

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF**  
**THE MOKIHINUI RATING DISTRICT**  
**HELD AT THE MOKIHINUI COMMUNITY HALL**  
**ON 25 OCTOBER 2011, COMMENCING AT 4.30 PM**

**PRESENT**

N. Barker, C. Gardiner, P. Gardiner, P. Batchelor, J. Climo, A. Climo, C. Pretty, B. Morgan, S. Olliver, N. Schaffer, B. Jones

**IN ATTENDANCE**

West Coast Regional Council  
T. Archer (Councillor)  
C. Ingle (CEO), W. Moen, P. Birchfield, T. Jellyman (Staff)

**APOLOGIES**

B. Climo K. Carmine, M & B. Hawes, T & B. Hiler, G & V. McLean, C. Batchelor, M & B Jary, B. Gardiner, M. Smith, Cr Scarlett.

*N. Schaffer / S. Olliver - Carried*

**BUSINESS**

T. Archer opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He introduced himself and the Council staff.

**Moved:** ***"That the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting held on 17 September 2010, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

*J. Climo / B. Morgan – Carried*

**MATTERS ARISING**

Action Points from last year's meeting were updated.

C. Ingle advised that he spoke with Tom Belton from DoC regarding pest plant control at the mouth of the lagoon. C. Ingle stated that he has not yet heard back from Mr Belton. C. Ingle offered to contact DoC again. C. Ingle asked the meeting if the gorse is having any impact on the floodwall. It was agreed that the gorse is not affecting the integrity of the floodwall but ratepayers are worried that this area could become a fire hazard. Cr Archer commented that there is no mechanism where council can force DoC to do anything. C. Ingle suggested that the rating district committee writes to DoC expressing their concern, as this might be a better angle of attack.

**Moved:** ***"That the rating district committee writes to DoC requesting that the gorse in the lagoon is sprayed"***.

*N. Schaffer / B. Morgan – Carried*

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

W. Moen spoke to this report. He advised that the opening balance at the beginning of July 2010 was \$11,131.00 and the closing balance to 30 June 2011 is \$22,129.99. W. Moen advised that \$950 was spent of staff time. W. Moen advised that further work has since been done in the current financial year and this money will come out of the account shortly.

**Moved:** ***"That the financial report for the 2010 / 2011 year be adopted".***

*B. Morgan / N. Schaffer – Carried*

## **WORKS REPORT**

W. Moen spoke to this report. He advised that there were no works carried out during the 2010 / 2011 financial year but since the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2011 rock riprap over 60 meters was topped up and maintenance on the seawall was done. W. Moen advised that these works came to almost \$13,000 with an additional \$5,000 allowed for unforeseen maintenance for the remainder of the year.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That the Works Report covering the 2010 / 2011 financial year be adopted.***
- 2. That the 2011 / 2012 works proposals be approved.***

*S. Olliver / B. Morgan – Carried*

## **RATES 2012 / 2013**

W. Moen advised that with the proposed works and the rate of \$11,467 previously struck for the 2011 / 2012 year the balance in the rating district account at the beginning of the 2012 / 2013 year is likely to be \$16,000. It is recommended that the same rate be struck as last year.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

***"That the rate strike for the 2012 / 2013 financial Year is \$11,467 (GST Excl) per the agreed uniform charge."***

*B. Morgan / N. Schaffer – Carried*

It was noted that the slight increase in rates is a result of the GST increase.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Cr Archer asked for nominations for the committee. J. Climo suggested that the committee remains the same.

**Moved:** ***"That the existing committee be re-elected, the committee consists of Joan Climo (Secretary), Michelle and Alan Hawes, Mick Hawes, Brian Mumm and Basil Climo for the 2011 / 2012 financial year."***

*J. Climo / S. Olliver - Carried*

**Moved:** ***"That Brian Morgan be re-elected as Spokesperson for the rating district committee for the 2011 / 2012 financial year."***

*J. Climo / N. Schaffer - Carried*

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### Asset Management Plan

W. Moen advised that when the asset management plan aerial photo was prepared he was a little uncertain of the how far the rating district seawalls along the coastal mouth went to. It was agreed that the rating district was responsible for the seawall, from the river mouth to 800m south of the mouth. W. Moen advised that including the riverbank works, the asset value is \$852,058. He advised this is based on replacement value. C. Ingle commented that the outer seawall has been reconstructed quite recently; he asked B. Morgan if the community were happy with these works. B. Morgan confirmed that everyone is happy with the works.

**Moved:***"That the Asset Management Plan is received."*

*B. Morgan /N. Barker - Carried*

Discussion took place regarding rock sources for repair works. A speaker asked why couldn't big rocks from up the hill be brought down and used when required. W. Moen advised that Selwyn Lowe sourced the rock for the recent works but there have always been problems with rock supply along this coastline. He asked the meeting if anyone knew of a good rock source of good standard if they could let him know. B. Morgan advised that it is now a lot harder to get access into the mines and they had looked at three or four sources and took the best they could get at a good price.

C. Ingle asked if there was any damage in this area following the December 28<sup>th</sup> flood event when a lot of areas on the West Coast were hit pretty hard. It was noted that the Seddonville pub was flooded. It was agreed that there was no damage to the seawalls, the river got very close to the top but flowed out through the cut. C. Ingle advised that a big flood event such as the December event is a good test for the rating district's assets. It was stated that Mokihinui has never been flooded by the river, only by the sea. It was agreed that the worse possible scenario would be if there was a flood after a very dry period and the mouth was low and the tide was large – around 3.6 metres all at the same time.

Cr Archer thanked the meeting for their attendance.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.55.p.m.

### Action Point

- Check GST percentage for rate strike.