

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
VINE CREEK RATING DISTRICT
HELD AT THE KOWHITIRANGI HALL
ON THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER 2006, COMMENCING AT 11.15AM.

PRESENT

T. Burden, B. Godfrey, N. Monk, A. Godfrey, J. Michell, P. Cook, W. Diedrichs, R. Oats.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

APOLOGIES

G. Monk, J. Clayton (West Coast Regional Council)

N. Monk / A. Godfrey - Carried

BUSINESS

D. Davidson opened the meeting and welcomed those present.
He introduced himself and the Council staff.

Moved: *“That the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on
Wednesday 2 November 2005, be adopted as a true and correct
record of that meeting.”*

T. Burden / B. Godfrey - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

W. Moen reported that an assessment of cross section requirements was needed.
No work had been done yet and there were no cross sections in place at present.
Spraying was also to be completed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the financial period ending 30 June 2006.
This left the account with a current credit balance of approximately \$43,488.78.

Moved: *“That the financial report for the 2005 / 2006 year be adopted”.*

N. Monk / J. Michell - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

WORKS REPORT

W. Moen presented the works report, which covered the 12-month period; 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006.

He reported that no work was carried out but an inspection took place.

W. Moen noted that the culvert requires work, general discussion took place regarding this matter, and speakers included N. Monk, J. Michell and T. Burdon.

W. Moen to provide a costing and alternatives regarding this matter and report back to the committee with the cost options.

W. Moen also stated that the creek needed to be cleaned out on a regular basis.

He outlined that no works had been carried out during the period and outlined a proposed allowance of \$88,780.00 for maintenance expenditure for the following 2006 / 2007 year.

Moved: *“That the Works Report covering the 2005 / 2006 financial year be adopted and the 2006 / 2007 works proposals be approved.”*
N. Monk / P. Cook - Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moved: *“That the present committee, namely:
J. Michell
G. Monk
B. Godfrey
T. Burden
N. Monk
be retained as the committee for the 2006 / 2007 financial year.”*
A. Godfrey / P. Cook - Carried

Moved: *“That J. Michell be re-elected as the spokesperson for the 2006 / 2007 financial year.”*
A. Godfrey / P. Cook - Carried

RATES 2007 / 2008

General discussion ensued on future rate strikes. It was generally accepted that the creek had to be cleaned out on a regular cycle.

Moved: *“That the suggested rate strike recommendation to Council for the 2007 / 2008 financial Year be \$45,000 + G.S.T.”*
N. Monk / A. Godfrey - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

The Adverse Event Recovery Framework issue was explained by D. Davidson. The Rating District was encouraged to lodge submissions with the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries with the object being to achieve a national protocol. W. Moen was asked to check the area covered by the current resource consent to see if it covered the upper area in order to maintain the creek and to also cover channel work. A recent spill in the creek was discussed with N. Monk. W. Moen was asked to follow this up. It was agreed that the rating district should clear as much gravel as possible from the creek themselves. It was suggested some marks be put on bridge abutments to monitor gravel buildup. W. Diedrichs requested that the gorse be sprayed and stated that from a tourist point-of-view, the main bridge upstream looked untidy. It was reported that manure and sawdust were being dumped in the creek bed. W. Moen stated that cattle should not be on the stopbank at all. W. Diedrichs requested that this area should be tidied up. W. Moen is to follow this up with the Council’s Compliance Section. C. Ingle advised that the Compliance Team were stepping up their inspections this year and farmers can expect to see more of them.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.00 pm.

**Wayne Moen
River Engineer
26 November 2006**