

WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL

MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Māori Standing Committee held at Te Rakato Marae, Wairoa on Friday, 10th July 2015 at 12:35 pm

PRESENT: P Kelly (Interim Chairperson)

P Whaanga, N Lambert, H Nissen, S Jury, G Hawkins, E Foster

COUNCILLORS: C Little (His Worship the Mayor)

IN ATTENDANCE: F Power (Chief Executive Officer)
C McGimpsey (Governance and Policy Strategist)
K Tipuna (Communications Strategist)
Fenton Wilson (Chair – HBRC)
Rex Graham (Councillor - HBRC)
Dave Pipe (Councillor - HBRC)
Michael Paku (Māori Committee Member - HBRC)
Peter Manson (Land Management Advisor - HBRC)
Viv Moule (HR Manager - HBRC)
Gary Clode (Engineering Manager - HBRC)

KARAKIA:

Meeting opened with a karakia by N Lambert.

APOLOGIES:

G Symes, D Tipoki, K Hammond and E Foster (for lateness)

<p><u>Resolved:</u> <i>THAT the apologies received from G Symes, D Tipoki, K Hammond and E Foster be received</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>P Kelly / N Lambert</i></p>
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CALLS FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Nil

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

Nil

PUBLIC FORUM:

*As per resolution from the 10th of July meeting of the MSC:
“THAT the Māori Standing Committee invite the Hawke’s Bay Regional Council to the next meeting to discuss Waipiata Stream and Kopuawhara River.”*

Mahia locals were invited to address representatives of the HBRC and WDC regarding issues affecting Waipiata Stream and Kopuawhara River.

Waipiata Stream

Mahia locals outlined issues affecting the stream and surrounding areas and wanted to ensure that they were consulted and were able to work with the HBRC and WDC to mitigate as much as possible the issues affecting the stream and surrounding areas. Issues include Waipiata stream as a site of cultural significance and the importance of tangata whenua being consulted before any work can be carried out on the stream, rocks being removed from the stream, sand being excavated from the stream and not removed as this is a potential hazard for children, flooding to properties in surrounding areas etc.

E Foster entered the meeting: 1.30PM

Resolved: *THAT the HBRC and WDC revisit the 2009 agreement with Mr Ray Thompson as it relates to the issues affecting Waipiata Stream;*

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THAT the HBRC and WDC work with local communities (including marae) to restore the Waipiata wetlands and stream.

P Whaanga / H Nissen

Kopuawhara River

Issues affecting the river are a result of forestry slash. Many speakers to this issue and the interim Chair noted that there is not enough time to resolve the issues and/or come to some agreement at this meeting.

Resolved: *THAT the MSC host an extraordinary meeting as soon as possible at Mahia to facilitate discussions between Mahia local communities (including marae), HBRC, WDC, GDC and JNL to discuss the issues of forestry slash affecting Mahia.*

N Lambert / H Nissen

MEETING AJDOURNED 2.04PM
MEETING RECONVENED 2.30PM

Confirmation of Minutes

MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 12th JUNE, 2015

Minutes of the Māori Standing Committee held on Friday, 12th June, 2015 were presented.

Resolved: *That the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee held on Friday 12th June, 2015 be confirmed as correct.*

G Hawkins / S Jury

MATTERS ARISING

Crime – The Communications Strategist updated the committee as to this item. A letter has been sent to the Chair of Te Wairoa He Hapori Haumarū and the Chair will be invited to the August MSC meeting. The Mayor also hosted a meeting between the Māori Wardens, Securitaz and Te Wairoa He Hapori Haumarū. Apologies were received from the Police. Discussions at the meeting included a cohesive approach to working together.

MĀORI RELATIONSHIPS MANAGER REPORT

Resolved: *THAT the Māori Relationships Manager's report be received.*

N Lambert / E Foster

GENERAL

Māori Policy:

Dates are being finalised for the proposed workshop.

Next Meeting:

It was agreed that the August meeting of the Māori Standing Committee be hosted at Waimako Marae. This meeting was requested by locals and it would be good if locals could have the opportunity to discuss 'rates for Māori land'. Reminder to invite Duane Culshaw and Sonia Smith (HBDHB) as they were both scheduled to present to the August meeting.

CLOSED: The meeting closed with a karakia by N Lambert at 3:11 pm.