

Council

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers, 126-148 Oxford St, Levin, on Tuesday 11 April 2017 at 5.30 pm.

PRESENT

Mayor Deputy Mayor Councillors Mr M Feyen Cr W E R Bishop Cr R J Brannigan Cr R H Campbell Cr B F Judd Cr V M Kaye-Simmons Cr J F G Mason Cr C B Mitchell Cr B P Wanden

IN ATTENDANCE

Reporting Officer	Mrs M Davidson	(Group Manager – Customer & Community Services)
	Mr M Lester Mrs K J Corkill	(Project Coordination Manager) (Meeting Secretary)

MEDIA IN ATTENDANCE

Ms S Verdonk

(Video Journalist, NZ Herald Local Focus)

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE

There were 15 members of the public in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

1 Apologies

Apologies were recorded for Crs Gimblett and Tukapua.

MOVED by Cr Mason, seconded Cr Wanden:

THAT the apologies from Crs Gimblett and Tukapua be accepted.

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

Crs Bishop, Kaye-Simmons, Judd, Mason, Wanden, Brannigan and Mason individually declared they did not have a conflict of interest, with Cr Campbell also saying he did not know of any conflict of interest.

3 Announcements

There were no announcements.

Prior to the meeting moving into Public Excluded, the Mayor stood to address the meeting noting that while he was standing he should not be interrupted (as was provided for in Standing Orders). Mayor Feyen explained in some detail why he believed the meeting was flawed and should be cancelled citing various pieces of legislation which supported his contention that the meeting should not proceed.

Prior to putting the resolution to move into public excluded, issues raised by His Worship included:

- the general nature of what was to be considered which involved changing the reporting lines between the CE and his governing body and could have legal and contractual implications;
- the short notice provided which did not allow sufficient time for a briefing or independent investigation;
- the meeting pre-empting and prejudicing an issue that could affect the entire council as the governing body of the district;
- predetermination from those who signed the requisition to call the extraordinary meeting;
- the setting of a dangerous precedent.

4 **Procedural motion to exclude the public**

MOVED by Cr Mason, seconded Cr Judd:

THAT the public be excluded from the following part(s) 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 follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

C1 Proposal to Change the Terms of Reference of a Council Committee and other related matters

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	s7(2)(a) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

The text of these resolutions is made available to the public who are present at the meeting and form part of the minutes of the meeting.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Councillors: Wayne Bishop Ross Brannigan Barry Judd Victoria Kaye-Simmons Joanna Mason Christine Mitchell Bernard Wanden Against: Councillors: Ross Campbell

Michael Feyen

The division was declared <u>CARRIED</u> by 7 votes to 2.

5.40 pm The public were excluded.

Resolutions in relation to the confidential items are recorded in the confidential section of these minutes and are not publicly available.

6.25 pm

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AT A MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON

DATE:

CHAIRPERSON: