
Minutes of a meeting of the Nelson City Council - Infrastructure
Held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson
On Thursday 2 February 2012, commencing at 10.36am

Present: His Worship the Mayor (A Miccio), Councillors I Barker, A Boswijk (Deputy Mayor), G Collingwood (Portfolio Holder), R Copeland, P Matheson, R Reese, D Shaw and M Ward

In Attendance: Chief Executive (K Marshall), Executive Manager Support Services (H Kettlewell), Executive Manager Community Services (S Coleman), Executive Manager Regulatory R Johnson) Executive Manager Community Relations/Kaihautu (G Mullen), Chief Financial Officer (N Harrison), Executive Manager Network Services (A Louverdis), Executive Manager Policy and Planning (M Schruer), Manager Strategic Response (C Ward), Manager Resource Consents (M Bishop) and Administration Adviser (A Rose)

Apologies: Received and accepted from Councillors E Davy, K Fulton, J Rackley and P Rainey

1. Conflicts of Interest

No updates to the Conflicts of Interest Register were noted and no conflicts of interest with any agenda items were declared.

2. Public Forum

Mr John Hill, a Buller District Councillor, gave a short presentation to Council on recycling. He said that traditionally only paper, plastics, glass and metals were recycled and these only accounted for approximately 49% of the municipal solid waste stream.

He advocated that Council investigate recycling its organic waste which he said made up 50% of Council's municipal solid waste stream. He said this organic waste could be converted by hydrothermal deconstruction into acetic acid, for which there was a ready market. He advised that there was a pilot plant in Rotorua that was already doing this. He urged Council to look into this process and he indicated that it was very economically viable.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr Hill for his presentation.

3. Status Report - Infrastructure

Document No. 1034781, agenda page 1 refers.

Resolved

THAT the Status Report – Infrastructure (1034781) be received.

Collingwood/Shaw

Carried

4. Portfolio Holder's Report

Councillor Collingwood tabled a press clipping from the Nelson Evening Mail, Saturday 10 October 1998 (Document No. 1231578) which reported on flooding that had occurred at that time in The Wood area of Nelson, in particular on the corner of Weka and Tasman Street.

She said that Council had come a long way since the 1990s with its improvements to stormwater disposal around the City and she said that had this work not been carried out the recent floods in December 2011 would have been much much worse. She said Council could take a great deal of credit from the work it had done over the years to safeguard the City.

5. Chief Executive Report - Infrastructure

Document No. 1197767, agenda pages 2-33 refer.

The Council went through the Chief Executive Report page by page.

5.1 Major Projects Performance and December Flooding

There was some discussion regarding the tenders that had been placed on hold to be considered as part of the upcoming Long Term Plan considerations. The Manager Network Services gave an update on the latest position with these tenders, explaining which ones were being proceeded with.

5.2 Fingerboard Sign for Summerset Village

There was considerable discussion regarding the request made at the Council meeting of 15 December 2011 by consultant Mr Mark Lile, acting on behalf of Summerset Village Ltd, that a decision, made under delegated authority as road controlling authority, be overturned in relation to siting a fingerboard sign on Masefield Street pointing to Summerset Village.

It was explained that the original sign at Nayland Road was agreed to some time ago and the replacement was approved. However, an additional new sign at the intersection of Masefield Street had not been considered necessary or appropriate under the Council's Road Sign Policy 2004.

During discussion Council expressed support for the additional fingerboard sign, as requested, to be permitted.

The Chief Executive warned that Council would put itself at risk by making a decision on the sign at the meeting today and advised caution.

The Councillors expressed the view that, given the submission made by Mr Lile on 15 December 2011 and the summary in the Chief Executive Report in the Agenda of the meeting today, they had sufficient information to make a decision.

Resolved

THAT the Council, as land owner, after considering the submission made by the applicant at the Council meeting of 15 December 2011 and the additional information provided in Section 6 of the Chief Executive Report (1197767), permit, in terms of the Road Sign Policy 2004, the erection of a fingerboard sign on Masefield Street pointing to the Summerset Village.

