

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL
EASTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EASTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON TUESDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2015 COMMENCING AT 2.00PM

PRESENT Messrs R Hunter (Chairperson), K R Caddy, A Green, P Schouten, R Webster and Cr J Thorp

IN ATTENDANCE Cr B A Gordon, Cr Leonard, Messrs Mr I McLeod (Drainage Manager), Mr B Stephens (Drainage Overseer), Sarah Holmes (Strategic Policy Planner), Katherine Quinn (Strategic Planner) and Ms C Black (Council Secretary)

APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

THAT the apology of B Conroy, K Reid and T Nicholson be received and sustained.

EPDD15/14 Green/Schouten **CARRIED**

WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL – UPDATE ON SCHEMES WORK PROGRAMMES

Waikato Regional Council Representatives Robert Hicks (Chair of the Waihou Piako Zone Committee), and staff: Kenny Growden, Ian Sara and Jordan Downs were in attendance.

The WRC proposed works programmes for the 2015-16 season as they affected the Eastern Plains Drainage District were presented.

The Committee noted that the indicator lights on some pumps were not operating when the pumps were running.

2016/17 ANNUAL PLAN – DRAFT LAND DRAINAGE & STORMWATER PROPOSALS (1454097, 1454924)

The Drainage Manager reported on the present the draft 2016/17 land drainage and stormwater proposals (including deliverables and expenditure budgets) to the Committee for its consideration. The proposals were attached.

RESOLVED

THAT the report be received, and

THAT the Committee recommends to the Council that the draft 2016/17 proposals including budgeted expenditure be approved for inclusion in a draft annual plan.

EPDD15/15 Thorp/Green **CARRIED**

LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MEETING HELD TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2015 (1449748)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Eastern Plains Drainage District Committee held on Tuesday 27 October 2015 are confirmed and are a true and correct record.

EPDD15/16

Webster/Caddy

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

DRAINAGE REPORT AND FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE 4 MONTHS TO 31 OCTOBER 2015 (1455901)

The Drainage Manager’s monthly report and financial report on the operations of the Eastern Plains District Drainage Committee for the 4 months to 31 October 2015 were presented.

RESOLVED

THAT the monthly report for October 2015 be received.

EPDD15/17

Schouten/Green

CARRIED

Turua

The Chairman attended the Turua Hall meeting on 10 November. Staff had prepared estimates for three open drain piping projects for the Committee to consider. The Committee’s preference was for the southern end of Waihou Street, north of Raratuna Street for a distance of 99 m, to be piped at an estimated cost of \$35,000. This construction work was recommended.

RESOLVED

THAT the piping of 99 m of open drain in Waihou Street, Turua, with 300 mm and 450 mm RCRRJ pipe at an estimated cost of \$35,000 be approved.

EPDD15/18

Schouten/Thorp

CARRIED

RESOLVED

THAT the financial report on the operations of the Eastern Plains District Drainage Committee for the 4 months to 31 October 2015 be received.

EPDD15/19

Webster/Green

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

MEMBERS’ COMMENTS

The members were invited to comment on any general drainage issues of interest in their areas.

Peter Schouten – weed in the Wani Road pump and feeder drain.

Richard Webster – queried the capacity of the Head pump which has been reconditioned recently. He was advised that the pump was acting as a drainage pump, had sufficient capacity and ran about 25% of the time.

Richard Webster – asked if the hi-level drains from the Piako Terrace had sufficient capacity. The Drainage Manager responded that all their stopbanks were the subject of a crest level survey this year, and that there was capital budget to undertake upgrades if necessary. Drain capacity will be checked at the same time.

Roger Hunter – asked whether Council had considered joint chemical tendering with other Councils. He also noted the potential for drain slumping with over-spraying of drain bank vegetation.

Cr Gordon – commented that members could be considering candidates from Hauraki District for representation on the Waikato Regional Council.

Cr Leonard – reported on outcome of K 2 K rail trail meeting held in Waitakaruru on Monday 16 November. There are concerns regarding access and stopbank maintenance programmes. Council is active in addressing the Yellow Bristle Grass issue.

The meeting closed at 3.00pm.

CONFIRMED

R G Hunter
Chairperson

23 February 2016