

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE GREY DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Held in Council Chambers, 105 Tainui Street, Greymouth**

**on Monday 9 December 2024 commencing at 4.00 pm**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Tania Gibson (Chair)  
Councillor Allan Gibson (Deputy Mayor), Councillor John Canning, Councillor Peter Davy, Councillor Kate Kennedy, Councillor Rex MacDonald, Councillor Robert Mallinson, Councillor Tim Mora, Councillor Jack O'Connor, Kaiwhakahaere Francois Tumahai

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Joanne Soderlund (Chief Executive), Aaron Haymes (Group Manager Operations), Neil Engelbrecht (Finance Manager), Megan Bourke (Communications Officer), Trish Jellyman (Democracy Advisor), Catriona Bayliss (Executive Officer) left at 4.14pm.

**1 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**1.1 APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**1.2 UPDATES TO THE INTERESTS REGISTER**

There were no updates to the Interest Register.

**1.3 IDENTIFY ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS IN THE AGENDA**

There were no declarations of interest.

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**2.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 31 OCTOBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/061**

**Moved: Cr Allan Gibson**  
**Seconded: Cr Kate Kennedy**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 31 October 2024 be confirmed as true and correct.

**Carried Unanimously**

**2.2 CONFIRMATION OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14 NOVEMBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/062**

**Moved:** Cr Allan Gibson  
**Seconded:** Cr Kate Kennedy

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 14 November 2024 be confirmed as true and correct.

**Carried Unanimously**

**2.3 RECEIPT OF MINUTES OF THE CREATIVE COMMUNITIES SCHEME ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR INFORMATION OF COUNCIL HELD 23 OCTOBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/063**

**Moved:** Cr Allan Gibson  
**Seconded:** Cr Kate Kennedy

That the minutes of the Creative Communities Scheme Assessment Sub-Committee Meeting held on 23 October 2024 be received and noted.

**Carried Unanimously**

**2.4 RECEIPT OF MINUTES OF THE SPORT NEW ZEALAND RURAL TRAVEL FUND SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR INFORMATION OF COUNCIL HELD 23 OCTOBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/064**

**Moved:** Cr Allan Gibson  
**Seconded:** Cr Kate Kennedy

That the minutes of the Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Fund Sub-Committee Meeting held on 23 October 2024 be received and noted.

**Carried Unanimously**

**2.5 RECEIPT OF MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONS AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME DELIVERY COMMITTEE HELD UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR INFORMATION OF COUNCIL HELD 25 NOVEMBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/065**

**Moved:** Cr Allan Gibson  
**Seconded:** Cr Kate Kennedy

That the minutes of the Operations and Capital Programme Delivery Committee held on 25 November 2024 be received and noted.

**Carried Unanimously**

**2.6 RECEIPT OF MINUTES OF THE FINANCE REGULATORY AND BUSINESS SUPPORT COMMITTEE HELD UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR INFORMATION OF COUNCIL HELD 25 NOVEMBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/066**

**Moved:** Cr Allan Gibson  
**Seconded:** Cr Kate Kennedy

That the minutes of the Finance Regulatory and Business Support Committee held on 25 November 2024 be received and noted.

**Carried Unanimously**

**3 LIST OF ACRONYMS USED****4 MATTERS UNDER ACTION****4.1 MATTERS UNDER ACTION**

Refer page 39 of the agenda.

**5 AGENDA ITEMS****5.1 MAYOR'S UPDATE**

Refer page 41 of the agenda.

Her Worship stated that this is the last Council meeting for the year. She thanked all present for their hard work this year. She commented that everyone works well together and said that it has been a challenging year.

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/067**

**Moved:** Cr Robert Mallinson  
**Seconded:** Cr John Canning

3.1 That the Mayor's activity report for the period 21 October to 30 November 2024 be received.

**Carried Unanimously**

**5.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S UPDATE: 21 OCTOBER TO 30 NOVEMBER 2024**

Refer page 45 of the agenda.

Her Worship commented that the CE has settled in well. She has made a great addition to the team, it is great to have her on board and pleasing to see that both her and her family have settled in well to life on the West Coast.

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/068**

**Moved:** Cr Allan Gibson  
**Seconded:** Cr Tim Mora

3.1. That the Chief Executive's update for the period 21 October to 30 November 2024 be received.

**Carried Unanimously**

### **5.3 OUTCOME OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION: NELSON CREEK AREA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND - APPLICATION FOR NEW BUILD OF COMMUNITY CENTRE AND PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT**

Refer page 48 of the agenda.

