

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
LOWER WAIHO RATING DISTRICT
HELD AT THE FRANZ JOSEF COMMUNITY HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2007, COMMENCING AT 1.35 PM.

PRESENT

C. Brooks, R. Richards,

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council

B. Chinn, (Councillor), D. Davidson (Councillor)

S. Moran, W. Moen, T. Jellyman (Staff)

APOLOGIES

L. Richards, D. Wright (Franz Dairies)

R. Richards / C. Brooks

BUSINESS

B. Chinn 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 Wednesday 18th October 2006, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

R. Richards / S. Moran - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

FINANCIAL MINUTES

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the financial period ending 30 June 2007. This left the account with a current debit balance of approximately -\$ 38,420.70.

Moved: ***"That the financial report for the 2006 / 2007 year be adopted".***

C. Brooks / R. Richards - 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 2006 to 30 June 2007. No works were carried out during this period.

W. Moen carried out an inspection on the 25th of July 2007 and identified works projected works to be carried out from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008.

He also recommended that an allowance of \$20,000 be made for unforeseen maintenance up to 30 June 2008. The total estimated works to 30 June 2008 is \$42,000.

W. Moen reported that rock has gone down in price. R. Richards stated the bank is looking a bit low.

Moved: ***"That the Works Report covering the 2006 / 2007 financial year be adopted and the 2007 / 2008 works proposals be approved and the associated works implemented."***

R. Richards / C. Brooks - Carried

RATES 2008/ 2009

W. Moen tabled an email from David Wright (Franz Dairies) regarding flood protection work. D. Wright requested an apology be recorded for him. It was agreed that the rate strike would be dealt with prior to David Wright's email being discussed.

Moved: *"That the suggested rate strike for the 2008 / 2009 financial Year be \$50,000 + G.S.T."*

R. Richards / C. Brooks - Carried

W. Moen the read the following motion of D. Wright's. W. Moen advised that cross section work and analysis would need to be carried out first. There was discussion around whether one ratepayer could propose such works. S. Moran stated the D. Wright is entitled to put this request to the meeting but if their request is not successful then they need to look to plan B. W. Moen stated that cross section information might be available from Transit which will save approximately \$10,000. R. Richards spoke of the possibility of raising the bank by 0.5 of a metre. W. Moen advised that analysis would need to be carried out first to ascertain the correct height required for the stopbank as it may well need to be higher than 0.5. W. Moen advised that ideally the whole of the Waiho River should be done from the bridge downstream and all three rating districts could contribute a third each. S. Moran advised that it would be prudent to include the whole area, he spoke of the advantages of a three-way split between the rating districts.

W. Moen estimated that the cost of surveying the area would be approximately \$8,000 - \$10,000 this would equate to around \$3,000 to each rating district. Cr Chinn advised the rating district to look hard at this. S. Moran advised that WCRC would get the costings for this project and report back to the rating district committees.

Moved: *A. "That the Lower Waiho Scheme request the West Coast Regional Council to undertake a preliminary assessment of the flooding risk (if it is not already available) to the scheme ratepayers for various annual return interval river flow events and the flood protection work that would need to be implemented to negate these risks".*

B. "Provide a cost estimation to undertake the works as described from A. above".

C. "That the West Coast Regional Council provide a report covering items A. and B. above, to ratepayers in order that a decision on proposed flood protection works can be agreed at the Scheme meeting in 2008."

Dave Wright (Chairperson – Franz Dairies)

There was no seconder for this motion.

Moved: *"That the letter from David Wright be received and that the W. Moen report back to the rating district committee with costings".*

R. Richards – C. Brooks – Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moved: *"That the committee be all those present, namely:*

Lorraine Richards

Robin Richards

Chris Brooks

Ben Monk

Richard Molloy

Wendy Sullivan (DoC) for the 2007 / 2008 financial year."

C. Brooks / R. Richards - Carried

Moved: ***"That Robin Richards be re-elected as the spokesperson for the 2007 / 2008 financial year."***

C. Brooks / R. Richards - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.04 pm.

**Wayne Moen
River Engineer
19 September 2007**