

# MINUTES

## Ordinary Meeting of Council

F19/13/06 – D22/20517

Date: Tuesday 14 June 2022 at 3.30 PM  
Venue: Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford

### Present

The District Mayor N C Volzke (the Chairman), the Deputy Mayor A L Jamieson, Councillors G W Boyde, P S Dalziel, R W Coplestone, A K Harris, V R Jones, M McKay, W J Sandford and G M Webby.

*Via audio visual link:* Councillor J M S Erwood

### In attendance

The Acting Chief Executive and Director Community Services – Ms K Whareaitu, the Director Assets – Mrs V Araba, the Director Environmental Services – Mr B Sutherland, the Committee Advisor and Executive Assistant – Mrs E Bishop, the Communications Manager – Ms G Gibson, the Corporate Accountant – Mrs C Craig, the Revenue Manager – Mrs J Erwood, the Roading Manager – Mr S Bowden, the Community Development Officer – Mrs V Fischer (*part meeting*), two members of the media (Stratford Press and Taranaki Daily News) and one member of the public.

*Via audio visual link:* The Chief Executive – Mr S Hanne

#### 1. Welcome

The District Mayor welcomed the Chief Executive, Councillors, staff, and the media.

##### 1.1 Opening Karakia D21/40748 Page 6

The opening karakia was led by the District Mayor.

##### 1.2 Health and Safety Message D21/26210 Page 7

The District Mayor reiterated the health and safety message and emergency procedures.

#### 2. Apologies

An apology was received from the Director – Corporate Services – Mrs T Radich.

#### Recommendation

THAT the apology be received.

VOLZKE/WEBBY  
Carried  
CL/22/47

#### 3. Announcements

The District Mayor noted it was his intention to withdraw items 8, 9, 10 and 11 and would discuss this further in the agenda as well as an alternative date for an extraordinary meeting to adopt these documents.

#### 4. Declarations of Members' Interest

The District Mayor requested Councillors to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest relating to items on this agenda.

The declaration of members' interest will be circulated for updating. It was reiterated that as this formed part of council's audit process it was important to ensure this was accurate.

#### 5. Attendance Schedule

The Attendance Schedule for Ordinary and Extraordinary Council meetings was attached.

#### 6. Confirmation of minutes

##### 6.1 Ordinary Meeting of Council – 10 May 2022

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##### Recommendation

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 10 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

DALZIEL/HARRIS  
Carried  
CL/22/48

##### 6.1.1 Public Forum Notes – 10 May 2022

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The notes from the Public Forum on Tuesday 10 May 2022 was attached for Council's information.

##### 6.2 Policy & Services Committee – 17 May 2022 (Hearing)

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##### Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 and the Draft Revenue and Financing Policy, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be received.

WEBBY/JONES  
Carried  
CL/22/49

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 and the Draft Revenue and Financing Policy, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be adopted.

JAMIESON/BOYDE  
Carried  
CL/22/50

### Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting, including the public excluded section, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be received.

ERWOOD/McKAY  
Carried  
CL/22/51

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, including those in the public excluded section, held on Tuesday 17 May 2022 be adopted.

JAMIESON/VOLZKE  
Carried  
CL/22/52

### Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Rates Remission Policy, held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be received.

VOLZKE/BOYDE  
Carried  
CL/22/53

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, to hear and consider submissions to the Draft Rates Remission Policy, held on Tuesday 24 May be adopted.

JAMIESON/SANDFORD  
Carried  
CL/22/54

### Recommendations

1. THAT the unconfirmed minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be received.

WEBBY/JAMIESON  
Carried  
CL/22/55

2. THAT the recommendations in the minutes of the Policy & Services Committee meeting, held on Tuesday 24 May 2022 be adopted.

SANDFORD/ERWOOD  
Carried  
CL/22/56

7. District Mayor's Report  
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**Recommendation**

THAT the report be received.

VOLZKE/DALZIEL  
Carried  
CL/22/57

The District Mayor noted the following points:

- The presentation on the developments in green energy at the Ake Ake Centre showcased mind boggling technology that has been developed across the country. Ake Ake is now working with these ideas to commercialise them. There is a lot happening within this organisation which will become more visible to the public soon.
- The Te Awa Tupua meeting was interesting as it questioned the storm water discharge into the Wanganui River and how this aligned with the river legislation and management. It was clarified this discussion referred to the storm water discharge from the Wanganui City rather than from rural properties. This will be an issue across the country.

*The Community Development Officer left the meeting at 3.43pm*

8. **ITEM WITHDRAWN - Decision Report – Adopt Annual Plan 2022/23 -**  
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The District Mayor noted the following points:

- There has been a couple of issues raised, including those by the speaker at the public forum today, regarding the targeted rate for forestry properties.
- The number of targeted properties has increased and further information is required to clarify why this has increased.
- Clarity is also needed on what properties the rate will apply to as it currently states in the Annual Plan that it is based on the primary use of the land. There have been questions raised around this due to different property sizes and how it will be applied.
- It was suggested that the adoption of the Annual Plan, and the subsequent reports, be postponed to an Extraordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday 28 June 2022 to get further information for Council and to ensure compliance by adopting the Annual Plan prior to 30 June.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT in accordance with standing order 9.9, the Chief Executive has permitted the withdrawal of following items from the agenda due to further information/changes being required:

Item 8 Adopt Annual Plan  
Item 9 Setting of Rates, Due Dates and Penalties Regime for 2022/23  
Item 10 Adopt Revenue and Financing Policy  
Item 11 Adopt Rates Remission

2. THAT an Extraordinary Meeting be scheduled for 2.00pm, Tuesday 28 June to adopt the above documents.

BOYDE/WEBBY  
Carried  
CL/22/57

9. **ITEM WITHDRAWN** - Decision Report – Setting of Rates, Due Dates and Penalties Regime for 2022/23

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10. **ITEM WITHDRAWN** - Decision Report – Adopt Revenue and Financing Policy

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11. **ITEM WITHDRAWN** - Decision Report – Adopt Rates Remission Policy

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12. Public Forum Response

**Speaker:** Cam Eyre, NZ Forestry Ltd

**Response:** Council requested that Mr Eyre be advised that his comments will be factored into the deliberations on the Annual Plan and that the adoption of the document has been postponed to 28 June 2022.

Management were requested to follow up with Mr Eyre regarding his offer for collaboration and information sharing.

13. Questions

- Councillor Sandford noted that he had discussed with the Youth Council the possibility of a trip to the Recycling Centre in New Plymouth and asked if Councillors would like to attend as well. It would also be a good opportunity to visit the Taranaki Civil Defence office. He noted it would need to be held during school holidays. Councillors supported this request.

14. Closing Karakia

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The closing karakia was led by the District Mayor.

*The meeting closed at 3.55pm.*

N C Volzke  
**Chairman**

Confirmed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022.

N C Volzke  
**District Mayor**