Dwayne Solly and Jade Mahuika representing the Nelson Creek Community Inc (NCCI) joined the meeting and offered to answer questions.

**Moved: Mayor Tania Gibson**

**Seconded: Cr Allan Gibson**

That the report is received.

Cr Gibson stated that he is in favour of the NCCI receiving the balance of \$19,000 of funds. He stated they are very good group that is working hard to better their community.

Her Worship noted that quite a few meetings have been held regarding this matter and a lot of work has gone into this project. She thanked the NCCI for their efforts to date.

Cr O'Connor noted that \$165,000 is required by the community. He asked where they are at with fundraising.

Ms Mahuika responded that they have raised \$20,000 plus and are now looking at collaborating with the Ngahere community as they have quite a sum of money in their infrastructure fund. She stated that Ngahere is only seven kilometres away and they don't have any land to build their own facility.

Her Worship drew attention to some comments that Council received during the consultation process regarding flood risk.

The CE stated that Council's Regulatory Manager has advised that in the current Te Tai o Poutini Plan (TTPP) there is a flood plain layer over the land but through the hearing process for the TTPP it will be recommended that the flood plain layer comes off. She advised that updated mapping has produced two other flood layers for the TTPP neither of which cover this area.

Her Worship noted that there was a comment that the kitchen upgrade has been funded via the PGF. She said that this equipment can be moved to the new facility.

Her Worship asked the GMO what is likely to happen with regard to the community water supply. He responded that there is uncertainty around small community water supplies with the current legislation that is in place but there is every chance that this water supply may need some upgrades. He stated that it is likely some money will need to be spent on the water upgrade but currently he is not sure where this would come from.

Cr Gibson asked the GMO if advice on the water supply will be ongoing.

The GMO confirmed this and stated that staff will be available to inspect the water supply and also to liaise with the community.

Mr Solly stated that a lot of work has been done on the water supply but the biggest issue is that user pays for this. He stated that the Nelson Creek Domain was topping this fund up but this has now stopped and it will become a community funded scheme.

Cr O'Connor stated that he is in favour of option 3. He noted that only one third of responses were received and he is surprised at this low number.

Mr Solly responded that there has been \$176,000 spent on the water supply and the scheme supplies 36 homes.

Cr Gibson stated that the local community association is more than capable of looking after their water supply regardless of money, and the money should go to do what the community wants to do with it.

Cr Mora commented that this is a small amount of funding to make a difference to future water supply and the community should use the money for what they want to do.

Cr Kennedy spoke of the new Runanga Community Centre facility that opened recently. She stated there has been an instant positive reaction from the Runanga community. She stated that whatever the Nelson Creek community do for their facility it will enhance their community. She stated that she supports this initiative and is looking forward to seeing what comes of it.

Her Worship stated that Nelson Creek gets a lot of visitors and is a busy place.

Mr Solly stated that once the facility is up and running the benefit to the community will be great to see.

Her Worship thanked Ms Mahuika and Mr Solly. They left the meeting at 4.12pm.

#### **RESOLUTION      OCM 24/12/069**

**Moved:      Cr Allan Gibson**

**Seconded:   Cr Robert Mallinson**

That Council considers the submissions received and;

1. Approves the Nelson Creek Community Inc. request for \$19,000 funding from the Nelson Creek Area Infrastructure Reserve Fund.
2. Payment of \$19,000 to be transferred to the Nelson Creek Community Inc. bank account upon receipt of confirmation that the balance of the one third contribution for the new build of the Community Centre is available.

**Carried Unanimously**

#### **5.4      SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETING DATES 2025**

Refer page 60 of the agenda.

#### **RESOLUTION      OCM 24/12/070**

**Moved:      Mayor Tania Gibson**

**Seconded:   Cr Jack O'Connor**

That Council:

1. Receives the Schedule of Regular Meeting Dates for 2025.
2. Approves the meeting schedule provided in the report.

**Carried Unanimously**

#### **5.5      PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS RE URGENT MATTERS DURING DECEMBER-JANUARY RECESS 2024-2025**

Refer page 64 of the agenda.

