



Rangitikei District Council

Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee Meeting

Minutes – Monday 8 August 2011 – 7:30 p.m.

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Present: Bob Crawford, Chair
 Bernie Hughes
 Paul Peterson
 Maurice Rowe
 Sam Weston
 Brent Journeaux
 Mark Dawson

In attendance: Colin Anderson, RDC
 Kevin Moody, RDC
 Andrew van Bussel, RDC
 Benita Engelsma, RDC, Minute taker

1 Welcome

Mr Crawford welcomed everyone to the meeting

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number **11/HRWS/013** **File Ref**

That the apologies of M Grace, J McManaway, D McManaway be received.

B Hughes / S Weston Carried

3 Notification of late items

None.

4 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number **11/HRWS/014** **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting held on 2 May .

M Rowe / M Dawson Carried

5 Matters arising

None.

6 Chair's report

Bob has sent the committee members a copy of the timeline for the alternative power project. Colin and Bob recently had a meeting with Phil in which he stated that micro hydro energy is a promising option with low installation costs and an expected payback in 3-5 years. There is a need to continue supplying Phil with the information he requires. Phil hopes to give the committee a firm indication of the options by the November meeting.

The erosion at the temporary pump is getting worse and Kevin confirmed that there is an issue. Mark and Chris have requested that the committee provide some assistance to protect the bank. It was discussed that it would be best to look at the issue during summer with Horizons. It has been suggested that the next meeting be held at the lodge to provide the committee with a chance to view the erosion Mark to be contacted to arrange.

Kerry from RDC received an irate phone call from one of the committee members whose private financial information was divulged by a committee member. Bob stressed that all

financial information is private and strictly confidential should an issue arise in the future RDC or Bob should handle the issue.

Resolved minute number **11/HRWS/ 015** **File Ref**

That the Chair's report to the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee's meeting of 8 August 2011 be received.

B Journeaux / S Weston Carried

7 Correspondence

None.

8 Financial report

Colin presented the latest financial report. Sam asked if the name of the accounts can be edited to make it easier to identify the jobs, Colin explained the RDC code system. It has been suggested that if the power project goes ahead it is allocated its own code.

The final balance will be available at the next meeting but Kerry will email the final balances to the committee members once it has been completed.

Resolved minute number **11/HRWS/016** **File Ref**

That the Hunterville Rural Water Supply Financial Statement 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 be received.

P Peterson / B Hughes Carried

9 Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations Report

There was much discussion on the benefits of variable speed and slow starts at the pump stations. There have been preliminary discussions with the power company but we will not get any sympathy. Andrew has a meeting with Powerco and has recommended that RDC do their homework and come back to the committee with all the available options. The committee has moved the motion that Council is to investigate solutions and issues with variable speeds and slow starts along with costings for the solutions.

Mark requested that the tank installation is delayed to late October due to farming operations and the very wet ground conditions.

Future work planned for the Fork and Onepuhi lines have been delayed due to the weather.

Resolved minute number **11/HRWS/017** **File Ref**

That the 'Hunterville Rural Water Supply – Operations report' dated 1 August 2011 be received.

B Journeaux / S Weston Carried

10 Budgets

Budgets need to be placed in the agenda to remind the committee.

Need to contact Angela to discuss the rebate.

11 General business

Andrew informed the committee that due to a restructure in the RDC Utilities department Kevin has been promoted. The new position will provide him with the opportunity to further his knowledge. Kevin's day to day involvement will be slowly phased out and there will be a replacement for Kevin in due course.

12 Next meeting

14 November 2011

13 Meeting closed

8.30pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____