

## THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE KOWHITIRANGI RATING DISTRICT HELD AT THE KOWHITIRANGI HALL, KOWHITIRANGI ON MONDAY, 28 APRIL 2003 COMMENCING AT 11.12 P.M.

#### PRESENT

S. Keenan, J. Mitchell, P. Cook, D. Amberger, S. Anderson, W. Von Ah,  
G. Monk, C. Harris, G. Lange, T. Burden, P. Morrison, D. Harcourt,  
W. Diedrich, J. Paterson.

#### IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council  
J. Wood, D. Davidson (Councilors)  
W. Moen (Staff)

#### APOLOGIES

R. Lowe, D. Horn, J. Clayton, M. Paterson, D. Burden, R. Cagney, K. Nolan, T. Taft, A.  
Cook, R. Oats, P. Anderson, B. Godfrey

#### BUSINESS

J. Wood opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

#### PREVIOUS MINUTES

**Moved:** *“That the minutes of the previous Annual General meeting held on  
12 April 2002, be adopted as a true and accurate record of that  
meeting.”*

*J. Paterson / C. Harris – Carried*

#### MATTERS ARISING

W. Moen explained that the new rating district classification had been adopted and was in place.

No appeals had been received.

He also outlined the existing legal access to the stopbank utilizing a map of the area.

S. Keenan asked for information on the Camelback Quarry.

J. Wood spoke and explained that the Council was now operating the quarries on a “break even” basis.

S. Keenan asked if the Camelback Quarry was “subsidizing” other quarries.

W. Moen outlined the regional approach towards a rationalized rock fee, which in effect was a semi-subsidized situation.

S. Keenan felt that more rock should be utilized by the Koiterangi Lime Company and that if any changes in the Council’s quarry operations took place, the local community should be advised immediately.

D. Davidson said that the Council’s quarry operations were working very well under the new arrangement, however if Council was to change its policy the community would be given the opportunity to partake in the discussions on the future involvement of the rock supply in the area.

W. Moen felt that there had been a huge vote of confidence in the latest quarry operation as all feedback from clients had been most positive.

## **FINANCIAL MINUTES**

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the 2002 financial period from 1 July 2002 to 31 December 2002.

**Moved:**            ***“That the Financial Report for the 2002 financial period ending 31 December 2002 be adopted.”***

*S. Keenan / C. Harris – Carried*

## **MATTERS ARISING**

J. Wood outlined the Council’s new stance on the LAPP Fund premium payment, pointing out that Council views the insurance of assets as a regional benefit and as a result the Council would now be funding the rating District’s share of the premium from the general rates.

S. Keenan again expressed the obscure nature of the payout policy.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Moved:**            ***“That S. Keenan be re-elected as Chairperson for the 2003 / 2004 financial year.”***

*G. Monk / T. Burden – Carried*

D. Amberger explained that he wished to stand down and that M. Paterson would be unavailable for re-election as he had moved away from the district.

**Moved:**            ***“That the following ratepayers be elected for the 2003 / 2004 financial year:***

***J. Paterson  
P. Cook  
C. Harris  
S. Keenan  
R. Cagney***

*G. Monk / T. Burden – Carried*

## **RATES 2003 / 2004**

C. Harris presented a verbal report on the state of works and reported that most of the works were in good state.

He reported that the works carried out by Colin Thompson Contracting were to a very high standard.

D. Amberger suggested that an inspection of the tail of the Hook groyne could reveal some gaps, which may require filling.

W. Moen agreed to look into the situation shortly

**Moved:**            ***“That the rates strike for the 2003 / 2004 financial year be set at \$10,000 + GST.”***

*S. Keenan / J. Paterson – Unanimous*

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 12.05 p.m.

W. Moen  
Senior Engineering Officer

