

NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the council
held in the Council Chamber, 36 Water Street, Whangārei,
on Tuesday 20 June 2017, commencing at 10.30 am

Present:

Chairman, Bill Shepherd
Deputy Chairman, David Sinclair
Councillors:
John Bain (*from 11.01am*)
Justin Blaikie
Mike Finlayson
Penny Smart
Rick Stolwerk

In Attendance:

Full Meeting

Chief Executive Officer
GM – Strategy and Governance
GM – Environmental Services
GM – Regulatory Services
Independent Financial Advisor
Governance Support Manager

Part Meeting

Northland Inc. Limited Chairman
Northland Inc. Limited Chief Executive
Northland Inc. Limited Trustee
Northland Inc. Limited GM Infrastructure and Investment
Northland Inc. Limited Business Analyst
GM – Corporate Excellence
Financial Accountant
Biodiversity Manager
Economist
Lakes Catchment Advisor
Kaiarahi – Mātauranga Māori

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 10.33 am.

Apologies (Item 1.0)

Moved (Shepherd/Sinclair)

That the apologies for non-attendance from Councillors Dimery and Yeoman, and also for delayed arrival from Councillor Bain be received.

Carried

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest (Item 2.0)

It was advised that councillors should make declarations item-by-item as the meeting progressed.

Presentation: Seacleaners (Item 3.1)

ID: A954964

Report from Governance Support Manager, Chris Taylor

Secretarial Note: Seacleaners Trustee, Hayden Smith, was in attendance and provided an update on the organisation's operations and future aspirations.

Presentation: Lake Waiporohita Environment Fund and Kaitiaki Green Ribbon Award

Moved (Shepherd/Sinclair)

That the additional presentation 'Waiporohia Environment Fund and Kaitiaki Green Ribbon Award' from Will Trusewich, Lakes Catchment Advisor, be received.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

- *The presentation was not on the agenda and addressed as per Standing Order 9.13 'Discussion of minor matters not on the agenda'.*
- *Lakes Catchment Advisor, Will Trusewich, was in attendance and briefed council regarding the collaborative work with Ngāti Kahu and its partners to restore Lake Waiporohita. This project had been recognised with a Kaitiaki Green Ribbon Award; recognising exceptional environmental and conservation initiatives throughout New Zealand.*
- *It was requested that a letter be sent to the Chief Executive of Te Rūnanga-ā-Iwi o Ngāti Kahu, extending council's congratulations.*

Health and Safety Report (Item 4.0)

ID: A954599

Report from Health and Safety Specialist, Tracey Warboys

Moved (Stolwerk/Smart)

That the 'Health and Safety Report' by Tracey Warboys, Health and Safety Specialist, and dated 6 June 2017, be received.

Carried

Confirmation of Council Minutes – 16 May 2017 (Item 5.1)

ID: A954249

Report from Governance Support Manager, Chris Taylor

Moved (Blaikie/Sinclair)

That the minutes of the council meeting held on 16 May 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried

Receipt of Action Sheet (Item 5.2)

ID: A954412

Report from Governance Support Manager, Chris Taylor

Moved (Finlayson/Sinclair)

That the council action sheet be received.

Carried

Council Working Party Update (Item 5.3)

ID: A950942

Report from Group Manager – Strategy and Governance, Jonathan Gibbard

Moved (Sinclair/Stolwerk)

That the report 'Council Working Party Update' by Jonathan Gibbard, Group Manager – Strategy and Governance, and dated 9 June 2017, be received.

Carried

Financial Report to 31 May 2017 (Item 6.1)

ID: A952344

Report from Financial Accountant, Vincent McColl

Moved (Shepherd/Finlayson)

That the 'Financial Report to 31 May 2017' by Vincent McColl, Financial Accountant, and dated 9 June 2017, be received.

Carried

Secretarial Note:

- *Councillor Bain arrived at 11.01am*
- *The Chairman invited Independent Financial Advisor, Geoff Copstick, to the Council table to provide commentary and advice on the financial report; highlighting the work underway to improve the reporting framework to council.*

Delegations Manual (Item 7.1)

ID: A953152

Report from Jonathan Gibbard, Group Manager – Strategy and Governance

Moved (Shepherd/Stolwerk)

1. That the report 'Delegations Manual' by Jonathan Gibbard, Group Manager – Strategy and Governance, and dated 6 June 2017, be received.