Ward/His Worship the Mayor

Carried

5.3 Use of Segways and Alterations to the Prohibited Areas Boundaries in the Inner City Zone

During discussion of the recommendation to revoke the decision to undertake a full review of the Parking and Vehicle Control Bylaw 2011 (No 207) and instead to undertake a limited review of the Bylaw, the question of the use within the City of segways was discussed.

The Council was divided on this issue and it was agreed that there should be some clarification sought from the New Zealand Transport Agency as to the status of segways and whether they could legally be used on footpaths. The majority view was that some consideration should be given to allow segways to be used and that the Bylaw should be amended accordingly.

Resolved

THAT the following resolution at the 3 November 2011 Council Policy and Planning Meeting be revoked:

AND THAT a review of the Parking and Vehicle Control Bylaw 2011 (No 207) take place in early 2012

AND THAT a limited review of the Parking and Vehicle Control Bylaw 2011 (No 207) take place in early 2012 including:

- ***consideration of the Rutherford Street and Collingwood Street boundaries of the Inner City Zone prohibited area;***

- ***consideration of the removal of reference to segways.***

Copeland/Ward

Carried

Resolved

THAT a letter be written to the New Zealand Transport Agency requesting it advise Council how it is dealing with segways nationally and in particular whether it supports the use of segways on footpaths.

His Worship the Mayor/Barker

Carried

5.4 Vandalism Information on Public Toilets

The Council expressed concern regarding the vandalism occurring in public toilets around town.

It was asserted that there had been a resolution passed by a previous Council that gave authority to reward a person or persons giving evidence leading to a successful prosecution of vandalism, and it was further suggested that this resolution should be researched and, if necessary, reactivated.

5.5 Parking and Vehicle Control Bylaw 2011 (No 207) Amendments to Schedules

Resolved

THAT the following alterations to the Schedules of Bylaw 207 Parking and Vehicle Control (2011) be approved:

- ***Schedule 4: Special Parking Areas;***
- ***Schedule 8: Time Limit Parking Areas;***
- ***Schedule 9: No Stopping***

Collingwood/Copeland

Carried

It was noted there was no need to make any alterations to Schedule 5: Metered Parking.

Resolved

THAT the Chief Executive Report – Infrastructure (1197767) be received.

His Worship the Mayor/Collingwood

Carried

Attendance: The meeting adjourned for lunch from 12.33pm until 1.15pm.

6. **Top of the South: High Productivity Motor Vehicles(HPTV) Feasibility Report**

Document No. 1218088, agenda pages 34-61 refer.

Resolved

THAT Council acknowledge receipt of the New Zealand Transport Authority Top of the South: High Productivity Motor Vehicles Feasibility Report (1208604) which supports Kokorua and Cable Bay roads as HPMV routes;

AND THAT neither Kokorua Road or Cable Bay Road are supported as HPMV routes;

AND THAT NZTA be requested to undertake further assessment of Kokorua Road to determine the safety of the HPMV vehicles and other road users;

AND THAT any decision on the Cable Bay Road HPMV route is postponed until such time as the road has been repaired and the intersection upgraded.

Ward/Copeland

Carried

7. **Three Roundabouts – Saxton Field Transportation Study**

Document No. 1219160, agenda pages 62-172 refer.

The Manager Strategic Response, Chris Ward, the Principal Adviser – Transport and Roading, Andrew James and the Principal Adviser – Resource Management Plan, Matt Heale, joined the meeting and presented the report.

The meeting expressed great concern that under this proposal Nelson ratepayers were being asked to pay for work which would primarily benefit Tasman District residents.

It was agreed to consider the recommendation in its separate parts.

Councillor Collingwood proposed and Councillor Barker seconded the recommendation.

Resolved

THAT that the Three Roundabouts – Saxton Field Transportation Study be received.

Collingwood/Barker

Carried

The remainder of the recommendation was put and lost.

