

## EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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**MINUTES** of an Extraordinary Meeting of the **ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, on Thursday 4 September 2008, commencing at 2.25 pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors L J Leadley (Chair), K L Holmes, R J Kilworth, R C Beavan, I J Burgess, J A Everest, J A Kingsbury, P W Reveley, N A Brown and K L Lowe and J Sparks.

Also in attendance Finance Manager, Operations Manager, Property Manager and Committee Secretary.

**APOLOGIES:** His Worship the Mayor, Mr M B O'Malley and Cr B A Tasker **Sustained**

### ***Extraordinary Business***

"That pursuant to Section 7(2)(A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the following items be introduced as extraordinary business

- Electricity Ashburton Shareholders Meeting  
*To appoint a proxy vote for meeting on 10 September 2008*
- Property Matter – to be taken with the public excluded  
*Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities*

Holmes/Sparks

**Carried**

### ***Revenue and Financing Policy Review***

The Finance Manager reported that one amendment has been made to the preliminary consultation document to include the Civil Defence capital value general rate and uniform annual charge of 45%. Councillors will be provided with the updated document and Summary.

"That Council approves the draft reviewed Revenue and Financing Policy for the purpose of community consultation."

Holmes/Brown

**Carried**

### ***Lake Hood Public Toilets***

The Operations Manager reported that investigation work has been completed and construction options and estimates are now available. Mr Rouse said that the Rowing Club has reconfirmed the intention to proceed with their own system, however he will maintain contact with the Club as the project progresses as there will be opportunity for them to review this decision. He confirmed that the project could be sized to accommodate additional requirements from the Club for future connections.

Cr Leadley reported that the Ashburton Aquatic Park Trust has been fully informed of the process.

Council noted that the land is not designated as a public reserve that the Aquatic Park Trust is not contributing to the cost of the toilets.

The Community Planning Manager attended the meeting at 2.33 pm.

The Property Manager advised that there had been an initial proposal that the Trust would make land available to Council for use as a reserve; a heads of agreement was drawn up, however the Trust has not confirmed this.

The Operations Manager is currently seeking a legal opinion on Council’s use of land which it doesn’t own and this will be applied to the Lake Hood toilets. Mr Rouse confirmed that these issues will be resolved with the Trust before construction starts.

In response to concern about the significant cost of the project, Mr Rouse advised that the toilets have been designed to cater for approximately 600 people, however it is likely that the Rowing Club will need to provide additional toilets when major events are being held.

“That Council approves the construction of a toilet block at Lake Hood at an estimated cost of \$229,170 excluding GST; and that additional funding in the sum of \$95,140 be provided from the Dividend Reserve Account.”

Holmes/Brown **Carried**

**North East Ashburton Business Park**

Cr Beavan disagreed with the use of “Park”, noting that the definition would more appropriately apply to an open space recreational area. He suggested that as an industrial area, the development could instead be known as an “Estate”.

Council agreed to support the recommendation of the NE Ashburton Business Park Board.

“That the proposed North East Ashburton Business Park be formally named “Ashburton Business Park”.

Kilworth/Burgess **Carried**

**Extraordinary Business –  
Electricity Ashburton Annual General Meeting**

The Finance Manager reported that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of Electricity Ashburton will take place on Wednesday 10 September, and in the absence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, who will be attending the Zone 5 meeting in Nelson that day, an alternative representative needs to be appointed.

"That Council appoints Cr Holmes to attend the Electricity Ashburton Shareholders Annual General Meeting on 10 September 2008, to vote on behalf of the Ashburton District Council as he sees fit."

Brown/Kingsbury **Carried**

**Business taken with the public excluded (2.49 pm)**

“That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting:

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

Item no	General subject of each matter to be considered:	In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Act, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter:
7	Extraordinary Business – Property Matter	Section 7(2)(h) Commercial activities

Holmes/Burgess **Carried**

The meeting concluded at 3.00 pm.

Confirmed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 2008 by

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MAYOR

