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| REPORT TO: COUNCIL | |
| DATE: 23 June 2015 | |
| SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 26 MAY 2015 | FILE REF: |
| AUTHOR: C McGIMPSEY, GOVERNANCE ADVISOR AND POLICY STRATEGIST | ATTACHMENTS: |
| RELATED COMMUNITY OUTCOME: | RELATED COUNCIL ACTIVITY: |

PURPOSE:

Attached are the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 26 May 2015.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 26 May 2015 be confirmed as correct.

WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, Coronation Square, Wairoa on Tuesday, 26 May 2015 at 9.00am.

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Mr C Little (Chairman)

COUNCILLORS

M Bird, B Cairns, D Eaglesome-Karekare, H Flood, J Harker, M Johansen,

IN ATTENDANCE: F Power (Chief Executive Officer)
J Cox (Engineering Manager)
A Morton (Chief Financial Officer)
J Baty (Corporate Services Manager)
H Montgomery (Regulatory Manager)
G Symes (Chairperson – Māori Standing Committee)
P Kelly (Representative – Māori Standing Committee)
D Tipoki (Māori Relationships Manager)
K Tipuna (Communications Strategist)
C McGimpsey (Governance Advisor and Policy Strategist)

CIVIC PRAYER

The civic prayer was given by the G Symes (Chairperson of the Māori Standing Committee).

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies given for the meeting.

CALLS FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

CALLS FOR ITEMS OF URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS NOT INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA AND NOTICES

The following items were asked to be included on the agenda:

1. Correspondence – Te Tira (His Worship the Mayor)
2. Maori Standing Committee Unconfirmed Minutes 8 May 2015 (His Worship the Mayor)
3. Public nuisance bylaw (Councillor Bird)

Public Forum

No members of the public addressed the Council.

General Items

CEO's Monthly report

The CEO presented his report for the month of May.

A report was requested from Starkraving on their intended plans for discussion for the next ordinary meeting.

The CEO noted that Starkraving were an independent business which Council had little influence over; however, Mr Stark wanted to meet councillors and let them know of his plans.

Resolved: *That Council receives the report.*

Eaglesome-Karekare/Harker

PRESENTATION – RECOVERING OVERDUE RATES ON MULTIPLY-OWNED LAND

Mr Matthew Lawson from Lawson Robinson Limited gave a presentation to the Council on recovering rate arrears, highlighting the differences in the process for recovering rates arrears on Maori multiply-owned land. The challenge he gave the Council was to look at ways of helping people to make their land more productive so that they are able to pay the rates rather than solely focusing on the enforcement of paying of rates.

Councillor Cairns arrived at 9.12am after the start of the presentation.

Mr Lawson answered numerous questions from Council on the subject matter of his presentation.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr Lawson for his presentation and ideas on how to move forward on this issue.

The CEO informed the Council that a rating review process was being undertaken shortly and that this would be an area that was looked at.

2015 COMMUNITRAK SURVEY

The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) presented his report on the results of the Communitrak survey. This results provide performance monitoring data for the annual report. The full Communitrak report is publically available.

Councillors discussed the survey design and questioned the needed to review it in order to make it even more purposeful and meaningful feedback for Council to analyse. It was suggested that the Community Partnerships Committee could look at ways of doing this at their first meeting.

Resolved: *That Council receives the report.*

Bird/Johansen

2015 WALLKWAY/CYCLEWAY STRATEGY

The Engineering Manager presented the report and advised that the main purpose was to bring it to the attention of councillors so that they could provide feedback on the draft document before it was brought back to Council to sign off prior to public consultation.

His Worship the Mayor asked the Engineering Manager to pass on his thanks to the Roading Manager for his work and producing a good quality document.

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| <u>Resolved:</u> | <i>That:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Council receives the report.2. Council take the opportunity to review and comment/amend this draft prior to public consultation. | <i>Flood/Harker</i> |
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PRESENTATION – GOVERNMENT BUDGET SUMMARY

The Governance Advisor and Policy Strategist gave a presentation summarising the highlights of the central government's budget announcement, including initiatives that the Council should consider expressing interest in.

