THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COAL CREEK RATING DISTRICT HELD AT THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL OFFICES ON MONDAY 16 OCTOBER 2006, COMMENCING AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT

B. Jones, F. Riordan, C. Greer, O. Norton

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council P. Ewen, (Councillor), D. Shannahan S. Moran, W. Moen (Staff)

APOLOGIES

J. Beynon, Fulton Hogan, J. Clayton, (West Coast Regional Council)

O. Norton / C. Greer - Carried

BUSINESS

P. Ewen 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 Monday 31st October 2005, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."

F. Riordan / C. Greer - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

W. Moen outlined the necessity to maintain healthy credit reserves in order to plan for major unforeseen damage repairs. P. Ewen sought advise on the integrity of the upstream rock works. W. Moen reported that all works were in a satisfactory condition.

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 \$111,045.48.

Moved: "That the financial report for the 2005 / 2006 year be adopted".

B. Jones / O. Norton - 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 2005 to 30 June 2006.

He reported that no works had been carried during this period and outlined a proposed allowance of \$20,000.00 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 and the associated works implemented if required".

O. Norton / F. Riordan - Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moved: "That the present committee, namely: O. Norton J. Beynon F. Riordan B. Jones be retained as the committee for the 2006 / 2007 financial year." B. Jones / O. Norton - Carried

Moved: "That B. Jones be re-elected as the spokesperson for the 2006 / 2007 financial year."

F. Riordan / O. Norton - Carried

RATES 2007 / 2008

General discussion ensued on future rate strikes.

Speakers included: B. Jones, O. Norton and F. Riordan.

F. Riordan requested clarification on W. Moen's comments on new ratepayers in the area. W. Moen explained that many new landowners in the area were not appreciative of the flooding potential in the area and therefore were not prepared for more realistic rate levels.

D. Shannahan commented that all new landowners should seek a LIM Report on their properties when purchasing. This would indicate any flooding potential.

Moved: "That the suggested rate strike recommendation to Council for the 2007 / 2008 financial Year be \$5,000 + G.S.T."

B. Jones / O. Norton - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

B. Jones reported on recent flood events and the heavy flows against the stopbank. He pointed out that the stopbank had at least one metre freeboard at the top rocked section.

It was generally felt that the upper level of the bank needed to be rocked. W. Moen said that an inspection with B. Jones would be instigated in the near future.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.

Wayne Moen River Engineer 22 November 2006