



Please note that these minutes remain unconfirmed until the meeting of the Council on 7 November 2012

**Report 12.469**

26/09/2012

File: E/11/01/03

**Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Council Chamber,  
Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street Wellington, on  
Wednesday, 26 September 2012 at 9.30am**

**Present**

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Brash, Bruce, Donaldson, Glensor, Greig, Laidlaw, Lamason, McPhee, Ponter, Swain and Wilson.

**Public Business**

1 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

2 **Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 **Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

4 **Confirmation of Minutes**

*Moved*

*(Cr Swain/ Cr Wilson)*

*That the Council confirms the public and public excluded minutes of the meeting of 21 August 2012, Reports 12.390 and PE 12.391.*

The motion was **CARRIED.**

## Strategy/Policy/Major Issues

### 5 Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2012

Karen Young, Director and Zirus Zuber, Audit Manager, from Audit New Zealand advised that Greater Wellington would be receiving an unqualified audit opinion. Copies of correspondence received by Greater Wellington from Audit New Zealand regarding the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2012 were circulated.

Bruce Simpson, Chief Financial Officer, spoke to the report.

#### Report 12.455

File: SP/06/01

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*(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Approves the following new amounts, in addition to those budgeted, being added to or (deducted) from the respective reserves, subject to any changes requested by the Council:*
  - (a) Transport Rate Reserve 4,081,084
  - (b) Sustainable Transport Reserve 1,158,687
  - (c) Transport Planning Reserve (700,070)
  - (d) Transport Data & Analysis Reserve (162,886)
  - (e) Wai Bovine TB Rate - Bov TB 1,896
  - (f) Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Awhea 4,865
  - (g) Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Whareama (2,538)
  - (h) Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Homewood (6,946)
  - (i) Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Mataikona (587)
  - (j) Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Maungaraki 810
  - (k) Wai Rating Schemes-Catchment Kaiwhata (2,273)
  - (l) Wai Rating Schemes-Drainage 78,884

(m)	Wai Shingle Royalty	1,709
(n)	Wai Rating Schemes-River LWVD-Opex	(8,619)
(o)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Waiohine-Opex	19,828
(p)	Wai Rating Schemes - Gladstone	2,398
(q)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Waipoua	(9,818)
(r)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Waingawa	5,279
(s)	Wai Rating Schemes- Lower Taueru	335
(t)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Lower Whangaehu	860
(u)	Wai Rating Schemes-River Upper Mangatarere	(60)
(v)	Wai Rating Schemes- Te Ore Ore	10,185
(w)	Wai Rating Schemes - Mt Bruce	(2,940)
(x)	Wai Rating Schemes - Kopuaranga	(1,815)
(y)	Akura Nursery Reserve	35,739
(z)	Bioworks	30,759
(aa)	River Rate Reserve-Hutt City	(101,144)
(bb)	River Rate Reserve-Kapiti Coast	44,481
(cc)	River Rate Reserve-Porirua City	(394)
(dd)	River Rate Reserve-Upper Hutt City	6,209
(ee)	River Rate Reserve-Wellington City	10,728
(ff)	Plantation Forestry	2,558
(gg)	IT Operations Capex Reserve	755,191
(hh)	Wgtn Regional Strategy - Grow Wellington	(191,708)
(ii)	Rebudget 12/13 Parks Animal Pests Wainui	70,000
(jj)	Rebudget 12/13 Parks Animal Pests Akatarawa	131,000
(kk)	Rebudget 12/13 Legal Protection (QEII) General	75,000

(ll) Rebudget 12/13 Regional Possum Control	
Programme opex wbs	75,000
(mm) Rebudget 12/13 Wgtn-Airport PT Feasibility Study	27,000
(nn) Rebudget 12/13 Monitoring General	40,000
(oo) Rebudget 12/13 Belmont - Asset Mngt. - Opex	40,000
(pp) Rebudgets 12/13 Local Govt.Review	200,000
(qq) Rebudget 12/13 Pt Howard Pump Station	2,418
(rr) Rebudget 12/13 Cathodic Protection	2,821
(ss) Rebudget 12/13 GI Software Upgrade 2011	5,843
(tt) Rebudget 12/13 Trunk Network Development	5,238
(uu) Rebudget 12/13 Wainui Rack 1	2,418
(vv) Rebudget 12/13 Seismic work at SM Lakes	36,265
(ww) Rebudget 12/13 Land Purchase Lake 3	161,175
(xx) Rebudget 12/13 Lower Waitohu Improvements	7,108
(yy) Rebudget 12/13 Waiohine stopbank design	7,984
(zz) Rebudget 12/13 Wairarapa Accommodation Project Capex	88,141

4. *Adopts the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2012, subject to any changes requested by the Council.*

5. *Delegates to the Council Chair the authority to approve minor editorial amendments to the Annual Report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

**Noted:** The Council thanked officers for their work on the Annual Report.

## 6 **Feedback from the Ganz Mavag replacement proposal online survey**

Wayne Hastie, General Manager, Public Transport and Bruce Simpson, Chief Financial Officer, spoke to the report.

