

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE GREYMOUTH JOINT FLOODWALL COMMITTEE
HELD ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2010, AT THE OFFICES OF
THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH,
COMMENCING AT 3.00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

T. Kokshoorn (Chairman), P. Ewen, A. Robb, A. Birchfield

IN ATTENDANCE:

C. Ingle (WCRC Chief Executive), W. Moen (WCRC River Engineer), S. Moran (WCRC Planning and Environmental Manager) K. Perrin-Smith (GDC Engineering Officer), M. Sutherland (GDC Assets Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk).

APOLOGIES:

P. Pretorius, K. Beams, P. Berry, D. Truman

P. Ewen / A. Robb - Carried

BUSINESS

T. Kokshoorn welcomed all present to this meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: *That the minutes of the Joint Floodwall Committee meeting held 13 October 2009, as circulated, be confirmed as correct*

A. Robb / A. Birchfield - Carried

MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

PUBLIC FORUM TIME – SPEAKING RIGHTS

There was no request for public speaking rights.

FINANCIAL REPORT

W. Moen presented the financial statement for the financial period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010 noting that the closing balance as at the 30th of June is just over \$109,000. W. Moen confirmed that this is the balance after all the accounts for the upgrade of the floodwall have been paid. S. Moran stated that there is one further account yet to be received from the engineers once they do their final wrap up at the end of the maintenance period. S. Moran confirmed that the final cost of the upgrade was approximately \$3.3M.

Moved: *"That the financial report for the 2009/ 2010 financial year be adopted."*

A. Robb / P. Ewen - Carried

WORKS REPORT

W. Moen presented the 2009 / 2010 works report. He reported that \$2,965,414.35 was spent in total for works during the 2009 / 2010 year. W. Moen reported that projected works for the period 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 are \$26,000.00.

Cr Birchfield stated that he is concerned about the area by the railway crossing by Mitre 10 where the abutment has been lifted up but the wall hasn't. He stated that the same thing has been done by Fat Max's Gym. W. Moen stated that this part was left at a 50 year flood level and later on this area will be raised. Discussion took place on the upgrade of the floodwall. T. Kokshoorn stated that the floodwall looks great and a good job has been done.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. *That the Works Report covering the 2009 / 2010 financial year be adopted.***
- 2. *That the 2010 / 2011 works proposals be approved.***

A. Robb / P. Ewen – Carried

2011 / 2012 RATE STRIKE

W. Moen reported that the recommended rate strike is \$35,000. S. Moran advised that in view of there being \$26,000 worth of projected works for the coming year he feels that it might be worth increasing the rate strike to \$50,000. He stated that there are a few areas where some more rock work might be required therefore it would be prudent to increase the rate strike to \$50,000.

Moved: *That the recommended rate strike for the 2011 / 2012 financial year be \$50,000 (G.S.T. Excl).*

T. Kokshoorn / P. Ewen - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

S. Moran spoke of the meeting at the floodwall when the photograph was taken for the media where the matter of reinstating the seating on the floodwall along Mawhera Quay was discussed. S. Moran advised that the West Coast Regional Council would rather not have the seats put back as they impact on access to the floodwall for maintenance. S. Moran advised that the wall itself provides seating, as it is 700mm high all the way along this area. He advised that it is a condition of the consent that the seats are reinstated within a year but he feels there is little point doing this. It was noted that the seats need maintenance if there are to be reinstated. M. Sutherland stated that the seats were in place prior to the upgrade and confirmation was given that they would be reinstated. C. Ingle stated that he is happy to do this but is mindful of criticism if they are put back. Discussion took place on seating on the floodwall and access to this area to carry out maintenance. Cr Birchfield stated that he feels the top of the floodwall should be left clear. M. Sutherland stated that the seats could be reinstated on the lower level of the floodwall facing out towards town. It was agreed that the seats would be spruced up and reinstated on the second tier of the floodwall.

Cr Ewen stated that the road area near the Blaketown Rugby Clubrooms has narrowed and was a two-way carriage way but it is narrower. It was agreed that a sign at each end of this area would be put in place.

Cr Birchfield stated that rock that was carted from the Kiwi Point quarry cost \$100,000 more than what rock from Ian Cummings quarry would have cost. He feels Mr Cummings rock should have been used.

W. Moen advised that vehicle access to the floodwall needs to be discussed as four wheel drive vehicles are not wanted on this area. S. Moran advised that motorbikes along the top of the floodwall are causing problems. It was agreed that three or four gates would be placed in strategic places so that there is no thoroughfare along the floodwall. S. Moran advised that gates would cost between \$12,000 to \$16,000 in total. Cr Robb stated that placing gates in this area would save money in the long run.

M. Sutherland raised the matter of the Cycleway using the floodwall. He feels that access for cycles needs to be considered when the gates are installed. S. Moran advised that there will be enough room for cyclists to get around the gates. It was agreed that S. Moran and M. Sutherland would liaise together on this matter.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.32 pm.

Action Point:

- Sort out what is to happen regarding the gates on the floodwall.

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Chairman

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Date