Proposed: Councillor Barker, Seconded Proforma: His Worship the Mayor

THAT the Regional Transport Committee be requested to include a project regarding the Three Roundabouts – Saxton Field in the draft Land Transport Programme.

This motion was put and lost.

The Chief Executive urged that Council make its view clear to the Regional Transport Committee if it wished this project to be removed from the draft Regional Land Transport Programme.

Resolved

THAT the Regional Transport Committee be requested to remove the Three Roundabouts – Saxton Field project from the draft Regional Land Transport Programme.

Shaw/Copeland

Carried

8. Rates Remission for Land Affected by Natural Calamity

Document No. 1223946, agenda pages 173-176 refer.

His Worship the Mayor said that this item had been removed from the agenda because further information had come to hand and that the matter would be put for consideration on the agenda of the meeting of 21 February 2012.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

9. Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit – 2 December 2011

Document No. 1203177, agenda pages 179-186 refer.

Resolved

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit held on 2 December 2011 be received.

Matheson/Shaw

Carried

10. Remuneration Review Committee – 26 January 2012

Document No. 1227180 refers.

Resolved

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Remuneration Review Committee held on 26 January 2012 be received.

11. Exclusion of the Public

Resolved

THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting in accordance with section 7 and 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 on the grounds that the public conduct of this part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists.

Item	General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interests protected (where applicable)
1	Public Excluded Chief Executive Report – Infrastructure Release of Heritage and Archaeological research from Public Excluded Stock Effluent Disposal Facility Location New Civil defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)	Section 48(1)(a) The public conduct of this matter would be likely to result in disclosure of information for which good reason exists under section 7	The withholding of the information is necessary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 7(2)(h) To carry out commercial activities • Section 7(2)(i) To carry out negotiations
2	Proposed Purchase of Land for Walkway/Cyclway	Section 48(1)(a) The public conduct of this matter would be likely to result in disclosure of information for which good reason exists under section 7	The withholding of the information is necessary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 7(2)(a) To protect the privacy of natural persons • Section 7(2)(h) To carry out commercial activities • Section 7(2)(i) To carry out negotiations
3	Strategic Land Purchase – Haven	Section 48(1)(a) The public conduct of	The withholding of the information is necessary:

	Road	this matter would be likely to result in disclosure of information for which good reason exists under section 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 7(2)(a) To protect the privacy of natural persons • Section 7(2)(h) To carry out commercial activities • Section 7(2)(i) To carry out negotiations
4	Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit Public Excluded minutes	Section 48(1)(a) The public conduct of this matter would be likely to result in disclosure of information for which good reason exists under section 7	The withholding of the information is necessary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 7(2)(h) To carry out commercial activities
5	Remuneration Review Committee Public Excluded minutes	Section 48(1) (a) The public conduct of this matter would be likely to result in disclosure of information for which good reason exists under section 7	The withholding of the information is necessary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 7(2)(a) To protect the privacy of natural persons

Boswijk/Ward

Carried

The meeting went into public excluded session at 2.19pm and resumed in public session at 3.42pm during which time Councillors Matheson and Shaw left the meeting.

12. Re-admittance of the Public

Resolved

THAT the public be re-admitted to the meeting.

His Worship the Mayor/Copeland

Carried

13. Local Government Chief Executives Salaries

Resolved

THAT Council write to Local Government New Zealand and the Minister of Local Government to request consideration be given to reverting to the Higher Salaries Commission process when determining the salaries of Local Government Chief Executives.

Barker/Collingwood

Carried

14. Public Forum

His Worship the Mayor said there would be opportunity for Council to discuss the Public Forum given at today's meeting at the next Council meeting.

15. Local Government Commission Final Decision of the Union of Nelson City and Tasman District

There was a request for the opportunity at a future meeting to consider the Local Government Commission Final Decision of the Union of Nelson City and Tasman District that had been released on 31 January 2011.

It was also felt that it would be valuable to arrange to meet with Tasman District Council to go through the issues arising from the Local Government Commission's decision

There being no further business the meeting ended at 3.48pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings:

_____ Chairperson _____ Date