the general waste stream currently going to the landfill.

It was proposed that full loads of compostable greenwaste be free at the Resource Recovery Park from 1st January 2006, for a trial period of six months.

A trial period is chosen to allow staff to access the benefits before a commitment to a permanent change is considered.

RESOLVED, THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THAT LOADS OF QUALIFYING GREENWASTE BE ADMITTED FREE OF CHARGE TO WAIMATE'S RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK DURING OPEN HOURS FOR A TRIAL PERIOD OF 6 MONTHS, COMMENCING 1ST FEBRUARY 2006.

Mov Cr Henderson / Sec Cr Gibson

Carried.

RO3

Queen Street Parking

The Roading Engineer sought approval to impose a 10 minute maximum period of continuous parking restriction on Queen Street for users of the Public Toilets.

Council had received a request to provide two 10 minute car parks on Queen Street for the Public toilets.

RESOLVED, THAT THE PARKING OF VEHICLES BE RESTRICTED TO A MAXIMUM PERIOD OF 10 MINUTES ON THE SOUTH-EAST SIDE OF QUEEN STREET, COMMENCING AT A POINT 20 METRES FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH VICTORIA TERRACE AND EXTENDING IN AN SOUTH-WESTERLY DIRECTION FOR A DISTANCE OF 9 METRES.

Mov Cr Henderson / Sec Cr Foley

Carried.

The meeting convened at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of undertaking a workshop.
The meeting re-convened at 3.15 p.m.

A3

Options for LTCCP

Councillor Townend reported that it would be preferable for Council to give staff an option with a financial capping for the production of the 2006 – 16 LTCCP.

MOVED, THAT COUNCIL GIVE STAFF AN OPTION WITH A FINANCIAL CAPPING FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE 2006-16 LTCCP.

Mov Cr Foley / Sec Cr McIlraith

As An Amendment

Moved, that Council allow for funding for compliance and acceptability of the 2006/16 Council LTCCP.

Mov Cr Henderson / No Seconder

As An Amendment

RESOLVED, THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE LTCCP UPDATE PLAN FOR 2006/16 AS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL ON THE 20TH DECEMBER 2005.

Mov Cr Gibson / Sec Cr Rayner

Carried.

Note: Council noted its intent is to minimise unnecessary costs.

A3

Professional Development

Internal Audit Committee

Councillor McIlraith requested that Council give due consideration to approving attendance at an Institute of Directors Course as a preliminary step to forming an Audit Committee for Council in 2006.

The course duration is one day in Wellington on Tuesday 28th March 2006.

RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL APPROVE THIS FIRST STEP, AND FURTHER SET A TIME FRAME TO RESOLVE WHETHER TO FORM SUCH A COMMITTEE AND SET SPECIFIC "TERMS OF REFERENCE" FOR SUCH A COMMITTEE.

Mov Cr McIlraith / Sec Cr Townend

Carried.

SD1

Draft new Constituting Agreement and Proposed Membership of Canterbury Regional Council

The Solid Waste Manager reported that it was proposed to present a new draft Constituting Agreement for the Canterbury Joint Standing Committee and to further consider the issue of the proposed membership of the Canterbury Regional Council.

It was proposed to invite Environment Canterbury to become a participating Council for regional waste minimisation purposes, and to invite Waitaki District Council as much of their district is considered within the Canterbury catchment.

RESOLVED, THAT COUNCIL ENDORSES:

A) THE ADOPTION OF THE SUBMITTED DRAFT NEW CONSTITUTING AGREEMENTS FOR TWO SEPARATE JOINT COMMITTEES, THE CANTERBURY WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE AND THE CANTERBURY REGIONAL LANDFILL JOINT COMMITTEE.

B) EXTENDING A FORMAL INVITATION TO THE CANTERBURY REGIONAL COUNCIL TO CONSIDER THE APPROVED VERSION OF THE NEW DRAFT CONSTITUTING AGREEMENT AS A BASIS FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE MEMBERSHIP.

C) EXTENDING A FORMAL INVITATION TO THE WAITAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL TO JOIN THE CANTERBURY WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE UPON ITS FORMATION.

Mov Cr Henderson / Sec Cr Gibson

Carried.

E12

National Environmental Standards for Human Drinking-Water Sources

The Asset Manager reported on the National Environmental Standard for human drinking-water sources and the submission on the proposed standard.

RESOLVED, THAT COUNCIL:

A) RECEIVE THIS REPORT FROM STAFF, AND

B) ENDORSE THE SUBMISSION MADE TO MFE, ON COUNCIL'S BEHALF, AND

C) FORWARD THE OUTCOME OF THIS DELIBERATION TO MFE.

Mov Cr Gibson / Sec Cr Rayner

Carried.

Matters Arising

RESOLVED, THAT APPROVAL BE GIVEN FOR COUNCILLOR GIBSON TO SET A MEETING WITH FEDERATED FARMERS IN CONSIDERATION OF THIS ISSUE.

Mov Cr McIlraith / Sec Cr Foley

Carried.

SD 1

Solid Waste Costs Post Recycling

The Solid Waste Manager reported on the before and after comparisons of solid waste costs following the introduction of kerbside recycling.

Analysis of the period 1st July 2005 to 31st October 2005 compared to the same four months in 2004 indicates that an over budget of \$120,000 was predicted.

IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCIL:-

(A) ACCEPT THE PROJECTED LOSS OF \$120,000 APPROXIMATELY THIS FINANCIAL YEAR, OR

(B) IMPLEMENT SOME OR ALL OF THE OPTIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE PROPOSAL THAT WOULD ACHIEVE, IN AGGREGATE, A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED SAVING OF \$85,000 TO 30TH JUNE 2006

RESOLVED, THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED FOR CONSIDERATION TO A COUNCIL WORKSHOP.

Mov Cr Rayner / Sec Cr Andrew

Carried.

CO1

Information Reports

The information reports for December 2005 had been circulated to all Councillors.

Matters Arising

It was noted that Council's G.I.S. Officer had recently submitted a design detail colour contour map to a map competition run by Local Government Mapinfo Users Group, and attained first prize.

RESOLVED, THAT AN APPROPRIATE LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS BE FORWARDED TO MR ANDREW HARE OF COUNCIL'S STAFF.

Mov Cr Henderson / Sec Cr Gibson

Carried.

Downlands Water Scheme

RESOLVED, THAT COUNCIL'S STANCE ON THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BE THAT THERE BE ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH AUTHORITY ON THIS COMMITTEE.

Mov Cr Foley / Sec Cr Gibson

Carried.

Public Excluded

RESOLVED, THAT THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED FROM THE FOLLOWING PARTS OF THIS MEETING, NAMELY:

1. **CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC EXCLUDED MINUTES OF:**
 - a) ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON:
 - (I) TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2005
2. **ALPINE ENERGY REPORT**
3. **CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW & REMUNERATION**

Mov Cr Rayner / Sec Cr Andrew

Carried.

The general subject 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(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, for the passing of this resolution, are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
1 Council Minutes	To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence	48(1)(a)(i)

2 Alpine Energy Report	To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence	48(1)(a)(i)
3 CEO Performance Review & Remuneration	To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence	48(1)(a)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance of 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 Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, are as follows:

Items 1, 2, & 3	To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence.	7(2)(c)
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On Resuming

The meeting concluded at 5.05 p.m.

Confirmed at a meeting of Council held
This 21st day of February 2006

Mayor