

Operations Committee

Minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on 25 August, 2011, commencing at 3.38 pm, in the Council Chamber, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton.

Present

His Worship the Mayor, Angus McKay; Councillors John Leadley (Chair), Neil Brown, Donna Favel, Darryl Nelson, Martin Nordqvist, Peter Reveley, Alan Totty and Stuart Wilson.

In attendance

Councillors Jim Burgess, Don McLeod and Jac Sparks; Operations Manager, Chief Executive and Committee Secretary.

Staff in attendance for the duration of their reports – Solid Waste Manager, Roading & Street Services Manager and Water Services Manager.

1 Apologies

Cr R Kilworth

Sustained

2 Extraordinary Business

Nil.

Mastagard – Waste Education

The Committee received a presentation from representatives of Mastagard – Sheryl Stivens, Dean Robinson (General Manager) and Brent Holley (Local School Educator).

Mastagard currently delivers the waste minimisation education programme in two pre-schools and at Mt Hutt College. They have also undertaken to work with the Youth Council's wearable arts project.

The presentation concluded at 4.05 pm.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on 7 July, 2011, be taken as read and confirmed.

Reveley/Wilson

Carried

4 Matters Arising

• Public conveniences

The Roading and Street Services Manager reported that a quote of just over \$15k has been received for the two toilets and work is expected to be completed within one month.

• Cycleway extension

There has been no further action on the cycleway extension but the Roading & Street Services Manager will progress this when his work on the parking strategy and alfresco dining policy has been completed.

• Rakaia water Conservation Order

The Operations Manager reported that all requirements were met and the Conservation Order has been signed off by the Minister.

5 SK-BN Pudding Hill Road Area Race Closure

That the stockwater race starting at a junction on PN 601 – Lot 1 DP 81602 and discharging into Mt Harding Creek on PN 427 – Lot 3 DP 62613, remains open.

Totty/Nordqvist

Carried

6 SK-BP Methven Highway Race Closure

That the stockwater race starting at a junction on the Dolma Street main race, on PN 16499 – Lot 1 DP 5902 to where it discharges into Mt Harding Creek on PN 460 – Lot 1 DP 6984, a distance of 1.8 kilometres remains open.

Nelson/Totty

Carried

7 SK-BD Chertsey Kyle Road Area Race Closure

1 **That** two stockwater races starting at a junction on Chertsey Road by PN 2328 – Secs 5, 7, 9, 11 Chertsey township, to where one connects back into an existing junction and the other discharges into a soak hole on PN 20140, remain open.

2 **That** two stockwater races starting at a junction on Chertsey Road by PN 2328 – Secs 5, 7, 9, 11 Chertsey township close at a discharge point in a soak hole on PN 1472 – RS 24788/9 and a junction on PN 16115 – Lot 1 DP 301799 – total distance closed 6.8 kilometres.

Totty/Brown

Carried

8 Carry-over of Funds from 2010-11 Budget to 2011-12

In addition to those detailed in the report, it was noted that the public conveniences carry-overs were omitted should be included in the request –

- Hinds public toilets \$5,000
- Hakatere public toilets \$10,000

Road capital improvement carry-overs –

- Dobson St West was replaced with Trevors Rd (\$207, 130).

That the request to carry over funds from the 2010-11 Annual Plan to the 2011-12 budget, as detailed in this report, be approved.

Brown/Nelson

Carried

9 Activity Reports

That the reports be received.

Nelson/Wilson

Carried

Water Conservation Order

Correspondence from the Minister for the Environment was tabled. The Minister has deemed the proposed amendment to the resource consent will have minor effect. His recommendation to amend the Order has been forwarded to the Governor General.

Agreement has been reached for a water take of 601 litres/sec.

Rakaia Barrhill Stockwater Race

The Working Group has agreed to progress the Mitcham Rd option, which avoids services. Beneficiaries have been contacted to establish their likely contribution (estimated \$126 / property). The Operations Manager advised that the matter will be referred back to the Water Subcommittee and a recommendation to commence technical investigation is expected to be considered at an Extraordinary Council meeting on 8 September.

Snow event

Maintenance of roads and footpaths damaged from snow clearing is underway. It was reported that some issues arose during the snow event with Telecom services and the Dorie exchange is still out of action. Cr Leadley agreed to follow this up through the Rural Support Trust.

Mayfield water supply

A tender evaluation panel will meet tomorrow which will include representatives of the Mayfield community. Two tenders have been received and will be the subject of a report to Council's extraordinary meeting on 8 September.

2nd Bridge Project

The Operations Manager reported that NZTA has undertaken to provide a formal response to his questions by 29 August. Mr Rouse will prepare a report for Council on 8 September and has been advised that a representative from NZTA will attend.

Carriageway lighting

The contract for operation and maintenance of street lights has been negotiated with Electricity Ashburton. The tender has been costed at approximately 3.2% more than the 2008 tendered price, and is approximately \$108k per annum.

Mill Creek bank stabilisation

The Committee supported the Water Services Manager's request for additional time to complete drawings and re-consult with affected parties. Mr Guthrie explained that the agreement will be formalised, and will remove uncertainty over the contract, with cost savings anticipated. A further report will be made to Council on 27 October.

The Committee adjourned at 5.15 pm and resumed at 6.07 pm.

Methven Community Board

- **Caravan waste site**

That Operations undertake planning and design work for the Methven caravan waste site in the 2011-12 financial year.

Nordqvist/Totty

Carried

10 Water Subcommittee – 4/08/11

The report and minutes of the Water Subcommittee held on 4 August 2011, were received.

Business transacted with the public excluded (6.15 pm)

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely – 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: | |
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| 11 | C599 – Minor Township Maintenance Contract, Rakaia | Section 7(2)(h) | Commercial activities |

Nelson/Mayor

Carried

Business transacted with the public excluded now in open meeting

C599 – Minor township maintenance (Council 22/09/11)

That Contract 599, Rakaia minor township maintenance contract 2011-2015 be re-advertised and that current contract be extended to 30 November 2011.

Mayor/Nelson

Carried

The meeting concluded at 6.35 pm.