

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 29 CIVIC AVENUE, GORE ON TUESDAY 13 MAY 2014 AT 7.30pm.

PRESENT His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks, JP), Crs Bolger, Beale, Davis, Dixon, D Grant, P Grant, Page and Sharp.

IN ATTENDANCE The General Manager District Assets (Mr Paul Withers) Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), 3 Waters Asset Manager (Mrs Sarah Crooks), HR/Administration Manager (Susan Jones), Chief Financial Officer (Mr Luke Blackbeard) and five members of the public in the gallery.

APOLOGIES Crs Byars, Gover and Highsted and the Chief Executive apologised for absence.

His Worship called for any conflicts of interest. None were declared.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by Cr D Grant, **THAT** the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Gore District Council, held on Tuesday 1 April 2014, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Beale, **THAT** the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Gore District Council, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by Cr Page, **THAT** the report of the ordinary meeting of the Community Services Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

The Council *noted* that His Worship had not been in attendance at the meeting and it should have read *Cr P Grant asked for any conflicts of interest*.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Beale, seconded by Cr Bolger, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the Community Services Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Beale, seconded by Cr Page, **THAT** the report of the meeting of the Operations Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

The Council *noted* that Cr Davis had not been in attendance and it should have read *Cr Beale asked for any conflicts of interest.*

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr P Grant, seconded by Cr Beale, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the Operations Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by Cr Bolger, **THAT** the report of the meeting of the Regulatory and Planning Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Beale, seconded by Cr Page, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the Regulatory and Planning Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be ratified.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Beale, **THAT** the report of the meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a true and complete record.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bolger, seconded by Cr Dixon, **THAT** the recommendations contained within the report of the Finance and Policy Committee, held on Tuesday 29 April 2014, as presented, be ratified.

2. UPDATE FROM NEW ZEALAND POLICE

Inspector Lane Todd, Southland Area Commander for the New Zealand Police was in attendance and provided an update on recent crime statistics and referred in particular to a reduction in criminal offences in the Southland police district.

He also referred to the Prevention First strategy that was being implemented by the police and the benefits evolving from police officers using iPads.

He congratulated all of the Councils in Southland on the Local Alcohol Policy and the efforts made by the Southland Mayors in pushing for legal highs to be removed from public sale.

Inspector Todd departed the meeting at 7.55pm

3. PRESENTATION FROM YOUTH COUNCILLORS

Gore District Youth Councillors Skyla Mill and Hamish Goatley (Longford Intermediate school students) were in attendance and provided an update on what the Youth Council had been involved with.

His Worship congratulated the Youth Councillors on being appointed and acknowledged the success of the “speed dating” session held earlier in the evening.

The Youth Councillors departed the meeting at 8:03pm

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE – NELSON

A memo had been received from the Chief Executive advising that the Local Government New Zealand annual conference would be held in Nelson from 20-22 July. A copy of the programme had been circulated with the agenda.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by Cr D Grant, THAT the Council delegation to attend the 2014 Local Government New Zealand Conference in Nelson comprise of His Worship the Mayor, the Chief Executive and Cr Davis,

AND THAT His Worship the Mayor be the presiding delegate at the Annual General Meeting of local Government New Zealand, with Cr Davis being the alternative delegate.

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5. SCHEDULE OF LANDUSE CONSENTS

A schedule of landuse consents issued as at 1 May 2014 had been circulated.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by Cr P Grant, THAT the information be received.

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6. MATAURA COMMUNITY BOARD REPORT

A memo had been received from the Administration Manager together with a copy of the report of the ordinary meeting of the Matura Community Board held on 14 April 2014.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by Cr Bolger, THAT the report of the meeting held on 14 April be received,

AND THAT the recommendations contained within the report be ratified.

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7. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Reports from His Worship the Mayor, Crs Page, Beale, Byars, Highsted, P Grant, D Grant and Gover on recent activities had been circulated with the agenda.

Cr Sharp advised he had spoken with a representative from St John recently about a prospective site for its new building project. He had suggested the Council owned land behind the multi-sports complex. He also reported on enquiries he had made to Telecom about e-texting.

The meeting concluded at 8:20pm