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Minutes of a meeting of Ngā Manu Tāiko Manawatū District Council held on Tuesday 11 February 2020, commencing at 6.03pm in the Manawatū District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

KUA TAE MAI / PRESENT:	Councillor Alison Short Her Worship the Mayor Councillor Stuart Campbell Councillor Hilary Humphrey Councillor Phil Marsh Kipa Arapere Makareta Casey Kathryn Knowles Piri-Hira Tukapua Atiria Reid Maria Maraku-Harrison	(Chairperson) (via teleconference for part) Poupatate Marae Kauwhata Marae Te Iwa Marae Paranui Marae Te Hiiri Marae Kotuku Marae
NGĀ WHAKAPAHA / APOLOGIES:	Wiremu Te Awe Awe Trieste Te Awe Awe Amiria Arapere	Te Rangimārie Marae Te Rangimārie Marae Parewahawaha Marae
IN ATTENDANCE:	Jerald Twomey Clinton Vincent Christine Elers Ihaia Raharuhi Tāruke Karatea Miriamā Kereama Judy Mātaki Florence Farquar Hori Mātaki Vanessa Miller Shane Elers Richard Templer Brent Limmer Frances Smorti Janine Hawthorn Rārite Mātaki Matthew Mackay Allie Dunn	Horizons Regional Council Chief Executive General Manager – Community and Strategy General Manager – People and Culture Community Development Adviser Kaitohu Aporei – Māori (Principal Adviser – Māori) Principal Policy Planner Governance Team Leader

NMT 20/017 OPENING KARAKIA

Kipa Arapere provided a karakia tīmatanga to open the meeting.

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NMT 20/018 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

That the apologies received from Wiremu Te Awe Awe and Trieste Te Awe Awe, Amiria Arapere and the apology for lateness from Councillor Hilary Humphrey be accepted.

Moved by: Makareta Casey

Seconded by: Kipa Arapere

CARRIED

NMT 20/019 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were two items of late business notified for consideration by the committee. The first item was a presentation seeking research and consideration of zoning rules in the District Plan in regard to enabling more than one dwelling to be built on Māori freehold land in the Manawatū District. The second item was regarding a consent issued by Horizons Regional Council to Rangitīkei Aggregates near iwi land.

Councillor Stuart Campbell joined the meeting at 6.13pm.

RESOLVED

That the following item notified after the publication of the agenda be accepted as an item of late business for discussion at this meeting:

Presentation regarding housing on Māori land

Moved by: Piri-Hira Tukapua

Seconded by: Mayor Helen Worboys

CARRIED

RESOLVED

That the following item notified after the publication of the agenda be accepted as an item of late business for discussion at this meeting:

Consent issued for Quarry Operations, Onepuhi Road in the Rangitīkei District

Moved by: Atiria Reid

Seconded by: Kipa Arapere

CARRIED

NMT 20/020 LATE ITEM - HOUSING ON MAORI LAND

Clinton Vincent, Christine Elers and Ihaia Raharuhi spoke to a presentation outlining their concerns about how Māori land was zoned by both the Manawatū District

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Council and Horizons Regional Council District Plans. They talked about the 2011 performance audit report by the Controller and Auditor General, "Government Planning and Support for Housing on Māori Land." This was a nationwide report on the potential of housing on Māori Land nationwide, noting that this report was available online.

Maria Maraku-Harrison joined the meeting at 6.25pm.

They gave a summary of the report, noting the report began by asking Māori what Māori land meant for them, then covered barriers to building houses on Māori land. Some of these barriers related to local government, including district planning rules.

They spoke about the Manawatū District Plan rule B3 regarding Rural Zones. One of the controlled activities was the erection of more than one dwelling on rural land, unless resource consent was sought. This affected Māori land that was in the rural zone.

They gave an example of Papakainga zoning used by Hastings District Council in their District Plan, which gives the flexibility to establish housing on Māori land.

They asked that Council undertake research to determine the implementation of a Papakainga zone as a districtwide activity to enable housing to be built on Māori land and that Rule B3 3.2.1(ii) in the Council's District Plan be amended / deleted accordingly. They saw having the ability to build on Māori land as being a way to help their future generations and would like to engage and work with Council on this matter.

Councillor Alison Short noted that the District Plan Rural Zone was due for review and had started, so this was a good time to bring this matter before the Council.

Councillor Phil Marsh joined the meeting at 6.32pm.

The Chief Executive thanked Ihaia, Christine and Clinton for coming to talk to the meeting and expressed appreciation for the positive and proactive way they talked about working together to meet housing needs. From the Council's perspective he said they were very keen to engage around this and the team working on the District Plan would want to contact them for further discussions. He noted that as Council worked through the review of the District Plan they could look at ways of incorporating appropriate zoning. Council would be looking for guidance for the areas for designation, and also have a conversation with Horizons Regional Council about managing the environmental impacts.

Councillor Stuart Campbell and Councillor Alison Short noted that one of Council's key focuses was around housing in general and what Council could do to assist in those challenges.

