

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE**  
**KANIERE RATING DISTRICT**  
**HELD AT THE ALL SAINTS CHURCH HALL, BEALEY STREET, HOKITIKA**  
**ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2013, COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM.**

**PRESENT**

J. Jones, H, Collett, N. Allington

**IN ATTENDANCE**

West Coast Regional Council  
P. McDonnell, S. Challenger (Councillors)  
R. Beal, B. Russ, J. Ells, T. Jellyman, (Staff)

**APOLOGIES**

M. Brokenshire, P. & K. Burrows

*H. Collet / J. Jones - Carried*

**BUSINESS**

Cr McDonnell 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 2013, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

*H. Collett / J. Jones - Carried*

**MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

R. Beal spoke to the financial statements for the financial period ending 30 June 2018. He advised that at the opening balance in the maintenance account was 72,979.24 and the closing balance in the maintenance account was \$21,586.08.

The opening balance in the loan account was zero and the closing balance was \$1,073.46. The loan account represents the unused balance of the rate raised to repay the loan with. The loan account balance as of 30 June 2018 was \$85,643.

**WORKS REPORT**

B. Russ spoke to the works report, which covered the 12-month period; 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018. He advised there were no maintenance works carried out during the reporting period but \$137,112 worth of capital works were done during this period. B. Russ advised that \$26,915.50 worth of maintenance works have been done this financial year, since July 2018. B. Russ stated that there was some slumping that required work.

B. Russ carried out an inspection in September 2018 and no maintenance works were identified. He suggested that \$5,000 is allowed for unforeseen maintenance.

## **RATES 2019 / 2020**

B. Russ advised that the balance in the rating district account at the beginning of the 2019 / 2020 financial year is likely to be approximately \$5,000 in deficit. Cr McDonnell clarified financial figures relating to the loan.

Discussion took place on individual owners being able to pay off lump sums off their loan. Anyone wishing to do this was encouraged to contact R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager) for further information on this.

B. Russ explained the rate strike. He advised that \$4,000 for maintenance is not sufficient, he suggested increasing the rate strike.

B. Russ explained the prudent reserve which is in place for each rating district. He advised that the prudent reserve for this rating district is \$80,000 which is the ideal amount to be held in the rating district account.

Extensive discussion took place, and it was agreed that the rate strike would be \$17,000 for the 2019 / 2020 financial year.

## **Agreed Level of Service**

B. Russ advised that Audit NZ have requested that agreed level of service is discussed at each rating district meeting this year. He advised that the Kaniere rating district was put in place to manage erosion, not flooding.

## **Willow Tree Loss**

Cr McDonnell introduced J. Ellis to the meeting. J. Ellis advised that willow trees have been part of the NZ landscape for close to 180 years. J. Ellis spoke of the Large Willow Aphid which was found in NZ in 2013 and is now well established NZ wide, and has been seen on the riverbank here. J. Ellis stated that during autumn the trunk and limbs will turn black and there is clear dieback in the valley plains here.

J. Ellis advised that Hon Shane Jones, Regional Development Minister, has set up an initiative to plant one billion trees over the next 10 years. Government funding is available to communities via the Provincial Growth Fund. J. Ellis advised that the trees to be replanted are likely to be a combination of exotics and native trees. He advised if this work is started soon then what happened during the Edgecumbe flood could possibly be avoided here as damaged willows caused added damage during this flood event.

R. Beal stated that further information will be forthcoming via the Weedbusters newsletter and once the annual meetings have been held throughout the region, depending on interest, then a combined application will be made to this fund. N. Allington stated that this is a good initiative for the environment. J. Ellis explained the type of trees that could be planted.

**Moved:** *"That the Kaniere Rating District be included in the combined application to the Hon Shane Jones billion tree fund".*

*N. Allington / H. Collett – Carried*

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Cr McDonnell read out the names of the current committee who are J. Collett, G. Linklater, G. Provis, J. Jones, M. Ward and M. Orchard. Cr McDonnell asked if all were still available. It was noted that M. Orchard has moved out of the rating district. It was agreed that the current committee members would be J. Collett, G. Linklater, G. Provis, J. Jones, M. Ward and N. Allington.

**Moved:** *"That all members present be on the Committee, the current Committee now consists of J. Collett, G. Linklater, G. Provis, J. Jones, M. Ward and N. Allington."*

*Carried*

It was agreed that G. Linklater would continue as the Spokesperson and H. Collett and J. Jones would be joint deputy spokesmen.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

It was agreed that biannual meetings would be held with the next meeting scheduled for 2020.

Cr McDonnell thanked the meeting for their attendance.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6.38 pm.

## **Action Points**

There were no action points.

## **Council Infrastructure Insurance Details**

Information provided by R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager)

Council exited LAPP in 2011 following the Canterbury earthquakes, as it was going to be unaffordable to continue.

We then established a designated Catastrophe Fund, which has grown to \$1M.

As from 1/11/17 WCRC Infrastructure is covered under the AON Lloyds scheme. We are in a grouping of South Island Councils (Nelson, Tasman, Buller, Grey, Westland, WCRC, Queenstown Lakes, Environment Southland) with total programme cover of (now) \$300M.

WCRC carries cover of \$35M and the annual premium is paid for from interest earned on the \$1M Catastrophe Fund. The excess is \$250,000.

See details of actual cover below taken from the actual Policy wording: The infrastructure cover includes (quoting direct from Policy).

"Materials damage natural catastrophe insurance" including:

Earthquake, Natural landslip, Flood, Tsunami, Tornado, Windstorm, Volcanic eruption, Hydrothermal and geothermal activity, Subterranean Fire, And Business Interruption resulting from them.