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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Wellington Regional Council held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Monday, 19 February 2001 at 9.30am

Present

Councillors Macaskill (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, McQueen, Shaw, Thomas, Turver and Werry.

Officers Present

Messrs Annakin, Benham, Bodnar, Darroch, Laplanche, Maguire, Morrison, Roberts, Saywell, Schollum, Sells and Stone

Public Business

Procedural Items

377 Apologies

Resolved

(Chairperson/Cr Gibson)

That the apology from Councillor Shields and the apology for lateness from Councillor Allen be confirmed.

Members noted Councillor Shields was absent on other Council business.

378 **Public Participation**

Mr C Devitt, Secretary and Mr W Cooper, Treasurer, Wellington Residents Coalition

Messrs Devitt and Cooper said water was necessary for life and should not be treated as a commodity under the control of a non-elected body. Water should remain in public ownership and be managed by a body comprising directly elected members who were accountable to the community.

The meeting adjourned at 10.15am and reconvened at 12.35pm.

Matters for Consideration

379 **Policy and Finance Committee – 19 February 2001**

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Resolved

(Chairperson/Cr Thomas)

That the recommendations of the Policy and Finance Committee meeting held on 19 February 2001 be adopted.

Councillor Gibson dissented.

The Chairperson thanked Mr Stone and officers for their frank and open advice and also thanked members for their thoughtful contribution in reaching the best decisions for the community.

The meeting closed at 12.15pm.

CR SA MACASKILL
Chairperson

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