Councillors discussed some options for progressing. The CEO advised that as this was at an operational level he would progress with this and keep Council informed of the progress.

DISCLOSURE REGISTER

Councillors reviewed the register and gave the following updates:

Councillor Flood:

- Wairoa Te Hapori Haumarū - working group – member; education reference group - member
- Regional Welfare Advisory Group - member
- Local Welfare Advisory Forum - member
- Tairāwhiti REAP Inc - Employee
- Tairāwhiti Adult & Community Education Regional Network - member
- Strengthening Families Local Management Group Forum - member
- Priority Population Communities Regional Health Group - Wairoa representative member
- Manaaki House - Trustee

Councillor Cairns

- Hoe Waka Wairoa no longer exists
- Adventure Wairoa - Member

SEALING REGISTER

The Sealing Register was reported to Council for information.

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| <u>Resolved:</u> | <i>That the report be received.</i> | <i>Eaglesome-Karekare/Bird</i> |
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Receipt/Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Council Meetings

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 28 APRIL 2015

The minutes were checked through page by page and errors corrected.

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| <u>Resolved:</u> | <i>That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 April 2015 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings.</i> | <i>Eaglesome-Karekare/Harker</i> |
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COUNCIL ACTION SHEET

The Action Sheet was reviewed and updated.

Late Items not included on the Agenda

LATE ITEM – CORRESPONDENCE – TE TIRA

Council was provided with a copy of the correspondence from Te Tira and asked to take it away and consider it. The CEO will provide a map to Council to show the land parcels discussed in the letter.

LATE ITEM – RECEIPT OF THE UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE HELD 8 MAY 2015

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| <u>Resolved:</u> | <i>That in accordance with Section 46A (7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act the item UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE HELD 8 MAY 2015 be considered given the item had not come to hand at the time of Agenda compilation and consideration of this matter is required now in order to respond within the time frame allowed.</i> |
| | <i>Eaglesome-Karekare/Johansen</i> |

The Unconfirmed Minutes of the Māori Standing Committee Meeting held on 8 May 2015 were presented.

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| <u>Resolved:</u> | <i>That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Māori Standing Committee Meeting held on 8 May 2015 be confirmed as correct.</i> |
| | <i>Eaglesome-Karekare/Johansen</i> |

LATE ITEM – PUBLIC NUISANCE BYLAW

Councillor Bird passed on concerns from residents of public nuisance instances in the CBD area by certain members of the public e.g. begging and swearing. He questioned what the Council could do in order to prevent this instances from regularly occurring, which is to the detriment of the community as well as visitors.

The Regulatory Manager gave a brief overview of the options available but emphasised that enforcement of a public nuisance bylaw is a critical issue due to the risk it puts staff in as well as the resources required to do so. She suggested approaching the police to discuss the matter.

Mr Lawson suggested a prevention approach may be beneficial, such as the 'bobby on the beat' approach that Napier have taken.

His Worship the Mayor has a meeting with the police and offered to broach the subject with them.

Exclusion of the Public

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| <u>Resolved:</u> | <i>That pursuant to Section 48 of the Local Government Information and Meetings Act 1987, the public be excluded on the following grounds:</i> |
| | <i>S48(1)(a) that the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist</i> |
| | <i>Flood/Bird</i> |

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| <u>Resolved:</u> | <i>That pursuant to Section 48 (5) of the Local Government Information and Meetings Act 1987, that Mr Lawson be permitted to remain in the meeting on the following grounds:</i> |
| | <i>His legal expertise will be of assistance in the matters which are to be discussed</i> |

and he is contracted by the Council to provide legal expertise on sensitive matters.
Harker/Eaglesome-Karekare

PUBLIC EXCLUDED: 11:34am
RE-ADMITTED: 12.22pm

There being no General Business His Worship the Mayor declared the meeting closed.

CLOSED: The meeting closed at **12:23pm.**

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Chair
