

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 14 MAY 2013, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 11.16 A.M.

PRESENT:

R. Scarlett (Chairman), B. Chinn, A. Robb, T. Archer, D. Davidson, A. Birchfield

IN ATTENDANCE:

C. Ingle (Chief Executive Officer), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), J. Adams (Consents & Compliance Manager), M. Meehan (Planning & Environmental Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES:

Moved (Archer / Chinn) *that the apology from Cr Cummings be accepted.*

Carried

2. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved (Robb / Davidson) *that the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 9 April 2013, be confirmed as correct with the correction made as below.*

Carried

Cr Chinn drew attention to page 2 of the minutes. Third sentence under section 4.2.2. He would like the minutes changed to say "Cr Chinn feels that the Land and Water Plan has not been made operative at all as the same procedure has not been followed in the Schedule 2 wetlands".

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

REPORTS:

4.1 ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT

M. Meehan spoke to this report. He drew attention to the photographs of the flood damage repair work done on the Church Stopbank in the Franz Josef rating district on page four and five of the agenda. M. Meehan reported that a safety bund has been constructed at the Blackball quarry and a section of pinnacle rock has been blasted at the Kiwi quarry. He stated that both operations went very well.

M. Meehan reporting that there are reasonable stockpiles of rocks in all council quarries with rock being restocked in the Whataroa quarry following the recent job at Franz Josef.

Moved (Davidson / Birchfield) *that this report be received.*

Carried

4.2 CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT

R. Mallinson spoke to his report advising that this month's report is brief due him being on annual leave and taking part in management training. R. Mallinson reported that total investment income for the nine months is just under \$1.2M. He advised that investment returns for April have been excellent.

R. Mallinson advised that it is likely that by the end of June there will be around 150 funding approvals for the Warm West Coast Scheme. He advised that he has arranged for a \$400,000 draw down from Westpac to fund this scheme. R. Mallinson stated that this has been a very successful and worthwhile scheme. Cr Archer asked if the 50 new applications are likely to push the number up to 200. R. Mallinson advised that the 50 applications are included in the 150.

Moved (Archer / Davidson) *that this report be received.*

Carried

4.2.1 ANIMAL HEALTH BOARD SIX MONTH REPORT

Cr Scarlett welcomed W. McCook, M. Neill and D. Templeman from AHB, and K. Milne from TB Free West Coast to the meeting. K. Milne thanked council for the opportunity to present to the meeting. M. Neill introduced himself to the meeting and took councillors through the presentation.

Moved (Robb / Davidson) *That the report be received.*

Carried

5.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

C. Ingle reported that he has had a busy month. He advised that he was unable to attend the Regional Sector Group meeting in Wellington on the 3rd of May due to an aircraft fault. C. Ingle reported that he met with senior staff from the Office of the Auditor General on the 7th of May. C. Ingle reported that the meeting with the four South Island regional council CEO's held last weekend was a very productive meeting, with a number of streams of work resulting which will benefit the regional councils in the lower South Island.

C. Ingle reported that the Annual Plan submissions close on the 22nd of May and the hearing of submissions will be held on the 28th of May.

C. Ingle reported that Regional Software Holdings Ltd (RSHL) is the name of the Council Controlled Organisation that developed the IRIS software which is how council's RMA consents and compliance processes will be run has now been rolled out at Northland and Waikato regional councils. C. Ingle reported that we are part of six regional councils who have developed this software over the past few years. C. Ingle advised that is a Director on the Board of RSHL. He advised that RSHL's mission statement is "to provide long term shared software resources that are relevant to regional council activities and are fit for purpose, reliable, robust, resilient and cost effective". C. Ingle reported that so far the software seems to work well.

C. Ingle advised that he has attached the Funding Assistance Rate Review submission to his report. He advised that this submission needed to be in by the 3rd of May and he would like this submission to be ratified by council. Cr Archer asked C. Ingle if council is required to provide any additional reporting in view of council's involvement with RSHL. C. Ingle advised that this matter was identified in Council's Long Term Plan and the Statement of Intent is available to our auditors.

Moved (Robb / Archer)

1. That this report be received.

2. That the Funding Assistance Rate Review submission be approved.

Carried

6.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT (VERBAL)

Cr Scarlett reported that he took a break for three weeks and only dealt with minor constituent matters during the month.

Moved (Scarlett / Archer) *that this report be received.*

Carried

7.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

C. Ingle asked Councillors if they were able to stay on for a short workshop after today's meeting to discuss matters relating to beach erosion at Hokitika. All Councillors agreed to this.

The meeting closed at 12.14 p.m.

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Chairman

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Date