**Report 12.444**

File: T/22/01/01

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*(Cr Glensor/ Cr Lamason)*

*That the Council:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*
- 3. Notes the positive public support which reinforces the economic and risk analysis to replace rather than refurbish the Ganz Mavag fleet of trains.*
- 4. Confirms its decision to pursue the purchase of additional Matangi trains to replace the Ganz Mavag fleet.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

## **Corporate**

### **7 Finance Report for the two months ending 31 August 2012**

Bruce Simpson, Chief Financial Officer, spoke to the report.

**Report 12.458**

File: CFO/13/02/01

*Moved*

*(Cr Aitken/ Cr Glensor)*

*That the Council:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

## **Governance**

### **8 Policy on elected members' allowances and expenses**

Francis Ryan, Manager, Democratic Services, spoke to the report.

**Report 12.451**

File: E/05/02/03

*Moved*

*(Cr Wilde/ Cr Brash)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *Adopts the Policy on Elected Members' Allowances and Expenses 2012.*
4. *Notes that the policy is subject to approval by the Remuneration Authority.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

9 **Increase in the director fee for the Chair of WRC Holdings Limited**

**Report 12.224**

File: M/30/08/01

*Moved*

*(Cr Wilde/ Cr Glensor)*

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the contents of the report.*
3. *As sole shareholder of WRC Holdings Limited resolves as a special resolution by way of the written resolutions contained within Attachment 1 to authorise the payment of \$19,107 per annum to the director fee paid to the Chairperson of WRC Holdings Limited with effect from 1 July 2012.*
4. *Authorises the Chief Financial Officer and any Councillor to sign the attached written resolutions of the sole shareholder (Attachment 1).*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

## **Committees/Meetings**

10 **Report on the Regional Transport Committee meeting, 15 August 2012**

Wayne Hastie, General Manager, Public Transport, spoke to the report.

**Report 12.382**

File: E/11/07/04

*Moved*

*(Cr Glensor/ Cr Brash)*

*That the Council:*

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

11 **Report on the Environmental Wellbeing Committee meeting, 11 September 2012**

**Report 12.437**

File: E/11/02/04

*Moved*

*(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Lamason)*

*That the Council:*

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

12 **Report on the Social and Cultural Wellbeing Committee meeting, 12 September 2012**

**Report 12.443**

File: E/11/01/04

*Moved*

*(Cr Wilson/ Cr Greig)*

*That the Council:*

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

13 **Report on the Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting, 13 September 2012**

**Report 12.445**

File: E/11/01/04

*Moved*

*(Cr Glensor/ Cr Ponter)*

*That the Council:*

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

14 **Report on the Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee meeting, 18 September 2012**

**Report 12.453**

File: E/11/01/04

*Moved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Ponter)*

*That the Council:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

15 **Report on the Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee meeting, 19 September 2012**

**Report 12.456**

File: E/11/01/04

*Moved*

*(Cr Aitken/ Cr Donaldson)*

*That the Council:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the contents of the report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

16 **Exclusion of the public**

*Moved*

*(Cr Wilde/ Cr Donaldson)*

*That the Council:*

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

- 1. Boulcott/Hutt Stopbank Project: Reinstatement of golf course features disrupted by the stopbank*
- 2. Greater Wellington Regional Council Head Office accommodation*
- 3. Review of the Chief Executive's performance for the year ended 30 June 2012*

*The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each 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:*



<b><i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i></b>	<b><i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i></b>	<b><i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i></b>
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<p>1. <i>Boulcott/Hutt Stopbank Project: Reinstatement of golf course features disrupted by the stopbank</i></p>	<p><i>Information contained in this report relates to the payment of a negotiated sum of money to the Boulcott's Farm Heritage Golf Club to complete course reinstatement works for which the Council is responsible. The negotiated sum has been arrived at on a without prejudice basis, and not been formally accepted by the Council and the Golf Club. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage the Council if further negotiations were to take place as it would reveal the Council's negotiation strategy. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override these prejudices.</i></p>	<p><i>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 out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).</i></p>
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<p>2. <i>Greater Wellington Regional Council Head Office accommodation</i></p>	<p><i>The information contained in this report relates to GWRC entering into a commercial lease which is still to be negotiated. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage the Council in the negotiations as it would reveal information on the Council's negotiation strategy. 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.</i></p>	<p><i>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 out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).</i></p>
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3. *Review of the Chief Executive's performance for the year ended 30 June 2012* The information contained in this report relates to the Chief Executive's performance for 2011/12. Release of this information would prejudice David Benham's privacy by disclosing details of his performance. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override his privacy. 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)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect the privacy of natural persons).

*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 10.30am.

FH Wilde  
(Chair)

Date: