

STANWAY HALCOMBE RURAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

Committee Meeting Minutes

Stanway Halcombe Rural Water Supply Committee Meeting

Halcombe Hotel, Halcombe

7 May 2026

4.10 pm - 5.00 pm

| TOPIC | DETAILS | ACTION |
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| Attendance | <p>Committee:</p> <p>Colin McFadzean, Timothy Porter, Stewart Addenbrooke, Jeff Lane.</p> <p>Manawatu District Council:</p> <p>Hamish Waugh - Infrastructure General Manager, Wiremu Greening - Utilities Manager, Gavin Cobcroft – Reticulation Services Foreman, Richard Patterson - Financial Accountant, Beryl Mingins – Technical Infrastructure Support Officer, Anna Thompson – Infrastructure Support Manager.</p> | |
| Opening | <p>The meeting was opened by Colin McFadzean, Chair, at 4.10pm.</p> | |
| Apologies | <p>Richard Waugh, George Bartlett, Michael Abbiss, Adam Jamieson-MDC Operations Manager</p> | |
| Minutes of the last AGM meeting: | <p>Deferred to Next AGM – date to be advised.</p> | |

Chairpersons
Report and
Scheme
update:

General Discussion:

- Hamish Waugh gave a brief explanation of the new three water entity. Manawatu Water Services Committee.
- Resource Consent due for renewal in December 2027, cost unknown but could be high, Hamish explained we are aiming for a 35 year consent.
- Colin would like the Committee to gain the approval of Iwi prior to the resource consent expiry date.
- Colin explained the Civil Defence Strategy that had been discussed with the two Marae's Halcombe and Tokorangi he suggested that the community waives the infrastructure water charge and that Council deliver 8 water tanker loads of water – equivalent to 1.5 units of water in return for them being available for civil defence emergencies.

For the other two maraes we will waive the costs of 5 units all up as a gesture of goodwill. This will not impact on billable units.

A hydrant is available at the new reservoir the water tanker has been allowed to take water from there and he has to turn up to 3 fire callouts annually.

The Committee was all in agreeance with the above.

A discussion was had around costs of power and Tim Porter suggested the Committee look into solar panels because of the rising power costs. The Committee are going to do some further research.

Colin presented the attached recommendation and explained depreciation and reserves and the proposed reduction in the annual water deliver charge (water rate).

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| | <p>MOTION: That the chairman's recommendation be accepted.</p> <p>MOVED: Stu Addenbrooke</p> <p>SECONDED: Tim Porter</p> <p>VOTE: Carried</p> | |
| Next Meeting | To be advised | |
| Closure | The Chair closed the meeting at 5.00pm | |

SHRWS Reserves Policy Recommendation

Background

- The scheme has approximately \$480,000 of reserves.
- In place is a constitution where the committee of the SHRWS can make a recommendation on the annual charge and the Manawatu Water Services (MWS) committee can accept a recommendation from the committee as to the retained reserves.
- The resource consent renewal is due to expire on 31 December 2027 and if contested could cost an estimated \$150,000.
- The new MWS terms of reference allows for the authorisation of expenditure outside of the Annual Plan and Long Term Plan process, that is not covered out of infrastructure replacement by depreciation funding, providing that there are reserves held within the SHRWS accounts.

Recommendation

That the SHRWS committee agrees to:

1. Retain \$150,000 of reserves to fund the resource consent renewal process.
2. Retain \$100 per unit (\$150,400 - 2026-2027 year) as an operational buffer to cover unplanned expenditure.
3. Pay down the reserves amount less point one and two as above off the debt loan of approximately \$180,000 this to be actioned as at the end of June 2026.
4. The proposed SHRWS annual water delivery charge (water rate) for the 2026/2027 year be set at \$460.00 incl GST per unit.

Policy to be reviewed yearly to comply with the MWS budgeting period.

Proposed by:

Seconded by:

Date