

MINUTES of a meeting of the Policy & Regulatory Committee of the Waikato District Council held in the Council Chambers, District Office, 15 Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia on **TUESDAY 21 MAY 2019** commencing at **9.01am**.

Present:

Cr JD Sedgwick (Chairperson)
His Worship the Mayor, Mr AM Sanson [until 9.53am] [from 9.58am]
Cr AD Bech
Cr JA Church
Cr DW Fulton
Cr JM Gibb
Cr SL Henderson
Cr SD Lynch
Cr RC McGuire
Cr FM McInally
Cr BL Main
Cr EM Patterson
Cr NMD Smith
Cr LR Thomson

Attending:

Mr GJ Ion (Chief Executive)
Ms S O’Gorman (General Manager Customer Support)
Mr B Stringer (Democracy Manager)
Mr W Hill (Consents Team Leader)
Ms E Makin Consents Team Leader – East)
Mr J Wright (Senior Planner)
Mrs W Wright (Committee Secretary)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

All members were present.

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Crs Church/Main)

THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Policy & Regulatory Committee held on Tuesday 21 May 2019 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/01

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Thomson)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Policy & Regulatory Committee held on Tuesday 19 March 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/02

RECEIPT OF HEARING MINUTES AND DECISIONS

RMA Hearing – Rural Tails Limited
Agenda Item 5.1

The Chair mentioned that this was an interesting decision and encouraged the Committee to read through the process the Commissioner followed to reach his decision.

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Lynch)

THAT the minutes of an RMA hearing for Rural Tails Limited held on Thursday 21 February 2019 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/03

Dog Hearing – Raewyn Van De Pas – Objections to Menacing Classification
Agenda Item 5.2

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Main)

THAT the minutes and decision of a Regulatory Subcommittee hearing for Raewyn Van De Pas held on Tuesday 12 March 2019 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/04

REPORTS

Proposed Amendments to LGNZ Rules
Agenda Item 6.1

The Democracy Manager took the report as read. He summarised that there were two substantial proposed changes to the LGNZ Rules:

- the amendment to provide Te Maruata representation on the National Council; and
- the increased seats on the National Council for Auckland Council.

ACTION: His Worship the Mayor would ascertain other councils' position in relation to Proposal 2 in the staff report (Auckland representation on the National Council).

Resolved: (Crs Smith/Church)

THAT the report of the Chief Executive be received;

AND THAT the Committee recommends that Council approves proposals 1 (Te Maruata representation), 3 (Administrative substantive changes) and 4 (Minor amendments to modernise and rationalise language) to change the LGNZ Rules; and awaits further information on proposal 2 (Auckland Council representation on National Council), as such proposals are detailed in the staff report.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/05

Summary of Applications Determined by the District Licensing Committee January – March 2019
Agenda Item 6.2

Cr Smith gave an overview of the District Licensing Process and in particular the change in how applicants interpreted the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 compared to six years ago.

Resolved: (Crs Church/Main)

THAT the report from the General Manager Customer Support be received.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/06

Chief Executive's Business Plan
Agenda Item 6.3

The Chief Executive gave an overview of his business plan. He highlighted, and responded to questions on, the work undertaken by the Water Governance Board. In particular:

- the current challenges in relation to the Watercare contract negotiations. The contract was due to be in place by 31 May 2019.
- the potential conflicts of interest of the Audit & Risk Committee's Chairperson.
- the support for the Waters Governance Board.

The Chief Executive advised that there would be a media release following a Finance Committee meeting held at Auckland Council on 21 May 2019 pertaining to the Watercare/Waikato District Council matter.

Resolved: (Crs Bech/Main)

THAT the report from the Chief Executive be received.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/07

His Worship the Mayor withdrew from the meeting at 9.53am during discussion on the above item and returned at 9.58am. He was present when voting took place.

Delegated Resource Consents Approved for the month of March and April 2019
Agenda Item 6.4

Resolved: (Crs Bech/Main)

THAT the report from the General Manager Customer Support be received.

CARRIED on the voices

P&R1905/08

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 10.14am.

Minutes approved and confirmed this day of 2019.

Cr JD Sedgwick
CHAIRPERSON