

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE**  
**NELSON CREEK RATING DISTRICT**  
**HELD AT THE NGAHERE FIRE STATION**  
**ON 10 OCTOBER 2011, COMMENCING AT 5.12 PM**

**PRESENT**

G. Hill, T. Hill, T. Kendrick, B. Jones

**IN ATTENDANCE**

West Coast Regional Council  
A. Birchfield, I. Cummings, (Councillors)  
M. Meehan, W. Moen, T. Jellyman (Staff)

**APOLOGIES**

Cr Robb

*G. Hill / T. Hill - Carried*

**BUSINESS**

Cr Birchfield 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 13 September 2010, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

*G. Hill / T. Kendrick - Carried*

**MATTERS ARISING**

G. Hill stated that it took too long to get rock in place after the January flood. He stated that this should have happened quicker. W. Moen stated that he was very busy during this time as there was over \$1M worth of works over the entire West Coast following this flood. M. Meehan advised that W. Moen is the only River Engineer on the Coast and he was stretched during this time. Cr Birchfield advised that there was also a shortage of rock in quarries during this time.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the financial period ending 30 June 2011. It was noted that the balance at the beginning of the financial year was \$113,374.96 and currently the credit balance is \$104,276.50. W. Moen noted that the rating district spent more than it got in during the reporting period. He stated that almost \$18,000 came into account in rates and \$42,000 was spent on works. W. Moen advised that these figures need to be kept in mind when it comes to setting the rate. He stated that the \$15,000 contribution from OnTrack and NZTA is a bonus.

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

*T. Hill / G. Hill - Carried*

**MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

## **WORKS REPORT**

W. Moen presented the detailed works report, which covered the 12-month period; 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 noting that \$42,676.27 worth of works for this financial year has been completed.

W. Moen advised that he carried out an inspection on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2011 and as a result of this inspection the proposed works for 2011 / 2012 come to \$22,600 with OnTrack and NZTA paying a share of this. W. Moen reported that he had a good look at the work needed on the left bank at Kendrick's property. He stated Mr Kendrick has felt that his property could be in danger. W. Moen explained the work involved includes top up rock riprap over 40 metres, allow 400 tonnes at \$25.00 / tonne which equates to \$ 8,000, construct "cut-off" bank over 40 metres which will cost \$4,000, open downstream blockage which would entail four hours excavator hire @ \$150.00 / hour which equates to \$600, with the total cost of these works being \$12,600. W. Moen advised that the cost of this work is included in the figure of \$22,600 for proposed works. W. Moen advised that NZTA would pay \$4,410 as part of their contribution to this work. He stated that if the rating district wishes to go ahead with this work he would get it out for tender. T. Kendrick confirmed that he is happy for this work to go ahead.

W. Moen advised that he recommends that \$10,000 be allowed for unforeseen maintenance.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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

*G. Hill / B. Jones – Carried*

## **RATES 2012 / 2013**

W. Moen advised that the recommended rate strike for 2012 / 2013 financial year is \$17,500. (GST Excl).

## **RECOMMENDATION**

***"That the rate strike for the 2012 / 2013 financial Year is \$17,500 (GST Excl)."***

*T. Kendrick / G. Hill – Carried*

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

It was agreed that the status quo would remain again for this year.

**Moved:** ***"That G. Hill be re-elected as the spokesperson for the 2011 / 2012 financial year."***

*T. Kendrick / B. Jones - Carried*

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

T. Kendrick stated that someone is constructing a floodwall further up Nelson Creek. It was noted that this is a gold mining operation. M. Meehan stated he is not sure who is doing this work but they would be operating under a resource consent. M. Meehan asked the meeting if this work is causing concern. The Hill Brothers confirmed that there are no problems in this area with these works. Cr Birchfield commented that it looks as though this area is now being tidied up a little bit.

W. Moen advised that the report on the design analysis work which was agreed to at last year's meeting is now to hand. W. Moen advised that he did not bring the report with him but he advised that the problem areas highlighted are immediately above both bridges (both the rail bridge and road bridge) as these bridges are causing constriction and ponding behind the bridges and this is where the elevated levels are.

W. Moen stated that he would give a copy of the report to G. Hill for him to pass on to the committee members to discuss where to from here.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.30 pm.

### **Action Point**

- W. Moen to provide a copy of the design analysis report to G. Hill.
- W. Moen to circulate engineering report.