

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
WAITANGITAONA RATING DISTRICT
HELD AT THE WHATAROA COMMUNITY HALL
ON 13 OCTOBER 2011, COMMENCING AT 1.45 PM

PRESENT

W. Nolan, G. Purcell, M. Dennehy, A. Lash, D. Bowater, M. Potae, P. Northcroft,

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council
B. Chinn, (Councillor), D. Davidson (Councillor)
M. Meehan, W. Moen, T. Jellyman, P. Birchfield (Staff)

APOLOGIES

A. Van der Poel, G. Julian, D. Straight

D. Bowater / A. Lash - 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 16 September 2010, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

W. Nolan / A. Lash - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

FINANCIAL REPORT

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the period ending 30 June 2011. He advised the opening balance was \$125,151.44 and as at the end of June this year the closing balance was \$149,930.16.

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

P. Northcroft / W. Nolan - 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. W. Moen reported that \$24,422.25 worth of works was carried out during the reporting period. W. Moen carried out an inspection on the 29th of June 2011 in the company of W. Nolan and P. Northcroft. W. Moen advised that \$64,200 worth of works were identified. He advised this work includes a 100 metre extension to the lower retard. W. Moen advised that a resource consent is in place for a 200-metre extension and this work can now go ahead.

W. Moen advised that it would be prudent to allow \$12,000 for unforeseen work.

W. Nolan stated that he has been keeping an eye on the lower bank over the past year and he feels that the 100 metre extension should be done this year to stop the river from turning. Discussion took place on the cross sections; W. Moen advised that these are done every three years. He advised that the river is trending well.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Works Report covering the 2010 / 2011 financial year be adopted.

2. That the 2011 / 2012 works proposals be approved.

W. Nolan / P. Northcroft - Carried

RATES 2012 / 2013

W. Moen advised that he recommends a rate strike of \$30,000 in view of the fact that \$52,000 worth of works is required and the further \$12,000 for unforeseen maintenance. He advised that the balance in the rating district account at the beginning of the 2012 / 2013 year is likely to be \$123,000 (GST excl).

W. Nolan stated that he is happy with the works that have been done but said that this has depleted the account. P. Northcroft agreed that he would like to keep building up the account as the last retard may need extending.

RECOMMENDATION

"That the rate strike for the 2012 / 2013 financial Year is \$30,000 (GST Excl)."

P. Northcroft / M. Dennehy - Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

T. Jellyman read out the names of the current committee. Cr Davidson asked if there were any further nominations. A. Lash was nominated by G. Purcell and seconded by M. Potae.

Moved:

"That

A. Lash

P. Northcroft

W. Nolan

G. Purcell

D. Bowater

D. Straight

be the committee for the 2011 / 2012 financial year."

D. Bowater / M. Potae - Carried

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

D. Bowater / M. Potae - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Lash stated that he was unaware that it was not mandatory to fence off waterways on the West Coast. D. Bowater stated that resource consents state that a three metre riparian margin is required. Discussion took place on riparian margins and planting. M. Meehan advised that this matter is outside of the rating district meeting but he is aware of a complaint and the Compliance Dept is dealing with this. M. Meehan stated that fencing is not compulsory unless you have a consent that requires it. There are rules relating to the grazing of riparian margins that require the grazing does not cause or induce conspicuous slumping, pugging or erosion.

W. Nolan stated that there is concern that DoC has built a fence across the riverbed in the Waitangitona River. W. Nolan stated that they are planting trees in this area. It was agreed that W. Nolan would talk to DoC regarding this matter.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.05 p.m.

Action Points:

- W. Moen to send a copy of cross section report to the rating district Spokesman.