#### **RESOLUTION      OCM 24/12/071**

**Moved:      Mayor Tania Gibson**

**Seconded: Cr Allan Gibson**

1. That Council receive the report.
2. The Chief Executive (or the officer acting as Chief Executive) be authorised to attend to all non-delegated matters that may arise on an urgent basis during the December 2024/January 2025 recess, subject to the following:
  - a. He/she consults with available Council members and only executes this authority if all members consulted agree on the proposed course of action.
  - b. He/she reports all executions of authority in terms hereof to Council during February 2025 for ratification.
  - c. This authority does not extend to the exclusions per Article 32 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 (matters that cannot be delegated) which issues shall be dealt with by the full Council as soon as a quorum can be achieved and notification requirements can be met.

**Carried Unanimously****5.6 GREY DISTRICT COUNCIL - PLAY ACTIVE RECREATION AND SPORT STRATEGY (DRAFT)**

Refer page 66 of the agenda.

Cr O' Connor declared an interest and took no further part in either the discussion or decision.

Her Worship noted Cr O'Connor's Sport West Coast role and the work with the CRSM to develop this strategy with stakeholders.

Cr Kennedy commented that she is happy to see Te Reo in the document.

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/072**

**Moved: Cr Kate Kennedy**

**Seconded: Cr Peter Davy**

That Council:

1. Endorses the Grey District Council - Play Active Recreation and Sport Strategy (Draft).

**Carried Unanimously****5.7 DOCUMENTS EXECUTED UNDER THE COMMON SEAL OF COUNCIL**

Refer page 96 of the agenda.

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/073**

**Moved: Cr Robert Mallinson**

**Seconded: Cr John Canning**

That the following document be executed under the Common Seal of the Council:

1. Cash bond for the supply of Electricity between Grey District Council and WEPLAN Limited at 28 Lydia Street, Greymouth. For Bond construction of provision of electricity to Lot 2 LT608505.

**Carried Unanimously**

## 5.8 FINANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Refer page 97 of the agenda.

Her Worship thanked the Finance Manager for his work in getting this report to Council.

Cr Mallinson stated that this is a very good report and reflects well on the steps taken to control Council's management of budget led expenditure. He stated it reflects well on all concerned. He stated that it is not often you see an actual 25% for an actual quarter with both revenue and expenditure.

### RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/074

**Moved:** Cr Robert Mallinson

**Seconded:** Cr Rex MacDonald

That Council:

- a) Receives the report and notes the contents.

**Carried Unanimously**

## 6 MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

## 7 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

### 7.1 RECEIPT OF MINUTES FROM OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

Refer page 104 of the agenda.

### RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/075

**Moved:** Cr Rex MacDonald

**Seconded:** Cr Allan Gibson

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The Minutes of the following outside organisation be received:

1. Minutes of the Te Tai o Poutini Plan Committee Meeting held on 10 October 2024.
2. Minutes of the Cobden Aromahana Sanctuary and Recreation Areas Inc Meeting held on 29 October 2024.

**Carried Unanimously**

## 8 IN COMMITTEE ITEMS

That the public is excluded from this part of the meeting in relation to:

**Agenda items 8.1, 8.2, 8.3 & 8.4**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason 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:

**RESOLUTION OCM 24/12/076**

**Moved: Mayor Tania Gibson**

**Seconded: Cr John Canning**

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
8.1 - CONFIRMATION OF IN COMMITTEE MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 31 OCTOBER 2024	<p>s7(2)(c)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest</p> <p>s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p>	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of 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 6 or section 7
8.2 - RECEIPT OF IN COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE REGULATORY AND BUSINESS SUPPORT COMMITTEE HELD UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR INFORMATION OF COUNCIL HELD 25 NOVEMBER 2024	<p>s7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</p> <p>s7(2)(c)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest</p>	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of 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 6 or section 7
8.3 - RECEIPT OF IN COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONS	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the



<p>AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME DELIVERY COMMITTEE HELD UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR INFORMATION OF COUNCIL HELD 25 NOVEMBER 2024</p>	<p>enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p>	<p>proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7</p>
<p>8.4 - IN COMMITTEE MATTERS UNDER ACTION IN COMMITTEE</p>	<p>s7(2)(c)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of 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 6 or section 7</p>

**Carried Unanimously**

**9 COUNCIL RESUMES IN OPEN MEETING**

**CLOSURE OR RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS IN OPEN MEETING.**

The meeting concluded at 4.25 pm .

**Confirmed**

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**T Gibson**  
**Chairperson**

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**Date**