

## **THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 10 JULY 2018, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 12.15 P.M.**

#### **PRESENT:**

A. Robb (Chairman), N. Clementson, T. Archer, P. Ewen, P. McDonnell, A. Birchfield,  
S. Challenger

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

M. Meehan (Chief Executive Officer) R. Beal (Operations Manager), H. McKay (Consents &  
Compliance Manager), H. Mills (Planning Science and Innovation Manager), T. Jellyman  
(Minutes Clerk), The Media.

#### **1. APOLOGY:**

There were no apologies.

#### **2. PUBLIC FORUM**

There was no public forum.

#### **3.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved** (Archer / Ewen) *that the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 12 June 2018, be confirmed as correct.*

*Carried*

#### **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

#### **3.1.2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING – 22 JUNE 2018**

**Moved** (Ewen / Archer) *that the minutes of the Special Council Meeting dated 22 June 2018, be confirmed as correct.*

*Carried*

#### **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

#### **REPORTS:**

#### **4.1 ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT**

R. Beal spoke to this report. He provided an update on the Buller River Flood Consultation project and advised that there is working group of council staff, including Civil Defence, Planning, Communications and Operations staff who are meeting fortnightly. R. Beal advised that action points from the working group include a concepts discussion and workshop paper to be presented to the Buller District Council. He stated that the scope of the work needs to

be set and will include identifying short, medium and long term options based on evacuation forecasting and protection.

**Moved** (Archer / Birchfield) *That the report is received.*

*Carried*

#### **4.2 CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT**

M. Meehan spoke to this report in R. Mallinson's absence. He stated that R. Mallinson would respond via email to any questions Councillors might have. Cr Archer asked about the figures in the emergency management section of the report as these seem to be significantly higher than budgeted. M. Meehan responded that this includes money received via the Growth Study for Franz Josef work. He stated that payments have been received from MBIE over the past couple of years. M. Meehan stated that there are also claims related to the two cyclones and these are a timing issue. It was agreed that R. Mallinson would provide further information to Councillors on this matter.

**Moved** (Archer / Clementson) *That the report be received.*

*Carried*

#### **5.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT**

The Chairman spoke to his report and stated that he and Cr Clementson visited the Taramakau Bridge site. The Chairman stated that this has been a very well run project which finished on time and within budget. He stated that the opening is scheduled for 22 July.

The Chairman advised that the main discussion at the recent Mayors and Chairs forum was on how information is relayed back to the Government on the direction with regard to no new mining on the West Coast and what this means for the West Coast.

The Chairman spoke of the recent meeting with personnel from CNTY. He stated that he and M. Meehan met with them to discuss resource consent requirements, he stated that no resource consent applications have been received as yet. M. Meehan provided additional information on circular economy and class 1 waste.

**Moved** (Robb / Clementson) *That this report is received.*

*Carried*

#### **6.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

M. Meehan spoke to his report. He stated that the Franz Josef Governance Group will be making an application to the Provincial Growth Fund and will work with their community to progress this.

M. Meehan advised that he and Cr Clementson met with Hon Shane Jones, Hon Winston Peters, Hon Damien O'Connor, West Coast Mayors, Development West Coast Chief Executive and Chairperson in Wellington recently. Regional economic development, and the potential ban on new mining land was discussed. He also met with Minister Sage.

M. Meehan advised that a decision from the Local Government Commission is expected within the next month or so.

M. Meehan spoke of the meeting he attended in relation to Civil Defence and the TAG review. He stated that the TAG review was as a result of information which came out of the Port Hills fire and recommendations from this are now being progressed.

M. Meehan reported that following on from his meeting with DoC to discuss a predator free project at Lake Brunner, a hui has since been held with F. Tumahai as it is hoped that a this project can be put forward as a Provincial Growth Fund application.

M. Meehan answered questions from Councillors.

**Moved** (Archer / Ewen) *that this report is received.*

*Carried*

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Remits for 2018 LGNZ Annual General Meeting**

The Chairman read out the 12 remits and asked Councillors for a steer on each of the remits. Cr Birchfield stated that he would be saying no to the whole lot as LGNZ is interfering in things it shouldn't be doing, and in particular the climate Change remit. M. Meehan explained how the annual general meeting is run. The Chairman explained the remit process along with the voting system used. The Chairman asked each Councillor for their opinion on each remit.

**Kiwi Quarry**

Cr Archer raised the matter of Kiwi Quarry. He spoke of the Terrafirma report and asked if the right decision has been made with this quarry in view of there being risk to road and rail users. Cr Ewen noted that the resource consent for land use has now expired. M. Meehan advised that consultation on quarries will be carried out via the LTP. M. Meehan advised that Council is not currently doing any blasting in this quarry and does not need the land use consent. R. Beal advised that there are some existing resource consents that are no longer required due to the changes to the regional plan. He stated that a resource consent was surrendered in December as it was no longer required. R. Beal answered questions from Councillors.

The meeting closed at 1.04 pm.

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Chairman

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Date