

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL

WESTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WESTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WILLIAM STREET, PAEROA ON TUESDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2020 COMMENCING AT 10.30 AM

PRESENT Messrs B A Carter (Chairperson), B Keane, G Laurich, H van Eyk, R D Young, P Johnstone, Cr P Buckthought and Cr R Garrett

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

APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

THAT the apology of P Paterson and B Pirie be received and sustained.

WPDD20/01

van Eyk/Keane

CARRIED

LATE ITEMS

There was no late items.

CONFIRMATION: WESTERN PLAINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMITTEE MINUTES (03-12-19) (2704096)

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Western Plains Drainage District Committee held on Thursday, 03 December 2019 be taken as read and confirmed.

WPDD20/02

Buckthought/van Eyk

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Gavin Laurich – Hopai Road – Ponding Issues

Gavin Laurich reiterated the issue. Brendan Manning stated he would investigate further with WRC. Gavin believes the floodgate is not in the right place. That is why he is putting a block in it. He believes he is paying full rate. The issue arises when the tide is coming he takes water from other properties.

Karito Canal - Resource Consent

There was discussion regarding the time and compliance issues for this consent.

Steve de Laborde and the Drainage Overseer are still awaiting on final resource consent.

Waikato Regional Council Update – Brendan Manning

- Maukoro Canal – hay has been baled along the edge of the canal.
- WRC staff have sprayed bristle grass along roadside edges of the Maukoro canal.
- Richard Flint has reviewed this area.

- Maukoro line back – cleaned Maukoro landing road drain which has had weed removed to clear bank to ensure water can get back out. Taken willow trees out and topped up stopbank.
- Helicopter spraying has been booked next 2 weeks. Routine spraying has been undertaken on the Piako.
- Tractor has been purchased predominantly for spraying.
- Dead ducks have been found in Waitakaruru foreshore drain causing botulism – WRC have been removing them from the direction of the Department of Conservation.

DISTRICT DRAINAGE REPORT (NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER) AND FINANCIAL REPORT (FOR THE 6 MONTHS TO 31 DECEMBER 2019 (2705140))

RESOLVED

THAT the Drainage (November and December) and financial report for the 6 months to 31 December 2019 are received.

WPDD20/03

Buckthought/Johnstone

CARRIED

Ngatea Rainfall

Extremely low.

Budget Review Annual Plan 2020-21

Adrian de Laborde presented the Annual Plan 2020-21 budgets. Provided an explanation of the operating budgets and capital works programme. Requested feedback from the Committee on operating budgets not capital works.

There were no significant changes.

Land Drainage Advisory Committees Elections 2020-23 Term

Staff updated on the Land Advisory Committee election process which will be held between 25 February and 31 March.

GENERAL BUSINESS

MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ross Young – Mangawhero Flume – old system needs repair downstream.

Gavin Laurich – Brendan addressed question from Gavin regarding Rowerawe roadside drain (by Gill Leonard's property) looking to cut drain back to increase flow and take out fencing and purchase land option.

The meeting closed at midday.

CONFIRMED

B A Carter
Chairperson

May 2020