



Report of the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting of the Waimate District Council held in the Local Government Centre, Queen Street, Waimate on Tuesday 14th December 2004 at 1.35pm.

Present

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

In Attendance

Chief Executive Officer (J E Maxwell)
Corporate Services Manager (L E Rawston)
Administration Officer (J D Larcombe)

Minutes

RESOLVED, THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2004 BE RECEIVED.

Mov Cr Shaw/ Sec His Worship the Mayor

Carried

Matters Arising

Noted that a presentation would be made to Council from Centrecare.

Civil Defence Committee

It was reported that there was a requirement for a Civil Defence Committee of Council to be set up.

RESOLVED, THAT HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR M BALCHIN AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO BE CONFIRMED TO THE COMMITTEE.

Mov Cr Gibson / Sec Cr McIlraith

Carried

Civil Defence Welfare

It was reported that during a recent Civil defence exercise, there had been a lack of public interest, even though the operation had been widely advertised.

It was advised that the concept of a civil defence education day had been approved and this would be an annual event to bring together mandate holders and district wide welfare volunteers for training and to test civil defence equipment.

This would also be an opportunity for the public to come along and learn about welfare in a civil defence emergency.

Proposed Recognition Functions

Mr Bill Penno

His Worship the Mayor reported that a letter had been received from Mr Ian Jefferies requesting that a function recognising Mr Bill Penno's contribution to the district as South Canterbury's councillor on the Regional Council, be held.

RESOLVED THAT THE REQUEST BE DECLINED

Mov Cr Balchin / Sec Cr Gibson.

Carried

Mr Heath Blackgrove

His Worship the Mayor reported that a letter had been received from Mr John Foley requesting that a function recognising Mr Heath Blackgrove's achievements be held.

RESOLVED, THAT MR HEATH BLACKGROVE BE INVITED TO MORNING TEA WITH COUNCIL AS A PUBLIC APPRECIATION OF HIS ACHIEVEMENTS TO THE DISTRICT.

Mov Cr Foley / Sec Cr Shaw

Carried

Waimate Sports Stadium Funding Shortfall

The Stadium Committee wrote advising that there was an urgent need to sand the floor at the Stadium and the contractors were due to commence this work in January 2005.

The Committee has a shortfall of \$7,945 for the project and has requested Council's due consideration in this matter.

Council has no surplus budget which would be available and the only available funding is via the District Council Sports Loan Fund account.

This account was originally set up as a proposed joint venture between Council and the then Hillary Commission with the express purpose of providing sporting clubs and like with low interest loan monies.

The fund self perpetuates with repayments and currently retains a balance of \$13,604.

RECOMMENDED, THAT A LOAN IN THE SUM OF \$8,000 BE OFFERED TO THE WAIMATE STADIUM COMMITTEE ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS.

- TERM OF LOAN TO BE FIVE YEARS.
- INTEREST AND PRINCIPLE REPAYABLE SIX MONTHLY

THE LOAN TO BE SUBJECT TO THE ABILITY OF THE COMMITTEE TO MEET THE REPAYMENTS TO THE SATISFACTION OF COUNCIL'S CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER.

Mov Cr Andrew/Sec Cr Foley

Carried

Ministry for the Environment Project Aqua Costs

During the currency of Project Aqua, Council staff were involved in additional duties which incurred significant additional costs to Council.

The Minister for the Environment had indicated that there was funding available to assist Councils with these costs

The Waimate District Council had claimed costs of \$127,043 with the Ministry for the Environment offering \$50,500 in settlement.

The calculation of the percentage re-imburement costs were detailed for the information of Council.

RESOLVED, THAT A COUNTER CLAIM BE LODGED BY COUNCIL.

Mov Cr Foley / Sec Cr Gibson

Carried

Canterbury Councils Triennial Agreement

It was advised that the Local Government Act 2002 requires Councils to have a formal understanding with their immediate neighbours that covers protocols for communication and the general way in which they will work together.

The Triennial Agreement requires confirmation after each local authority election.

RESOLVED, THAT THE WAIMATE DISTRICT COUNCIL REAFFIRM ITS COMMITMENT TO THE CANTERBURY COUNCILS TRIENNIAL AGREEMENT AND AUTHORISE HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENT.

Mov His Worship the Mayor / Sec Cr Shaw

Carried

Councillors Remunerations & Expenses

The final determinations had been advised for Councillors remunerations and these had now been set out for the due information of Council.

Councillors Meetings

Councillors reported on the meetings they had attended for the due information of Council.

Public Excluded

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

1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATION

Mov Cr Shaw/ Sec His Worship the Mayor

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 the matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution.
Economic Development Fund Application	To protect information which the subject to an obligation 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 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 holding of the whole of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, are as follows:

Item 1	To protect information which is subject to an obligation of Confidence.
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On Resuming

The meeting concluded at 3-50p.m.

Confirmed at a meeting of Council held
This 25th day of January 2005

Chairman