

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
VINE CREEK RATING DISTRICT
HELD AT THE KOWHITIRANGI HALL
ON 20 OCTOBER 2008, COMMENCING AT 11.03 AM

PRESENT

B. Godfrey, A. Godfrey, J. Michell, P. Cook, W. Diedrichs, D. Robinson, G. Monk

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council
D. Davidson, B. Chinn (Councillors)
W. Moen, T. Jellyman (Staff)

APOLOGIES

N. Monk, T. Burdon, B. Patterson

A. Godfrey / P. Cook - 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 20 September 2007, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

P. Cook / A. Godfrey - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

An amendment to last year's minutes noting that B. Godfrey was recorded twice in the minutes and A. Godfrey inadvertently left out.

W. Moen reported that the cleanup upstream of the bridge was done by Ferguson Contractors.

W. Moen reported that W. Diedrichs had asked if council has any record of the spoil placement agreements through the Diedrichs property when the scheme was started.

W. Moen stated that he has been unable to find anything in writing or plan form.

W. Moen confirmed he would be coming down on Wednesday to meet with W. Diedrichs to resolve this matter with a formal agreement. W. Diedrichs spoke of an historic agreement that his father had with this council. W. Moen has been unable to locate this.

W. Diedrichs stated that he also has been unable to locate his copy of the original plan.

Discussion took place regarding the gorse spraying on the stopbanks not being down this year. W. Moen advised this will be mowed in the next few days then it will be sprayed.

W. Diedrichs feels that mowing will spread the seed. P. Cook stated if the gorse is sprayed initially then it is up to the landowners to spot spray after this.

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 \$94,953.21.

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

P. Cook / B. Godfrey - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

WORKS REPORT

W. Moen presented the works report for the 2007 / 2008 period. W. Moen stated that Fergusons encountered a lot of breakdowns during this time but the price for the job was very cheap and they lost money on these works. W. Moen was happy with the works.

W. Moen reported that he carried out an inspection on 20 August 2008. Works and some spraying were identified with the estimated cost being \$12,000 for these proposed works. W. Diedrichs stated that the culvert is very narrow and he feels another culvert is required to widen the road. B. Godfrey confirmed that the culvert is only two pipes wide and it does need to be wider. It was agreed that W. Moen would look at this on Wednesday and report back to the rating district.

RECOMMENDATION

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

A. Godfrey / J. Michell – Carried

RATES 2009 / 2010

W. Moen reported that the balance in the account by the end of June would be \$136,000. He recommended that the same rate be struck this year as last year, which was \$45,000.

RECOMMENDATION

"That the rate strike for the 2009 / 2010 financial Year is \$45,000 (GST Excl)."

A. Godfrey / J. Michell – Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moved: ***"That the present committee, namely:***

J. Michell

G. Monk

B. Godfrey

T. Burden

N. Monk

be retained as the committee for the 2008 / 2009 financial year."

P. Cook / A. Godfrey - Carried

Moved: ***"That J. Michell be re-elected as the spokesperson for the 2008 / 2009 financial year."***

P. Cook / A. Godfrey - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

W. Diedrichs stated that rubbish being dumped on the stopbank is still a problem. This is on the true right side of the stopbank.

W. Moen agreed to follow this up with the landowner.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.25 a.m.

Action Points

- W. Moen Inspect narrow culvert – only two pipes wide.
- W. Moen Follow up with landowner regarding rubbish being dumped on the stopbank.