

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KANIERE RATING DISTRICT HELD AT THE WESTLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL ROOMS ON 20 OCTOBER 2008, COMMENCING AT 6.38 PM.

PRESENT

J. Collett, M. Orchard, G. Provis, G. Linklater

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council

D. Davidson, (Councillor)

C. Ingle, T. Jellyman, W. Moen (Staff)

APOLOGIES

Cr B. Chinn, Peter and Judith McLaughlin

M. Orchard / J. Collett - 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 26 September 2007, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."*

G. Provis / G. Linklater - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

W. Moen reported that he did not receive any feedback from the rating district regarding the letter he sent out outlining the costs per ratepayer if there were a major event requiring \$1M, \$2M or \$3M worth of works.

G. Provis asked at what stage does insurance kick in should there be a major event. C. Ingle explained the function of the LAPP Fund to the meeting and that this is at civil defence level when homes are flooded and towns are affected.

W. Moen stated that access to the groynes should there be an emergency is still of concern.

M. Orchard advised that he is yet to sign the access agreement as he has concerns as to how his trees would be affected.

M. Orchard stated that a map of the area would be helpful.

FINANCIAL MINUTES

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the financial period ending 30 June 2008. This left the account with a current credit balance of approximately \$42,490.65.

Moved: *"That the financial report for the 2007 / 2008 year be adopted".*

M. Orchard / G. Provis - 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 2007 to 30 June 2008. An inspection was carried out on the 26th of August 2008 and no works were identified. W. Moen noted during this inspection that increased erosion has taken place

upstream of the existing works, however at this stage no remedial works are required but this may change in the foreseeable future. Therefore it may be prudent to allow \$3,000 for future maintenance.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Works Report covering the 2007 / 2008 financial year be adopted.**
- 2. That the 2008 / 2009 works proposals be approved.**

J. Collett / G. Linklater – Carried

RATES 2009 / 2010

General discussion ensued on future rate strikes. W. Moen suggested that due to the erosion at the north end it would be prudent to raise the rate strike by a further \$3,000 to make a total of \$5,000 for the coming year. Further discussion ensued regarding the extent of erosion in the north area with various options of funding explored including Mawhera Corporation and Westland District Council.

J. Collett stated contractors digging out gravel in this area are causing damage.

C. Ingle clarified there is no damage to the scheme. Mr Collett confirmed this and said holes left in the riverbed are causing safety concerns regarding children that use this area.

It was agreed that Mr A. Cameron's permit and consent be checked to ensure the areas he is working are correct.

RECOMMENDATION

"That the rate strike for the 2009 / 2010 financial Year is \$4,000 (GST Excl)."

*J. Collett / G. Provis
G. Linklater against
– Carried*

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moved: "That G. Linklater be elected as the spokesperson for the 2008 / 2009 financial year."

M. Orchard / G. Provis - Carried

Moved: "That the Committee consist of J. Collett, G. Linklater, G. Provis and M. Orchard."

M. Orchard / G. Provis - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

J. Collett stated that he would like an eye kept on contractors in the area. He asked whether contractors could be directed to remove gravel from the point on the south side upstream of the scheme.

C. Ingle advised that under the RMA we can only grant or decline a consent application. We cannot force them to take the gravel elsewhere in the river.

Action Point

- W. Moen to speak to Mr Cameron to see if he would agree to access gravel at the point instead.

It was agreed that next year's meeting would be held at the Kaniere Hotel.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.15 pm.