Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on Thursday 21 September 2017, commencing at 8.31am in the Manawatū District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

PRESENT: Mayor Helen Worboys (Chairperson)
Cr Steve Bielski
Cr Barbara Cameron
Cr Stuart Campbell
Cr Shane Casey
Cr Phil Marsh
Cr Andrew Quarrie
Cr Alison Short
Cr Howard Voss

APOLOGY: Cr Hilary Humphrey

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Cr Michael Ford

IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Templer (Chief Executive)
Colleen Morris (Acting General Manager – Corporate and Regulatory)
Brent Limmer (General Manager - Community and Strategy)
Hamish Waugh (General Manager – Infrastructure)
Frances Smorti (General Manager – People and Culture)
Paul Stein (Communications Manager)
Danielle Balmer (Communications Officer)
Stacey Bell (Economic Development Adviser)
Michael Hawker (Project Delivery Manager)
Janine Hawthorn (Community Development Adviser)
Tracey Hunt (Strategy Manager)
Karel Boakes (Regulatory Manager)
Brent Holmes (Roading Operations Team Leader)
Doug Tate (Community Facilities Manager)
John Jones (Roading Manager)
Wendy Thompson (Land Development Manager)
Malcolm Thomas (Consultant)
Lorraine Thompson (Executive Assistant – General Manager Corporate and Regulatory)
Maria Brenssell (Executive Assistant – Mayor)
Allie Dunn (Governance Team Leader)

MDC 17/254 MEETING OPENING
Wayne Jellyman, of the Salvation Army, opened the meeting in prayer.

MDC 17/255 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED
That the apology from Councillor Hilary Humphrey be accepted.

Moved by: Councillor Steve Bielski
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Seconded by: Councillor Phil Marsh

CARRIED

MDC 17/256 REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no requests for leave of absence.

MDC 17/257 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Council meeting held 17 August 2017 be adopted as a true and correct record.

Moved by: Councillor Barbara Cameron
Seconded by: Councillor Howard Voss

CARRIED

MDC 17/258 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Alison Short - Item 9.1 Recommendation from Community Funding Committee re Private Cemetery Application

MDC 17/259 PUBLIC FORUM - OLIVIA WILLIAMS

Olivia Williams, recipient of a Representative Grant towards the cost of attending the 2017 International School Psychology Association (ISPA) Conference held in Manchester, United Kingdom on 19 to 22 July 2017 spoke about her research into the current barriers to teachers being able to refer children on to educational psychology services. She talked about her internship in the Ministry of Education and explained how her research highlighted that teachers did not know what services were available in this field and how to access them, which meant children were missing out. Her research was selected for the 2017 International School Psychology Association Conference, which is usually attended by 600-1000 members of the association from 40 to 60 countries around the world. She thanked Council for the funding provided which enabled her to attend the conference and present her research in the New Zealand context.

MDC 17/260 PUBLIC FORUM - FEILDING ROAD CRASH RESCUE TEAM

Kevin Penn, of the Feilding Volunteer Fire Brigade from FENZ spoke about the road crash rescue team who were recipients of a Representative Grant towards the cost of competing in the Australasian Road Crash Rescue Competition held in Claudelands, Hamilton from 20 to 23 July 2017. He thanked Council for the funding provided and advised that they placed seventh overall of the twenty teams competing. The event took the form of one day of learning workshops, then three days of competitions. Competitions were simulated car accidents with varying degrees of entrapment. Their medical team placed second in their event. They planned to compete in future competitions including the national road crash rescue competition.
MDC 17/261 PUBLIC FORUM - JEFF TWIGGE, NEW ZEALAND HOUSE SURVEYS

Jeff Twigge spoke on behalf of his clients Lesley Thomas and George Griffiths, outlining their struggle with issues relating to their property at Number 4 Line in Ashhurst. He advised Council that they sought an arbitration meeting to resolve the matter to the benefit of all parties involved.

Her Worship the Mayor thanked Mr Twigge for taking the time to raise the matter with Council. She advised his points were noted and that the Council would discuss further in an appropriate forum.

MDC 17/262 PRESENTATIONS - WENDY MCGUINNESS, MCGUINNESS INSTITUTE

Wendy McGuinness of the McGuinness Institute presented the working paper 2017/01 “Tackling Poverty NZ 2016 Tour: Methodology, results and observations”, along with the discussion paper 2016/02 “A Manawatu perspective on Tackling Poverty” and the proposal to the Rt Hon Bill English “Proposed Demarcation Zones for Public Policy Innovation”.

She spoke about how she saw Manawatu in the context of the workshops held, and the differences that came through at the Manawatu workshops. She went through the discussion paper from the Manawatu workshop, outlining the five key domains agreed by consensus at the workshops, and discussed the summary book.

Her Worship the Mayor thanked her for updating the Council on progress and noted that there was a need to get together to discuss and understand the issues and work on possible solutions.

MDC 17/263 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items notified for consideration.

MDC 17/264 RECOMMENDATION FROM COMMUNITY FUNDING COMMITTEE – PRIVATE CEMETERY APPLICATION

Report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 7 September 2017 presenting a recommendation of the Community Funding Committee meeting held 5 September 2017 regarding a Private Cemetery application received from the Anglican Parish of the Oroua that sought funding for maintenance of the private cemeteries located at St Michael’s Anglican Church, Stanway and St Agnes Church, Kiwitea.

