

Central Hawke's Bay Consumer Power Trust

Annual Public Meeting held:
3:00pm, Monday 23rd July 2018
at the Waipukurau Club, 10 Russell Street, Waipukurau

MINUTES OF MEETING

1: PRESENT:

CHB Consumer Power Trust:

Alistair Setter (Chairman), Kate Laugesen (Trustee), Tim Gilbertson (Trustee), Catie Avery (Trustee, Mayoral representative) Richard Dakins (Trustee, representing Silver Fern Farms), Vicki Winlove (Executive Assistant)

Centralines (Board of Directors):

Jon Nichols (Chairman of the Board), Wendie Harvey, Dr Ian Walker, Derek Walker, Fenton Wilson

Centralines:

Len Gould (General Manager, Commercial), Kevin Corkery (Operations Manager), Brent Muggerridge (Company Accountant), Julie Collins (Executive Assistant), Devon Brown, Kimberley Booth

Public:

Julian Tan (Audit New Zealand), Chantelle Gernetzky (Audit New Zealand) Her Worship the Mayor Alex Walker, Brian and Lorraine Setter, James Aitken

2: APOLOGIES:

Marcus Peacock (Trustee), George Williams (Trustee, representing CHB District Council), Ken Sutherland, Hamish Best, Olwen Williams,

3: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (MONDAY 31st JULY 2017):

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Central Hawke's Bay Consumer Power Trust Annual Public Meeting held on Monday 31st July 2017, a copy having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

*B Setter / All in favour
CARRIED*

4: MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

5: TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018):

It was resolved that the Trustees Annual Report and audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2018 were accepted as correct.

5: APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR:

The Chairperson moved the resolution not to appoint an auditor for the 2018/19 year and to appoint the Office of the Auditor General to make an auditor appointment.

Kimberley Booth questioned why the Trust could not appoint Audit NZ as their auditor of which Alistair Setter explained that under current legislation we cannot directly appoint Audit NZ as our auditor and the Auditor General will make that appointment on our behalf.

James Aitken questioned the cost of the audit and Alistair explained that we will not see a reduction in fees this year due to the change in auditors and the extra work involved with this. However in future we should see a reduction in fees as Audit NZ already audit Centralines financial statements and this will save an external auditor re-auditing Centralines financial statements as required as part of the Trust audit.

L Setter / All in favour
CARRIED

6: TRUSTEES REMUNERATION:

The Board moved the resolution for the Trustees Remuneration for the 2018/19 year remain the same as the 2017/18 year.

Dr I Walker / J Aitken
CARRIED

7: CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

The Chairman, Mr Alistair Setter, acknowledged Centralines' strong year in terms of financial results resulting in a dividend payment of \$8,000,000 to consumers (\$905 after tax per ICP). As well as paying a dividend, Centralines has also contributed significantly towards the multi sport turf and swing bridge as well as 40-50 community and sporting groups. Centralines is one of the few corporate institutions that can provide this level of funding in our community, of which is why the Trust places such strong emphasis on company growth to enable this level of support to continue. Alistair extended his thanks of behalf of the Trustees to the Centralines staff for their professionalism and hard work to get the job done including travelling as far afield as Dunedin and Taupo; to Centralines Management and Unison for their expertise and value they bring to the Company and to the highly experienced Board of Directors for their professionalism and ability to lead this Company forward while keeping their eye on the future. Alistair welcomed Fenton to the Board of Directors and acknowledged the sad passing of Nick Story. Alistair also acknowledged the support of his fellow Trustees and Trust Secretary. In his summary, Alistair acknowledged how the transmission of energy is changing and the Centralines network will need to handle it. The Trust is looking forward to the future with ambition with a strong platform to grow from.

8: GENERAL BUSINESS:

Chairman of the Board, Jon Nicholls expressed his thanks on behalf of the Board of Directors and the Management team to the Trustees. Jon acknowledged how Centralines were lucky to have Trustees who were energetic, enthusiastic and engaged with the Company as well as acknowledging the strong working relationship between the Trustees and Directors.

Her Worship the Mayor Alex Walker also passed on her thanks to the Trustees, and in particular George Williams the CHB District Council representative and Catie Avery the Mayoral Representative for the work the Trustees do on behalf of the community. Alex also expressed her support and endorsed the

Trustees focus on growth. Alex acknowledged how Centralines is already working proactively alongside Council to enable growth of our area and Council staff are also enjoying a far stronger working relationship with Centralines. She also lent her voice in support of the Trust enabling Centralines to provide community sponsorship and support of intergenerational initiatives within the community.

James Aitken took to the floor to discuss the need for cellphone coverage in the large black area out towards the Omakere/Elsthorpe coast. James moved that Trust request the Directors enter good faith negotiations with cellphone tower providers and if appropriate, fund that tower if the Board were satisfied that it was a good community investment. Alistair gave reply and discussed the roll out of RBI2 and the need for Centralines to push for as much of Central Hawke's Bay to be covered as possible. Jon is to find out as to where the RBI2 project is at (Taylor Communications were awarded the Government contract). While telecommunications are not a core function of Centralines, Alistair acknowledged that Centralines do have a role to play.

Tim Gilbertson announced he would not be re-standing for the Trust and acknowledged how much he has enjoyed his time on the Trust and passed on his thanks to Centralines. He wished the Trustees and Directors all the best for the future.

Alistair thanked the public for attending.

MEETING CLOSED: 3:27pm

SIGNED:

Alistair Setter (Chairman)

Date