

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KANIERE RATING DISTRICT HELD AT THE St JOHNS ROOMS, STAFFORD STREET, HOKITIKA ON 17 OCTOBER 2011, COMMENCING AT 6.33 PM.

PRESENT

E. Temple, K. Griffiths, M. Orchard, M. Ward, J. Jones, G. Provis, G. Linklater, H. Collett, A. Pragnall, D. Cartwright, B. Wilson

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council
D. Davidson, (Councillor)
B. Chinn, (Councillor)
W. Moen, C. Ingle, T. Jellyman, (Staff)

APOLOGIES

S. Pugh

A. Pragnall / H. Collett - Carried

BUSINESS

Cr Davidson 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 20 September 2010, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."*

G. Provis / G. Linklater - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

FINANCIAL REPORT

W. Moen spoke to the financial statements for the financial period ending 30 June 2011. He advised that at the start of the reporting period there was \$51,620.31 in the account and the closing balance as at 30 June this year is \$56,769.89 which includes the \$4,000 rate strike.

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

H. Collett / M. Orchard - Carried

WORKS REPORT

W. Moen spoke to the works report, which covered the 12-month period; 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011. He advised that no works were carried out during the reporting period.

W. Moen carried out an inspection on the 1st of July 2011 and it was noted that increased erosion has taken place upstream of the existing works but at this stage no remedial works are required. W. Moen advised that he is keeping an eye on this area and eventually an extra deflector groyne and associated rock work will be required, in the next two to five years. W. Moen advised that these works could cost up to \$100,000. He advised that the suggested timeframe might vary should there be an emergency situation. W. Moen suggests that \$3,000 is allowed to unforeseen maintenance. G. Provis asked how much is required for one groyne.

W. Moen advised that this would cost between \$50,000 to \$60,000. G. Provis stated that there is almost enough money in the account for this work. W. Moen stated that costs couldn't be confirmed until the job is tendered out to contractors. W. Moen explained how this work would be done. He stated that he would be reluctant to do works further out than the legal boundary.

G. Linklater tabled a letter that he wishes to discuss. It was decided to ask W. Moen to give a history of the rating district prior to the letter being discussed. W. Moen advised that the rating district was formed in the early nineties following a major flood event. The area immediately above Kaniere Bridge on the north side of the river was badly affected and some houses in this area were flooded. W. Moen advised there was a collective approach from residents to the regional council requesting that something be done in this area. W. Moen stated that Westland District Council and NZTA were contacted to assist with this. A three groyne design was done and a rating district was set up to cover the costs of these works and the works were paid for over a period of approximately five years. W. Moen stated that once the works were constructed there was no further work required but there will be new capital work required soon. W. Moen stated that his advice to all rating districts is to maintain the existing works that are in place and to build up a nest egg in their rating district account in case of a major event that causes significant damage to the works.

W. Moen advised that the rating district covers the area from the Kaniere Bridge up to close to the turn off to Kowhitirangi. A speaker asked if the rating district covered the Kaniere Tram area. W. Moen confirmed that it didn't and therefore those present who are not in the rating district left the meeting.

W. Moen advised that meeting that it is important that they plan financially for these works, as sooner or later they will need to be done. He advised the meeting that \$3000 is allowed for unforeseen maintenance. C. Ingle agreed with W. Moen and advised that it is important to consider these potential future capital works.

M. Orchard read out G. Linklater's letter to the meeting. Mr Linklater wants the works that were suggested at last year's meeting completed, as he is concerned about the amount of erosion in this area. Mr Linklater would like costings done for the groyne and the riprap.

W. Moen advised that when the rating district was first established the option for a flood protection and erosion scheme was offered but the rating district turned down the flood protection idea so therefore it is now only an erosion protection scheme. W. Moen advised that it would take about eight hours of his time to undertake a site visit and to prepare a plan. W. Moen advised that there is nothing to stop the rating district from putting in 100 metres or rock rip rap each year and work away at this. Cr Davidson advised it is up to the meeting to work out what they want to do. Discussion took place. It was agreed that W. Moen would prepare a plan and costings and put these options to the rating district.

Moved: *"That the West Coast Regional Council prepare a proposal including the options and cost of each option for increased erosion protection in the Kaniere Rating District, from the end of the current works to the beginning of Nelson Cook's property (Cooks Hill)".*

G. Linklater / M. Orchard – Carried

W. Moen explained the \$3000 in the works report is an allowance for unforeseen expense that could occur over the next year. This money is in the current account and is not an extra expense to the rating district.

RECOMMENDATION

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

H. Collett / G. Provis – Carried

RATES 2012 / 2013

W. Moen advised that with the proposed works and the rate of \$4000 previously struck for this current year the balance in the rating district account at the beginning of the next financial year is likely to be \$59,000. W. Moen advised that he feels in view of the potential works he feels the rate strike should be increased from \$4000 last year to \$6000 for the coming year.

G. Provis moved that the rate strike remain at \$4000 this was seconded by M. Ward.

G. Linklater moved an amendment that the rate strike is \$6000; M. Orchard seconded this. Cr Davidson asked for a show of hands, the vote was 2/4 and the amendment was lost.

RECOMMENDATION

"That the rate strike for 2012 / 2013 is \$4,000 in view of the potential upstream works (GST Excl)."

G. Provis / M. Ward - Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The names of the current committee and spokesperson were read out. Cr Davidson asked if all were still available and this was confirmed. It was agreed that the status quo would remain.

Moved: "That G. Linklater be elected as the spokesperson and M. Orchard be the deputy spokesperson for the 2011 / 2012 financial year."

H. Collett / G. Provis - Carried

Moved: "That all members present be on the Committee, the current Committee now consists of J. Collett, G. Linklater, G. Provis, J. Jones, M. Ward and M. Orchard."

H. Collett / G. Provis - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

C. Ingle asked if the work that W. Moen is preparing is supposed to be coming back to a full meeting or just to the committee. It was agreed that this information would be sent to the spokesperson of the committee.

Cr Davidson thanked the meeting for their attendance.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.15 pm.

Action Points

- W. Moen to prepare options and report back to rating district to discuss where to from here with regard to the increased erosion upstream of the existing works.
- W. Moen to send a copy of original rating classifications and map of the rating district to M. Orchard.