



Confirmed Minutes of the meeting of the Regional Sustainability Committee held in the Council Chamber, the Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 4 May 2010 at 9.34 am

Present

Councillors Laidlaw (Chairman), Aitken, Baber, Bruce, Donaldson, Kirton & Wilde, and Mr McKenzie.

RS 184 **Apologies**

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Bruce)

That the Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Councillor Burke and Mrs Mellish.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 185 **Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

RS 186 **Public participation**

No members of the public wished to participate in the meeting.

RS 187 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Moved (Cr Donaldson/Cr Bruce)

That the Committee confirms the minutes of the meeting of 17 March 2010, Report 10.121.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 188 **Submission on Wellington City Council's Draft 2010 Climate Change Action Plan**

Report 10.238 File: CP/20/06/01

Moved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Approves the attached submission to Wellington City Council on its Draft 2010 Climate Change Action Plan.*
4. *Authorises the Chair of the Committee to **finalise the text and** forward the submission to Wellington City Council.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

Text in bold was added by the Committee during the meeting.

RS 189 **Stuart Macaskill Lakes – revised construction programme for upgrade works**

Report 10.211 File: B/33/08/03

Moved (Cr Baber/Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Supports the revised construction programme for raising the water level and seismic upgrade of the Stuart Macaskill Lakes.*

4. *Notes, subject to approval of recommendation 3, that the Council's 2010/11 Annual Plan will incorporate the revised cash flow.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

That Committee asked Officers to ensure that any consequent changes in water availability due to the lakes work be adequately notified to the public well in advance of the work.

RS 190 Great Outdoors summer events programme

Report 10.200

File: PK/02/03/01

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/Cr Baber)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 191 Visitor monitoring framework – update 5

Report 10.190

File: PK/02/02/01

Moved

(Cr Aitken/Cr Donaldson)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 192 Proposal to merge the Greater Wellington Environmental Awards and Wellington Hawke's Bay Conservation Board/DOC Conservation Awards

Report 10.236

File: ENV/27/03/01

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/Cr Wilde)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

3. *Approves the proposed merger of Greater Wellington's Environmental Awards with the Wellington/Hawkes Bay Conservancy Conservation Awards to take effect from 2010.*
4. *Approves the format of the Encore Awards, as outlined in this report.*
5. *Asks that further consolidation of similar awards, and seeking of sponsorship, be explored.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted

Text in bold was added by the Committee during the meeting.

RS 193 **Group report for period ended 31 March 2010**

Report 10.169

File: E/06/32/03

Moved

(Cr Bruce/Cr Kirton)

That the Committee:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

RS 194 **Exclusion of the public**

Report 10.237

File: E/06/32/02

Moved

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Baber)

That the Committee

Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Electricity Hedging

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to the matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

**General
subject of the
matter to be
considered:**

**Reason for passing this resolution
in relation to the matter**

**Ground under section
48(1) for the passing
of this resolution**

*Electricity
Hedging*

The information contained in this report relates to Greater Wellington Regional Council tendering the electricity supply agreement for the key wholesale water supply sites and The Regional Council Centre. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would be likely to prejudice the Council's ability to obtain the best price when tendering as it would reveal their bottom line. The Council has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to enable Greater Wellington to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations).

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 10.28 am.

Cr CR Laidlaw
Chairman

Date: