

MINUTES

TITLE: Special Council
DATE: Friday 17 June 2005
TIME: 9.30 am
VENUE: St John's Hall, Courtney Street Motueka

PRESENT: Mayor J C Hurley, (Chair), Crs T B King, E E Henry, T E Norriss, E M O'Regan, P K O'Shea, R G Kempthorne, M J Higgins, N Riley, S J Borlase, J L Inglis, E J Wilkins, R G Currie

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive (R G Dickinson), Community Services Manager (L L Kennedy), Transportation Manager (R Ashworth), Development Engineer (D Ley), Utilities Asset Engineer (K Arnold), R Lester and J Hubley (MWH), Corporate/Engineering Administrator (V M Gribble)

APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Cr S G Bryant and for lateness from Mr R G Dickinson.

1 HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS TO DRAFT WATER AND SANITARY SERVICE ASSESSMENTS

2 Lone Star Farms Ltd, Star Holdings Ltd, T & A Sturgess

Mr S Hedley was in attendance to present the submission and tabled a supplementary submission. Mr Hedley said his clients cannot agree with the prioritisation of Patons Rock in respect of a reticulated water supply, a reticulated wastewater system or a reticulated wastewater system as a solution to a perceived stormwater flow issues.

3 Mr P A Barrow

Mr Barrow spoke about the proposed reticulation of Motueka Township. He has a water bore of quantity and quality and is opposed to being forced into signing up for a reticulated scheme which is beyond his ability to fund when he has a perfectly good source of water. He questioned whether there was a problem with the firewells in Motueka and suggested perhaps a reticulated system just for fire fighting might be acceptable.

4 Mr D J Ogilvie

Mr Ogilvie was in attendance and tabled a supplementary submission. Mr Ogilvie questioned some of the accuracy of the information in the document as well as the logic of some apparent inconsistent statements. He noted that Motueka's water quality has a high rating at "B", yet there is a strong message in the document that reticulation will somehow improve the water quality. He noted that the fire brigade

regularly test the firewells and they appear to work satisfactorily. He noted that the height of the Motueka stopbank is not sufficient for a large flood.

5 Forest & Bird Golden Bay Branch

Mrs J Treloar presented the submission on behalf of Forest & Bird Golden Bay Branch. The submission expresses concern for the natural waterways, aquifers and coastal water of Golden Bay. Mrs Treloar noted the need for a public toilet at Pohara Beach.

7 A J Bell

Mr Bell noted that the report should meet requirements of the RMA and PTRMP. He asked that Upper Takaka be considered for reticulation. Mr Bell said there should be protection for natural waters from pollution, ie Takaka stormwater is disposed of by way of soak pits installed into the same substrata from which well water is drawn. There has been considerable resistance to proposals to reticulate Takaka township.

10 & 12 Mr P Fullerton & Paton's Rock Beach Society

Mr Fullerton and Mr Turley were in attendance and supported the Paton's Rock Beach Society's view on the assessment. The Society believes water supplies at Paton's Rock are adequate and also the capability for fire fighting. The Society also believes the greatest threat to some septic tank systems is due to flooding from inadequate stormwater control. They consider wastewater and water supplies should be designated as number 4 priorities and submit that stormwater should be designated as a number 1 priority.

Mr Turley tabled a plan and photographs that showed the problems with stormwater in the Paton's Rock area. He noted that supervision of works being undertaken could be improved.

**Moved Crs O'Regan/Currie
CN05/06/09**

**THAT the written submissions to the Draft Water and Sanitary Services Assessments be received.
CARRIED**

2 SALISBURY ROAD UNDERPASS AND CYCLE WAYS – ADDITIONAL FUNDING

Mr Ashworth and Mr Kennedy were in attendance to speak to the report on the Salisbury Road Underpass and Cycleways. The report sought Council approval to secure additional funding for the Salisbury Road underpass.

In reply to a question from Cr Henry as to whether there is a cheaper option for this project, Mr Ashworth explained that there is not a lot of amendment that could be done to the plans to reduce the cost.

Mr Dickinson noted that half the span is in the walkway/cycle way area.

Cr Currie understood that Richmond DILs were completely committed and asked how \$50,000 could be found.

Mr Kennedy said the annual plan did not anticipate a huge excess as a result of commitments, however a large subdivision has come in and the money has been received for that.

Cr Kempthorne agreed the extra funding is a concern, but considered there are huge benefits in proceeding with this work.

Cr Riley asked about the Nelson City Council financial commitment to the ASB Bank Aquatic Centre.

Mr Kennedy said half way through the fundraising process Nelson City Council agreed to put two lots of \$500,000 towards it. The decision hasn't been made as to where the money will be used. When all final accounts are paid, a full report will be provided to Council and that decision can be made. He considered it better to leave the Nelson City Council money out of this equation.

Cr Norriss, commenting on projects coming in at a higher than estimated price once tendered, noted the underpass at Lord Rutherford Road which was proposed to cost about \$350,000 six months ago and now the best estimate is around \$550,000. He said if the Salisbury Road project is delayed, it will be highly unlikely to get approval from Transit in future.