Carried

It was further moved (Blaikie/Sinclair)

2. That the council approves and adopts the Delegations Manual included as **Attachment 1** pertaining to Item 7.1 of the 20 June 2017 council agenda, and makes all the delegations contained in it.
3. That the council approves and adopts the Procurement Policy and Procedures included as **Attachment 2** pertaining to Item 7.1 of the 20 June 2017 council agenda.

Carried

Kawakawa Hundertwasser Park Centre – Property and Funding Contribution (Item 7.2)

ID: A944888

Report from Darryl Jones, Economist

Moved (Finlayson/Stolwerk)

1. That the report 'Kawakawa Hundertwasser Park Centre – Property and Funding Contribution' by Darryl Jones, Economist, and dated 8 June 2017, be received.

Carried

It was further moved (Shepherd/Sinclair)

2. That council reaffirms its support for the Kawakawa Hundertwasser Memorial Park Project.
3. That, in light of new information being brought to council's attention, council requests that the Chief Executive Officer engage with the proponents of the project to confirm how council can best support the proposal and bring further recommendations back to council for consideration.

Carried

Secretarial Note: Item 8.3 was addressed prior to Item 7.3 to allow for the attendance of Northland Inc. Limited representatives.

Authorisation to Utilise Part of the Surplus (Item 7.3)

ID: A954657

Report from Dave Tams, Group Manager – Corporate Excellence

Moved (Stolwerk/Bain)

1. That the report 'Authorisation to Utilise Part of the Surplus' by Dave Tams, Group Manager – Corporate Excellence, and dated 9 June 2017, be received.

Carried

It was further moved (Stolwerk/Finlayson)

2. That council authorise the spend of \$91,700 from the year end surplus for the salary review on 1 July 2017.

Carried

Chairman's Report to Council (Item 8.1)

ID: A951998

Report from Bill Shepherd, Chairman

Moved (Shepherd/Sinclair)

That the report 'Chairman's Report to Council' by the Chairman, Bill Shepherd, and dated 9 June 2017, be received.

Carried

Secretarial Note: The Chairman put the motion pertaining to Item 8.2 at such time council resumed in open meeting, following the conclusion of business with the public excluded.

Chief Executive's Report to Council (Item 8.2)

ID: A950935

Report from Sally Bowron, PA/Team Admin – Strategy and Governance

Moved (Shepherd/Sinclair)

That the report 'Chief Executive's Report to Council' and dated 9 June 2017, be received.

Carried

Secretarial Note: Item 8.3 was addressed prior to Item 7.3 to allow for the attendance of Northland Inc. Limited representatives.

Northland Inc. Limited: Interim Report Against Statement of Intent (SOI) – Quarter Three 2016/17 (Item 8.3)

ID: A955156

Report from Darryl Jones, Economist

Moved (Stolwerk/Smart)

That the report 'Northland Inc. Limited: Interim Report against Statement of Intent (SOI) – Quarter Three 2016/17' by Darryl Jones, Economist, and dated 12 June 2017, be received.

Carried

Business with the Public Excluded (Item 9.0)

ID: A955323

Report from Chris Taylor, Governance Support Manager

Moved (Shepherd/Sinclair)

1. That the public be excluded from the proceedings of this meeting to consider confidential matters.
2. That the general subject of the matters to be considered whilst the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to this matter, and the specific grounds under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution, are as follows:

Item No.	Item Issue	Reason\Grounds
9.1	Confirmation of Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting – 16 May 2017	The reasons for excluding the public are as stated in the minutes of the open section of the meeting.
9.2	Human Resources Report	The public conduct of the proceedings would be likely to result in disclosure of information, the withholding of which is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons 7(2)(a).

Carried

Open Meeting

Moved (Shepherd/Sinclair)

That the council resumes in open meeting.

Carried

Secretarial Note: The Chairman put the motion pertaining to Item 8.2.

CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 12.02pm.