Committee members asked that it be noted in the minutes that the presentation was well received and supported.

NMT 20/021 LATE ITEM - CONSENT ISSUED FOR QUARRY ONEPUHI ROAD, MARTON

Tāruke Karatea spoke about a matter of concern for whanaunga in Tokorangi Valley.

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She noted that two months ago at Tokorangi Marae, a kaupapa was brought to the committee that Horizons Regional Council had granted resource consent to Rangitikei Aggregates to establish a new extraction site. The site of the quarry was across the river from where they live, and noted that her family was sixth generation on that river. She spoke about how their landscape was precious and dear to past generations and all those to come. They were advised that the consent was granted as a non-notifiable consent. Rangitikei Aggregates had purchased a block of land across the river and had been given consent to extract 9 million tonnes of gravel over 30 years. She spoke about how representatives from their marae had formed a working group and were working on how they could oppose the granting of the consent. She spoke about a contingent they formed that visited Horizons Regional Council and sat in their meeting room. At this hui they each spoke about who they were and how they felt about being left out of that conversation and consent process. They invited representatives from Horizons Regional Council to visit them at Tokorangi Marae to see the effects on their whenua and what it would mean to them to look at the gravel quarry. She asked for Council to support them in opposing it and what that process would involve.

Kipa Arapere spoke about opposition to gravel extraction that had been expressed at meetings in the wider area. He also noted the proper spelling of Onepuhi Road was “Onepuehu” which meant gravel and sand.

He also expressed concern about the current low river levels and any possibility of running out of water in the future. He noted streams in their area that were currently dry.

The Chairperson asked members to keep Council up to date and noted that they would bring this matter up with the relevant areas.

NMT 20/022 ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Chairperson invited meeting attendees to share any items of interest, events or happenings for them over the past two months.

The Chairperson Councillor Alison Short shared her activities over the summer, which included:

- Travelling to the Bay of Islands;
- Spending an afternoon at Waitangi where she went on a guided tour;
- Seeing from the outside the newly constructed “Te Rau Aroha” Military Museum built to commemorate Māori service during times of conflict from 1840 onwards. She noted the museum was officially opened on Waitangi Day by Prime Minister Rt Hon Jacinda Adern, the Governor General Her Excellency the Rt Hon Dame Patsy Reddy, Willie Apiata VC and veteran Bob Gillies of the 28th Māori Battalion.

Makareta Casey of Kauwhata Marae noted she spent the holidays with her mokopuna, taking them to Kauwhata Marae where they were involved in tidying up activities at the marae.

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Mayor Helen Worboys gave an update on the Cactus programme that was currently running. She noted they received 70 applications for this course, so increased the numbers they accepted to 39 to accommodate this. Some of the students participating were from Hato Pāora College. She said the group participating in this term's programme were a very diverse group of people, representing different cultures, ages, academic ability and fitness. She spoke about the challenge from the Feilding High School gymnasium not being complete which meant they needed to use the Feilding Civic Centre for training. She invited everyone who wished to see what the programme does to come at 6.00am to the Feilding Civic Centre on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. She also noted they had a Facebook Page that people could join to keep up to date with their activities.

Piri-Hira Tukapua of Paranui Marae advised they recently held their first meeting of six scheduled for the year. Some concerns she had been asked to raise relate to the contamination at Ohakea airbase. Their Deputy Chairperson had engaged directly with the Ministry of Defence on that matter which they would continue to pursue. They also had concerns around Lake Koputara and aspirations for better dune management plan that they would like to advance. They put out an invitation for the Council to visit them this year.

Atiria Reid of Te Hiiri Marae spoke about the presentation made recently to Ngā Manu Tāiko regarding the Reureu Water Project. They would like to make contact with Council in the near future about how the Council could support marae and homes in that area to have access to the water scheme.

Councillor Phil Marsh spoke about the importance of taking action to help preserve the water quality and fisheries of our lakes. With regard to the Cactus Programme in the Manawatū district he advised they were also running Cactus programmes where he works at Tararua College and these receive good feedback from the students participating.

Kipa Arapere of Poupate Marae spoke about a message he received from Lisa Chase regarding the proposed water treatment project at Reureu. In the message she thanked Council and Ngā Manu Tāiko for allowing her to present on the proposed water project. He advised that in her message she also included an update on face to face discussions she had been involved in to progress the project. Her message noted she hoped to continue to engage with all three marae on the project to keep them informed, and would be meeting with three Crown agencies late in February 2020 to work on the project. Her message included a request to Council for financial and in-kind support for scoping work of approximately \$9,300 that he was asked to pass on.

Councillor Stuart Campbell spoke about his recent trip to India and how he appreciated being able to live in New Zealand, with our much better quality of life. He spoke about the ongoing India-Pakistan war and religious tensions there. He noted the improvements that had started to be made in clearing up litter and waterways.

Chief Executive Richard Templer spoke about two family events. The first event was the celebration of his 30th wedding anniversary and the second was the upcoming 80th birthday celebrations for his mother-in-law.