Mayor Hurley said he can't support the proposal and suggested a set of traffic lights would work just as well. He considered the money could be better used elsewhere and noted there can be some social problems with an underpass and doesn't support the Nelson City Council money being used.

Cr O'Shea said the modern method is to put people above the ground and the other services below the ground and believes the underpass is an outdated method. She has a concern about money being found at this time of the year.

Cr Higgins supported the project as it will be attractive to look at and an amenity to the pool site and public area. It provides an access route and cycle way and didn't think traffic lights would be acceptable. He considered it too late to be looking at other options.

**Moved Crs Kempthorne/Henry
CN05/06/10**

THAT Council approves an additional \$107,000 for the Salisbury Road Underpass and Cycleway project, to be funded from Richmond DILs and non subsidised roading.

CARRIED

3 RUGBY PARK GRANDSTAND

Mr B Dowler from Good Sport Motueka and Mr T Dodge from Arrow Consultants were in attendance for discussion on this item.

Mr Kennedy said the Grants and Community Facilities Rate Subcommittee recommended the project proceed, conditional on the community raising \$260,000. He said there have been discussions on the need for a grandstand. Good Sport Motueka have talked about changing the name from Rugby Park to recognise the multi-use of the park.

Cr Norriss said there has still been considerable space in the grandstand and also on the park even when big games are played. He asked was there really a need for a new grandstand. He agreed that there was a need for new changing rooms.

Mr Dowler said the present grandstand has been condemned by OSH. He said with ladies playing rugby now, there are not enough changing rooms and shower facilities.

Cr Norriss asked what is affordable for the community and asked if the facilities could be upgraded with the grandstand being built at a later date.

Mr Dodge said only the roof could be left off.

Cr Borlase commented on the list of things to be taken off and asked how those items would be addressed.

Mr Dodge explained how the works would be covered by Good Sport Motueka.

Mr Dowler said it will become an all-sports ground or other funding will not be able to be realised. He said fundraising has stopped at present because funding cannot be applied for until the project is approved.

Cr King asked if the project was brought back to an ablution block would you see something Council would provide as part of providing for rugby grounds.

Mr Dodge said you would still need a roof on the changing room facilities, there would be savings but said the costings would have to be reworked.

Cr King was not convinced a grandstand was needed, but said if the price difference was covered by fundraising then they should have the grandstand.

Cr O'Shea agreed that good quality showers and changing rooms were needed, but was concerned at the total cost. Some of the works that have been removed from the price distorts the total cost. She was concerned about the fundraising exhaustion for the Motueka community.

Cr Riley was concerned about the exclusions in the quantity surveyor's budget.

Mr Dodge said roading and drainage is outside the scope of this project.

Mr Kennedy said a lot of those works relate to the new road.

Cr Higgins said this debate should have occurred before tenders were called. The project has got the support of Motueka and has had support of Council. He said today is the day to accept the tender, unless it is an outrageous price and he didn't believe it was. He said the Motueka pool is not yet happening, nor is the hospital. He said this project should be done.

Cr Inglis supported the project and asked how much it would cost to bring it up to standard. He said the present grandstand was not a good look for Motueka.

Mr Dowler said OSH visited this week and said they wanted it shut down, but didn't know how much it would cost to bring it up to standard.

Mr Dodge said it is rusted underneath and structurally is in a poor state.

Cr O'Regan asked for clarification of the tender prices.

Mr Dodge said \$90,000 is a building contingency, assigned to various trades during the project, \$10,000 for Tasman District Council contingency was included so the project wasn't brought back for more funding.

Mayor Hurley expressed confidence that the local share will be found.

Cr Higgins said the resolution commits Council on the assumption that the fundraising commitment of Good Sport Motueka will be met.

Cr King said the fundraising does have to be satisfied, and it is important to understand that with some of the projects Council may not be satisfied and they may not get the same level of confidence.

Mr Kennedy said we are confident that Good Sport Motueka can meet the target of \$260,000.

Cr Norriss said it is not just about getting the project underway but it is also reporting back on performance.

Mayor Hurley has attended most of the consultation meetings with Good Sport Motueka and has confidence that fundraising will be reached.

Cr O'Shea asked if Mr Dowler could speak to the points in the report on the fundraising prospects.

Mr Dowler approached a charitable trust and got \$110,000 which Tasman District Council holds on behalf of Good Sport Motueka, Lion Foundation gave \$60,000, 700 seats at \$100, and they have a lot more promised through donation of materials etc. He said they don't anticipate stopping at \$260,000 and they're looking at stage two, when we have to commit more money. We don't want it to cost the community, except for a gold coin donation to games. Naming rights for the grand stand have been allocated.

Cr Currie is concerned that stage two is being attached to this and can see escalating construction costs.

Mayor Hurley said any further stages will undergo the same scrutiny as this project.

Mr Kennedy said stage two is to do with the road linking through, we've had to put in new security fencing, new entrance way and new public toilet. They are not needed until the road goes ahead.

**Moved Mayor Hurley/Inglis
CN05/06/11**

THAT subject to Council being satisfied with fundraising projections, approval be given for the Rugby Park Grandstand to proceed based on the revised costings contained in the report from Arrow International and that up to 80% of the cost be met from the Community Facilities Rate.

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 2.10 pm.

Date Confirmed:

Chair: