

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
RAFT CREEK RATING DISTRICT
HELD AT THE KOWHITIRANGI HALL, KOWHITIRANGI
ON MONDAY , 28 APRIL 2003 COMMENCING AT 10.00 A.M.

PRESENT

S. Wright (Landcorp), P. Routhan, R. Alison

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council

J. Wood, D. Davidson (Councilors)
W. Moen (Staff)

APOLOGIES

R. Lowe, D.Horn

BUSINESS

J. Wood opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

Moved: ***“That the minutes of the previous Annual General meeting held on Friday, 12 April 2002, be adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.”***

J. Wood / S. Wright - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

W. Moen advised that the proposed reclassification had been completed and that a special meeting had been held on 18 April 2002 to adopt the rating district and set a rate of \$10,000 (G.S.T. Exclusive) for the 2002 / 2003 financial year. The classification was based on a land area basis and covered the maintenance of the main Raft Creek channel only.

D. Davidson asked if the classification covered Whites Creek.

W. Moen explained that the ratepayers had expressly voted not to include this creek in the scheme as it had in the past.

Discussion ensued as to who would be responsible for the clearance of willows and rubbish from the creek's outlet as this affected Raft Creek flows.

It was pointed out that this would have to be carried out on a co-operative basis between landowners and interested parties.

Moved: ***“That the willows blocking the outlet of Raft Creek be removed during the next spraying season.”***

R. Alison / S. Wright

D. Davidson asked if the current resource consent covered any works in Whites Creek.

W. Moen advised that he would investigate and report back to the Chairman.

Discussion also developed on DOC's responsibilities and the possibility of fencing creeks.

FINANCIAL MINUTES

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the 2002 financial year ending 31 December 2002.

Moved: ***“That the Financial Reports for the 2002 financial period ending 31 December 2002 be adopted.”***

R. Alison / S. Wright

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moved: ***“That Stephen Wright be appointed as the Chairperson / Spokesperson of the Raft Creek Rating District for the 2003 / 2004 financial year and that all ratepayers form the Committee.”***

R. Alison / P. Routhan

Moved: ***“That Russell Alison be appointed as the deputy Chairperson for the 2003 / 2004 financial year.”***

S. Wright / P. Routhan

RATES 2003 / 2004

Moved: ***That the rates strike for the 2003 / 2004 financial year be set at \$10,000 (G.S.T. Exclusive).***

R. Alison / S. Wright

GENERAL BUSINESS

W. Moen outlined the changes in the LAPP Fund and pointed out that the Council now met the full LAPP premium from the general rate pool as the insurance of all assets was a regional responsibility.

J. Wood felt that there should be no discrimination on the local ratepayers in a particular area.

P. Routhan felt that more work and investigation should be carried out to determine aquatic weed species and the possible spray remedies for creeks in the area.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 10.52 a.m.

W. Moen
Senior Engineering Officer