

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL

PAEROA RURAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PAEROA RURAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON THURSDAY, 07 MARCH 2019 COMMENCING AT 1.30PM

PRESENT Messrs M Peters (Chairperson), P Casey, K Gillingham, K Morrison and Cr J H Thorp (Council Representative)

IN ATTENDANCE Brendan Manning (Works Supervisor - Projects & Compliance) WRC, Cr P Buckthought (1.30-2.21pm), Messrs A de Laborde (Group Manager - Engineering Services), S de Laborde (Planning and Infrastructure Systems Manager), Mr B Stephens (Drainage Overseer) and Ms C Black (Council Secretary)

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PAEROA RURAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 04 OCTOBER 2018 (2478033)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Paeroa Rural Drainage District Committee held on Thursday, 04 October 2018 be taken as read and confirmed.

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Casey/Peters

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Telemetry – Mill Road Pump Station

At the previous meeting, Mike Peters raised an issue that he had observed regarding the Mill Road/Gerrand Road pump station. The pump was running when the floodgate is open creating increased running costs and believed it may require a telemetry upgrade to reduce pump hours. Mike requested that the pump hours be investigated.

At the time, Kenny Growden advised that he would investigate the level that the probe is set at or connect a flow metre onto the gauge to find out what is happening.

Brendan commented that WRC are looking at possibilities of flow metres and how they can work with controlling the pumps. Also the pump levels are based on land levels in the catchment and not directly linked to when the floodgates open.

Land Drainage Bylaw Review

It was proposed that a workshop be held with all the district drainage committees in April (4th) with the attendance of Councils Strategic Planner to go through the bylaw and receive feedback from members on any proposed changes or adjustments they wished considered.

Mike Peters suggested that Council staff mark up (in tracked changes) the bylaw document with their comments prior to the workshop and send out to each of the Paeroa Rural members. This would give the members more direction on any changes/adjustments to the bylaw worthwhile considering.

Drain Maintenance Maps

Steve de Laborde tabled drain maintenance maps and spoke on the detail in them. The Drainage Overseer provided additional detail regarding the maintenance works.

Machine Cleaning Budget Proposal

Adrian de Laborde took the members through the rates impact from drainage maintenance (machine cleaning).

Steve invited feedback/input from members to be considered at some time in the future following their review of the maintenance of drains shown on the map.

Cr Buckthought left the meeting at 2.21pm

Members Comments:

Culvert – Rotokohu Road - The Drainage Overseer spoke on the condition of the culvert in Rotokohu Road and suggested the cost of thrusting another culvert under existing culvert be investigated as opposed to lowering the existing culvert under the road.

The Drainage Overseer will get a costing for thrusting a new pipe.

Kevin Gillingham – washouts on his side of the drain in Rotokohu Road need to be addressed – trees planted in and alongside the drain are not ideal as they are affecting the integrity of the land drain.

The Drainage Overseer, Steve de Laborde, Cr Thorp and Kevin Gillingham will look at this area together.

Peter Casey – Mechanical spraying and Helicopter spraying – asked if staff keep stats on helicopter spraying. The Drainage Overseer advised that all this information is kept.

The meeting closed at 2.40pm.

CONFIRMED

M Peters
Chairperson

03 October 2019