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NMT 20/023 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

NMT 20/024 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of Ngā Manu Tāiko Manawatū District Council meeting held on 10 December 2019 be adopted as a true and correct record with a correction to the spelling of Piri-Hira Tukapua's name.

Moved by: Councillor Stuart Campbell

Seconded by: Kipa Arapere

CARRIED

NMT 20/025 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the last Minutes.

NMT 20/026 PRESENTATION – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY – PRIORITY SERVICES

Community Development Adviser Janine Hawthorn spoke about Community Development Strategy – Priority Services and acknowledged the contribution that Ngā Manu Tāiko and Te Kaunihera had made in developing the strategy. She gave a presentation that took members through the community development strategy actions, the Council's proposed priorities, key dates and the priority contracts process, and circulated a copy of the Community Development Strategy to each member present.

She noted that they were also putting forward this project for consideration for an award in the category of bicultural leadership.

Piri-Hira Tukapua asked about heritage sites and whether marae were included from a district plan perspective. The General Manager – Community and Strategy noted he would need to check whether any marae were listed in the Manawatū District Council's schedule, however if there were marae that wished to have that heritage status applied it was a matter that could be looked at and addressed on the basis of feedback from the marae directly.

Rārite Mātaki spoke about the process for the award consideration. He noted they wanted to ensure that had the whole story so would be travelling around to get feedback from iwi on what could be included in the application to do this. As part of this process have been able to talk about how the project grew in Te Kaunihera, came back to Ngā Manu Tāiko, then through Council and back through Ngā Manu Tāiko in a framework they could understand and feel a part of.

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NMT 20/027 REPORT BACK FROM TE KAUNIHERA WORKING GROUP

Noted there were some items to be discussed at the next hui of Te Kaunihera Working Group.

NMT 20/028 PRINCIPAL ADVISER MĀORI – PROGRESS REPORT

Rārite Mātaki acknowledged recent losses and the tangihanga that lay across them at the moment. He acknowledged the words brought to the meeting from Tāruke and Piri-Hira for ensuring the voice of Māori was recorded appropriately.

He noted he was working on strengthening relationships. Moving forward there would be some things that would test those relationships from some of the kaupapa coming to the table, one of these being the sand dunes. He spoke about the water project work from Graeme Everton and Lisa Chase, and some training happening in the Digitalk space. He noted Te Roopu Waiata held its first practice of the year and recently met with waiata roopu from Horowhenua and Palmerston North. They were now planning the next get together which would be hosted by Manawatū. Te Roopu Waiata were reviewing items they had learned, and raising the bar. One of the goals was around engaging in next level, which was patere. He spoke about the patere we have which was about our manu traversing the geographical features of our whenua. This patere was written for Te Roopu Waiata by Josh Strickland. The future goal for Te Roopu Waiata was to get to regionals in February, to support Māori in that area too.

Other korero for Te Kaunihera was the development of induction training. This would be run as a series of seven workshops with Te Ao Māori kaupapa that form this training for people as they come through Council.. The training will be held with the Council's Executive team to start with, as a pilot for the programme. Elements of the programme would help them better understand powhiri process, mihi and pepeha and what they meant in that context. The programme would also cover the local landscape under Te Ao Māori and how they benefitted Council. He asked whether Te Kaunihera or Ngā Manu Tāiko members would be able to support delivery of one of the sessions, particularly the session about the current landscape, and contributing to the korero for this training. The session was booked for 22 June 2020 from 3pm to 5pm in Council Chambers. He extended an invite to members and their people to come and share those korero. The tautoko was to help Council officers understand the layout of Te Ao Māori of the local landscape. It would help officers to understand who was on the land and how it worked so they understood who to engage with, especially when needing to engage and to provide perspective from local marae.

He then spoke about the recent Council bus tour for the newly elected Council. As part of the tour they incorporated some of the sites of significance in the district and talked to Council about relationships and history.

NMT 20/029 DISCUSSION POINTS

Support for Cactus Programme – invitation extended for iwi to support the Cactus programme. There was an opportunity for volunteers to help with food, and new sponsors. There was also a need for motivational speakers to come to speak to the participants.

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Reureu Water Project – noted the update given earlier in the meeting.

Letter from Mayor and Community Development Committee Chairperson seeking advice and guidance – to be discussed at next Te Kaunihera hui.

NMT 20/030 APPOINTMENT OF MĀORI REPRESENTATIVE ON THE CREATIVE COMMUNITIES ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Report of the General Manager of Community and Strategy dated 23 January 2020 requesting the appointment of a Māori Representative on the Creative Communities Assessment Committee was considered.

Councillor Hilary Humphrey joined the meeting at 8.06pm.

It was agreed that the matter would be discussed at the next Te Kaunihera hui and brought back to the 21 April 2020 Ngā Manu Tāiko meeting for decision.

NMT 20/031 CLOSING KARAKIA

Kipa Arapere provided a karakia whakamutunga to conclude the proceedings.

NMT 20/032 MEETING CLOSURE

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.12pm