Councillor Short declared an interest, took no part in the discussion and did not vote.

RESOLVED

That a grant of $1,000.00 be approved to Anglican Parish of the Oroua for the private cemeteries located at St Michael’s Anglican Church, Stanway and St Agnes Church, Kiwitea towards the cost of cemetery maintenance; to be funded from the Private Cemetery/Urupā Fund.

Moved by: Councillor Shane Casey
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Seconded by: Councillor Phil Marsh

MDC 17/265 SECTION 17A REVIEW PROCESS

Report of the General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 29 August 2017 regarding the final part of the first complete cycle of the service review process under Section 17A of the Local Government Act 2002.

RESOLVED

That the Council agrees:

a. That the following services are exempt by Council under s17A(3)a (where there is an existing contract commitment or the service is required by legislation):
   - Roading maintenance
   - Insurance and Electricity services

b. That the following services are exempt by Council under s17A(3)b (where the cost of undertaking a review outweighs the benefits):
   - 3 Waters (reticulation networks already reviewed in mid-2015)
   - Roading Professional Services

c. To the outcomes of the full review:
   - IT Support services – continue to contract out services.

Moved by: Councillor Alison Short

Seconded by: Councillor Barbara Cameron

CARRIED

MDC 17/266 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY – FINAL DRAFT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION


RESOLVED

That the Council:

1. approves the final draft of the Economic Development Strategy for public consultation; and

2. agrees to release the Economic Development Strategy for public consultation over the period 2 October to 3 November 2017.
Moved by: Councillor Howard Voss
Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey
CARRIED

MDC 17/267 EVENTS MANAWATU TRUST BOARD – EXEMPTION FROM BEING A COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATION


RESOLVED

That the Council exempts Events Manawatu Trust Board from being a Council Controlled Organisation under section 7(3) of the Local Government Act 2002 effective from 16 August 2016.

Moved by: Councillor Stuart Campbell
Seconded by: Councillor Alison Short
CARRIED

MDC 17/268 COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MINUTES


RESOLVED

That the Council receives the minutes of Manawatu Youth Ambassadors and Community Committee meetings.

Moved by: Her Worship the Mayor
Seconded by: Councillor Howard Voss
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10.12am and resumed at 10.38am.

MDC 17/269 JULY 2017 SNOW STORM EVENT FUNDING REQUEST

Report of the General Manager – Infrastructure dated 5 September 2017 seeking funding approval for costs associated with clean-up and permanent reinstatement works resulting from the July 2017 snow storm. Brent Holmes, Roading Operations Team Leader, gave a presentation showing images from the snow storm event.
RESOLVED

That the Council:

1. Approves funding of $3,563,398 for the response, clean-up and permanent reinstatement of the Roading Network following the July 2017 snow storm event.

2. Notes that $2,398,560 of the total cost will come from the NZTA Emergency Works Subsidy. The remaining $1,164,838 will be loan funded by the Roading Reserve.

Moved by: Councillor Steve Bielski
Seconded by: Councillor Phil Marsh
CARRIED

Councillor Stuart Campbell recorded his vote against the motion.

MDC 17/270 2017 SPEED LIMIT BYLAW FOR HIMATANGI, AWAHURI-FIELDING ROAD AND KAWAKAWA ROAD

Report of the General Manager – Infrastructure dated 4 August 2017 seeking a resolution to undertake consultation to introduce new permanent Speed Limits at Himatangi Beach, Awahuri-Feilding Road and Kawakawa Road.

RESOLVED

That the Council undertakes consultation to introduce amended speed limits to a section of beach fronting the Himatangi Surf Club (30km/h), and Awahuri-Feilding Road (80km/h), and Kawakawa Road (80km/h), where the three sites were previously limited at 100km/h.

Moved by: Councillor Howard Voss
Seconded by: Councillor Phil Marsh
CARRIED

MDC 17/271 AMENDMENT TO RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT FEES AND CHARGES


RESOLVED

That the Council approves the proposed fees and charges for additional functions under the Amendment to the Resource Management Act 1991 and that the Council adopts the Statement of Proposal required for the Special Consultative Process under the Local Government Act 2002.
Moved by: Councillor Howard Voss
Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey
CARRIED

MDC 17/272 2018 SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Report of the Acting General Manager – Corporate and Regulatory dated 7 September 2017 presenting for adoption the proposed schedule of meetings for the 2018 calendar year.

RESOLVED

That the Council adopt the 2018 meeting calendar as set out in Appendix 2 to the report of the Acting General Manager Corporate and Regulatory dated 7 September 2017, with the Council meeting scheduled for 19 July 2018 to be held on 26 July 2018.

Moved by: Councillor Andrew Quarrie
Seconded by: Councillor Shane Casey
CARRIED

MDC 17/273 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items for consideration.

MDC 17/274 MEETING CLOSURE

Her Worship the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 11.30am.

Approved and adopted as a true and correct record:

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CHAIRPERSON                                        DATE