

MINUTES

TE ROOPUU AHI KAA MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 8 October 2024

Time: 11.00am

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Tumuaki: Ms Piki Te Ora Hiroa (Ngāti Whitikaupeka)

Nga mema: Mr Thomas Curtis (Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti),
Ms Marj Heeney (Ngāi Te Ohuake)
Ms Moira Raukawa (Ngāti Tamakopiri) (Zoom)
Ms Leanne Hiroti (Ngā Ariki Turakina)
Dr Katarina Gray-Sharp (Ngāti Rangī)
Ms Grace Taiaroa (Ratana Pa)
Cr Coral Raukawa
Cr Gill Duncan
HWTM Andy Watson

Manuhiri: Mr Kevin Ross, Chief Executive
Mrs Carol Gordon, Deputy Chief Executive
Ms Joanne Manuel, Manager Mana Whenua and Community Hubs
Ms Katrina Gray, Manager Strategy and Development
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Karakia / Prayer

Ms Hiroa opened the meeting at 11.00am and welcomed everyone to the hui.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/040

Apologies were received from Kim Savage

Ms P Hiroa/Dr K Gray-Sharp. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/041

That the minutes of Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Meeting held on 13 August 2024 **without amendment** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Ms G Taiaroa/Mr T Curtis. Carried

7 Follow-up Actions

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Meetings

Item 3- Representation Letters

Ms Hiroa undertook to check in with Mr Shenton.

Item 2- Archaeological Information

Staff noted that this is on the list to complete but the delay is due to a matter of priorities for the komiti.

Item 1- MOU with Iwi

Mrs Gordon update the komiti that staff have looked through previous MOUs and contracts with iwi across the district, noting that Ngāti Apa have a working relationship with Council. There are projects specific to iwi and marae and these are separate and sit in the Assets/Infrastructure group.

Members were requested that any AGMs or upcoming celebrations to send the dates through to Ms Spence to collate.

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/042

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Meetings' be received.

Ms L Hiroti/Ms M Heeney. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report, Including Updates from Pre-Hui October 2024

The Chair read her report.

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/043

That the 'Chair's Report –October 2024' be received.

Ms P Hiroa/Dr K Gray-Sharp. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Mayor's Report - 26 September 2024

Marton Swimming Pool

The Mayor updated the komiti that Council has made the decision to close the Marton swimming pool for the summer and that Council will be taking a long-term holistic approach to the pool.

Regional Growth Summit

There was a Regional Growth Summit held at Te Matapihi in which Minister Shane Jones pledged to discuss with His Worship the Mayor and Council around support for the Ratana.

CE Recruitment

The Mayor noted that the CE recruitment process is underway, and Jackson Stone have been selected to complete the recruitment.

Civil Defence

Mr Chaffe has been completing community consultation for the community response plans for civil defence. Mr Curtis noted that he recently attended a civil defence meeting, and it is surprising the number of organisations involved in this space.

Roading

Council is submitting in support of the Horowhenua and Tararua District Councils regarding the tolling of the roads.

The komiti had concerns with the roading in Utiku and that the roading in this area is eroding underneath due to water coming down from the hills and that there are large areas of slumping.

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/044

That the Mayor's Report – 26 September 2024 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Ms P Hiroa. Carried

9.2 Applications to the Marae Development Fund

Mrs Gordon explained that the reason to include this as a formal report allows for this discussion to go back to marae to ask for applications. The total amount available is \$32,000 but it is up to the komiti on how this is distributed.

Staff will update the wording in the policy to define what in-kind is meant in this policy. The komiti noted that in-kind is not just financial but refers to other resources to support the project being completed.

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/045

That the Applications to the Marae Development Fund Report be received.

Cr C Raukawa/Mr T Curtis. Carried

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/046

That, in accordance with the Marae Development Fund Policy, the Komiti seek applications from Marae across the district.

Ms P Hiroa/Ms M Heeney. Carried

9.3 External Current and Upcoming Consultations

Fast Track Process

The komiti questioned the influence Council had on the projects for the fast-track process.

Ms Gray advised that this was a similar process to the Covid-19 fast track process and that the approach was using an expert panel to inform and receive feedback. The windfarm in the district has been engaging with Council at a governance level and at an operational level.

The komiti acknowledged that some of the submissions may be a token gesture and that agencies are not looking for feedback but it's still important for Council to submit within this space.

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/047

That the report 'External Current and Upcoming Consultations' is received.

Mr T Curtis/Dr K Gray-Sharp. Carried

9.4 Class 4 Gambling Policy and TAB Venue Policy Review

Ms Taiaroa left the meeting at 12.06pm and returned at 12.10pm during this item.

The komiti discussed problems with gambling and the social impacts this has on the community. It was noted that the komiti thought the policy was a sinking lid however it is a capped number instead. Ms Gray responded that the policy does contradict itself and there has been confusion across staff and councillors also believing the policy was a sinking lid.

The recommendation from the Komiti will go to the next Policy/Planning meeting to be considered.

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/048

That the report 'Class 4 Gambling Policy and TAB Venue Policy Review' is received.

Dr K Gray-Sharp/Mr T Curtis. Carried

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/049

That Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa recommend to the Policy/Planning Committee Option 3 to replace the current gambling venue (class 4) policy to move to a sinking lid approach with a new policy and Option 2 for the TAB Policy to allow consultation.

Mr T Curtis/Dr K Gray-Sharp. Carried

9.5 Project Updates Report - September 2024

The komiti noted that there is a hui invitation for the Ratana discharge to land project to hear of the progress being made.

Resolved minute number 24/IWI/050

That the 'Project Updates Report – September 2024' be received.

Ms M Heeney/Ms L Hiroti. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Local Water Done Well

A regional hui is being held in Palmerston North that all members of Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa have been invited too. This hui is to receive information on the current Local Water Done Well for the region.

The timeline for Local Water Done Well is short and Council will have to decide on the proposed alignment with other councils by December.

The meeting closed at 12.55pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti held on 10 December 2024.

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Chairperson