

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE**  
**INCHBONNIE RATING DISTRICT**  
**HELD AT WARWICK GAULT'S RESIDENCE**  
**ON 10 OCTOBER 2011, COMMENCING AT 10.20 AM.**

**PRESENT**

W. Gault, J. Keeney, D. Shaffrey

**IN ATTENDANCE**

West Coast Regional Council  
I. Cummings, A. Birchfield (Councillors)  
M. Meehan, W. Moen, T Jellyman (Staff)

**APOLOGIES**

A. Robb, G. Rooney, P. Berry, R. Adams

*W. Gault / J. Keeney - Carried*

**BUSINESS**

A. Birchfield 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 Monday 13 September 2010, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

*J. Keeney / W. Gault - Carried*

**MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the financial period ending 30 June 2011. He advised the loan account has a current balance of \$82,877.35 and the rating district account has a current credit balance of approximately \$43,556.33, which includes \$9,000 of Grey District Council's contribution for the work done by MBD Contractors. D. Shaffrey commented that a very good job was done of the spraying of the stopbank.

**Moved:**        ***"That the financial report for the 2010 / 2011 year be adopted"***.

*D. Shaffrey / J. Keeney – 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 2010 to 30 June 2011 and advised that \$27,654 worth of works were carried out during the reporting period. W. Moen carried out an inspection on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July 2011 and as a result of this inspection no works were identified but W. Moen advised that he has allowed \$20,000 for unforeseen work.

Cr Birchfield commented that it is good to see that there is some money in the kitty now. W. Gault stated that there is some slumping where the river is coming in near the Orangipuku River, which could do with some topping. It was agreed that there is no need for aerial spraying this year.

Benny joined the meeting. He took the opportunity bringing the frozen fish that he had stored in his freezer to show M. Meehan. He asked M. Meehan if he wished to take the fish for analysis. Benny believes that this fish may be a perch and it was discovered in the creek near Rothery's house. Benny was taking the cows across the creek and one of them stood on the fish and killed it. Benny put the fish in Warwick's freezer. Consideration is being given to donating the fish to NIWA or Fish and Game for scientific purposes.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That the Works Report covering the 2010 / 2011 financial year be adopted.***
- 2. That the 2011 / 2012 works proposals be approved.***

*D. Shaffrey / J. Keeney – Carried*

## **RATES 2012 / 2013**

W. Moen advised a rate of \$40,000 was struck last year and he is proposing that the rate strike is \$40,000 again this year. W. Moen advised that he feels that \$65,000 is not a lot in the kitty should there be a major event requiring emergency works. He advised that should there be a major event then hopefully the Grey District Council would contribute a 50% share. It was noted that with there being no aerial spraying needing to be paid for this would result in less expenditure for the rating district for the coming year. It was agreed that the aerial spraying could be done every two years. D. Shaffrey stated that he is comfortable with a rate strike of \$20,000.

**Moved:** ***"That the recommended rate strike for the 2012 / 2013 financial year is \$20,000 GST Excl."***

*D. Shaffrey / J. Keeney - Carried*

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

It was agreed that the status quo would remain.

**Moved:** ***"That W. Gault be re-elected as the spokesperson for the Inchbonnie Rating District for the 2011 / 2012 financial year and the committee consists of all members present."***

*D. Shaffrey / J. Keeney - Carried*

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

W. Gault suggested that he and W. Moen inspect the rock groyne at the scheme's top boundary, which is this side of the Grey District Council works. W. Gault stated that the river is over topping in this area and a top up of rock might be required but the groyne below this area is more important and he would like this area inspected soon.

Cr Birchfield commented that the valley is looking very tidy these days.

Discussion took place on the quarry. Cr Birchfield stated that all of council's quarries have been very busy since Christmas. D. Shaffrey asked if there is much more work needing to be done in the Inchbonnie quarry. M. Meehan responded that the top corner is yet to be worked. M. Meehan explained council's plan to build up rock supplies in all council quarries, it is hoped that most quarries will have a stockpile of 5,000 tonne on the floor and 5,000 stockpiled.

J. Keeney requested that contractors are asked to ensure that the road is restored following work in the quarry.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.40 a.m.

## **Action Point:**

- Ensure that contractors are asked to ensure that the road is restored following work in the quarry.
- W. Moen and W. Gault to inspect the rock work near the schemes top boundary.