

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 12 NOVEMBER 2018, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 11.27 A.M.

PRESENT:

A. Robb (Chairman), N. Clementson, T. Archer, P. Ewen, P. McDonnell, A. Birchfield, S. Challenger

IN ATTENDANCE:

R. Beal (Acting Chief Executive), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), H. McKay (Consents & Compliance Manager), H. Mills (Planning Science and Innovation Manager), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk).

1. APOLOGY

There were no apologies.

Carried

2. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

3.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved (Challenger / Ewen) *that the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 9 October 2018, be confirmed as correct.*

Carried

Matters arising

The Chairman advised that he would provide further information on matters relating to Tourism West Coast and Development West Coast.

REPORTS:

4.1 ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT

R. Beal spoke to this report and took it as read. He stated that the annual round of rating district meetings has finished, good feedback was received from ratepayers.

R. Beal advised that following tomorrow evening's meeting with the Franz Josef ratings district and NZTA and DoC, it is his intention to arrange a further meeting with all councillors, and the community prior to Christmas. He is hopeful that this meeting will progress to the one holistic rating district for Franz Josef. R. Beal advised that the majority of rating districts are in support of an application to the Shane Jones billion trees project.

R. Beal advised that the tender documents for Blackball and Kiwi quarries will be released this week. Cr McDonnell asked R. Mallinson if assets in rating districts are insured. R. Mallinson advised that the Aon Lloyds cover has a \$250,000 excess. He offered to circulate the insurance policy document to Councillors.

Moved (Clementson / Archer) *that the report is received.*

Carried

4.1.2 WESTPORT 2100

N. Costley spoke to this report and took it as read. She advised that this report ties in with the report in the RMC section of today's meeting. N. Costley stated that Buller District Council met on 31 October and appointed Crs Sharon Roche and Shayne Barry to the Westport 2100 Working Group. Minor changes to the Terms of Reference were made at this meeting. N. Costley tabled an updated Terms of Reference to Councillors. She advised that meetings will be held in Westport, meeting times will be set by the Working Group, and applications are to be advertised at the end of this week, these will close at the end of the first week of December. N. Costley answered questions from Councillors.

Moved (Robb / Clementson)

That the West Coast Regional Council appoints Crs Archer and Clementson to the Westport 2100 Working Group.

Carried

Moved (Clementson / Archer)

1. *That the West Coast Regional Council receive this report;*
2. *That the West Coast Regional Council adopt the draft Terms of Reference for the Westport 2100 Working Group;*
3. *That the west Coast Regional Council advertise for applications to the Westport 2100 Working Group; and*

Carried

4.1.3 VARIATION 4 TO THE WEST COAST REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PLAN 2015 – 21

N. Costley spoke to this report and took it as read. N. Costley advised that the intent is for this project to go into the National Land Transport Programme and it is likely it will be funded from the Provincial Growth Fund. Cr Birchfield expressed concern that this project might impact on road funding. Discussion took place on the cost of underpasses in general and funding.

Moved (Archer / Challenger)

That Council

1. *Approves the variation to the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 – 21 for the inclusion of the Iconic Underpass and Pedestrian/Cycleway facilities to the New Zealand Transport Agency Programme; and*
2. *Submits the variation to the West Coast Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 – 21 to the New Zealand Transport Agency.*

Cr Birchfield against

Carried

4.2 CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER’S MONTHLY REPORT

R. Mallinson spoke to this report and stated that this is the quarterly financial report to 30 September. R. Mallinson advised that the surplus is \$565,000 compared to a budgeted deficit for the same period of just under \$138,000, this relates to the budgeted expenditure for the Greymouth Floodwall fix which has been put on hold.

R. Mallinson advised that he will be meeting with JBWere representatives later today to discuss the performance of the investment portfolio.

R. Mallinson advised Councillors that he is mindful that Audit NZ’s technical review staff are taking a long time to consider matters relating to quarry end of life restorations liabilities. R. Mallinson stated that the internal Council costings have been peer reviewed.

He is mindful that Council is now over the statutory deadline.

R. Mallinson answered questions related to the audit process and budgeting.

Moved (Archer / Ewen) *that the report be received.*

Carried

5.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman spoke to his report and took it as read.

Moved (Robb / Archer) *that this report is received.*

Carried

6.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S REPORT

The Chairman took this report as read in M. Meehan’s absence.

Moved (Ewen / Birchfield) *that this report is received.*

Carried

Cr Clementson advised that he has received confirmation from Buller District Council that the Chairperson does have a casting vote. He read clause 18.3 from Buller District Council’s Standing Orders.

It was agreed that the Westport 2100 Working Group would work under the West Coast Regional Council’s Standing Orders.

GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 11.58 a.m.

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Chairman

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Date