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Report of the Meeting of the Utility Services Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 4 April 2000 at 9.30am

Matters for Council decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box Matters for information of Council are in italic type

Present

Councillors Shaw (Deputy Chairperson), Laidlaw, Macaskill, Thomas and Werry and Councillor Hutchings (Wellington City Council)

Officers Present

Messrs Benham, Darroch, Karin Floyd, Leonard, Morrison, Roberts and Sells

Public Business

Procedural Items

US105 Apologies

Resolved (Cr Laidlaw/Cr Thomas)

That the apologies from Councillor McQueen and Councillor Shields be confirmed.

Members noted Councillor McQueen was attending the funeral of a friend in Auckland.

US106 Public Participation

Paul Hughes

Paul Hughes said he was pleased the Regional Council was legalising the Forest Management Plan but wished to make three points:

- (1) The proposed replanting programme should be in accord with the Forest Lands Management Plan
- (2) New planting sites should be identified more clearly
- (3) Council should ask for public comment.

Mr S Garlick, Water Manager, Hutt City Council

Mr Garlick said the poll in Petone showed there was overwhelming support for non-fluoridated drinking water and residents were simply requesting a continuation of conditions they had always enjoyed. There were savings which resulted in limited cost increases overall.

The following persons also made representations:

- Mary Burn, Stop Fluoride Group
- Gordon Rounthwaite, Stop Fluoride Group
- Pam Atkinson, Toxin Action Group
- Gay Orwin, Ratepayer, Point Howard
- Allan Fricker, Ratepayer, Lower Hutt
- Colin Robertson, Ratepayer, Naenae
- Mark Atkin, Ratepayer, Lower Hutt
- A Landon, Ratepayer, Petone

Several papers were distributed to members.

US107 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr Thomas/Cr Werry)

That the public and public excluded minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2000, Report 00.168 and Report PE00.170, the public excluded part to remain in public excluded, be confirmed.

Resolved

(Cr Thomas/Cr Werry)

That the public and public excluded minutes of the special meeting held on 21 February 2000, Report 00.217 and Report PE 00.220, the public excluded part to remain in public excluded, be confirmed.

Matters for Consideration

US108 Petone Water Supply

Report 00.149 File: B/19/6/1

This item has been reported separately to the Policy and Finance Committee.

11.35am Councillor Hutchings apologised for his early departure.

US109 Forest Working Plan

Report 00.208 File: F/2/2/1

This item has been reported separately to the Policy and Finance Committee.

US110 Electricity Network Contract

Report 00.233 File: B/6/7/3

Resolved (Cr Thomas/Cr Werry)

- (i) That the acceptance of a UnitedNetworks Contract for line services be approved.
- (ii) That the common seal of the Council be affixed to the Contract documents.

Matter for Information

US111 Divisional Report

Report 00.227 File: O/2/1/10

Resolved (Cr Werry/Cr Thomas)

That the report be received and the information noted.

Other Matters

US112 Questions

There were no questions.

US113 General

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting concluded at 12.05pm.

COUNCILLOR ROBERT SHAW

Deputy Chairman

Date:

Policy and Finance Committee – 13 April 2000

To be moved:

That the report of the meeting of the Utility Services Committee held on 4 April 2000, Items US 105 to US 107 inclusive and US110 to US113 inclusive, be adopted.