

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
WAITANGITAONA RATING DISTRICT
HELD AT THE WHATAROA COMMUNITY HALL
ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2010, COMMENCING AT 1.30 PM

PRESENT

W. Nolan, G. Purcell, D. Straight, D. Nolan, A. Lash, G. Julian, D. Bowater, M. Potae

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council

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

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

APOLOGIES

P. Northcroft

D. Straight / G. Julian - Carried

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 Meeting held on 15 October 2009, be adopted as a true and correct record of that meeting."***

W. Nolan / D. Straight - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

FINANCIAL REPORT

W. Moen presented the financial statements for the period ending 30 June 2010. He advised the opening balance was \$187,177.76 and as at the end of June this year the closing balance was \$125,151.44. W. Moen stated that the account has been reduced considerably but this is due to the \$91,000 worth of work done during the reporting period.

W. Nolan advised TrustPower contributed 30% (\$8,571.43) to the rating district account but he noted that this year they would be contributing close to \$10,000 as the rate strike was increased. Discussion took place on how this contribution was derived. It was agreed that W. Moen would check this matter with the Corporate Services Manager and report back to W. Nolan. W. Nolan would also like to know what percentage of interest is earned on the rating district's account. It was agreed that this would be checked out and W. Moen would inform W. Nolan of this and also the rental charge.

Moved: ***"That the financial report for the 2009 / 2010 year be adopted subject to the interest earned on savings and clarification on the amount TrustPower's contribution is."***

W. Nolan / D. Nolan - 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 2009 to 30 June 2010. W. Moen reported that \$91,000 worth of works was carried out during the reporting period. W. Moen carried out an inspection on the 7th of July 2010 and no works were identified but he suggested that \$12,000 be allowed for unforeseen work.

W. Nolan spoke of work carried out and stated that within a week of the new retard going up there was a flood and this was followed by two more floods all within two weeks. W. Nolan stated he is very pleased with how this working. W. Nolan stated that the work done in the Richardson Road area cost \$20,000 which was done as an emergency job and he stated that this was money well spent as it kept the river away from this area.

D. Straight agreed with W. Nolan's comments and stated that the extension is taking the pressure off the lagoon area. G. Purcell stated that the rating district is appreciative of the work done in the area.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Works Report covering the 2009 / 2010 financial year be adopted.***
- 2. That the 2010 / 2011 works proposals be approved.***

D. Straight / G. Purcell - Carried

RATES 2011 / 2012

W. Moen advised that he is suggesting that the rate strike is increased to \$30,000 in view of the fact that \$91,000 worth of works was done and only \$20,000 was brought into the account last year. He advised that the rating district account needs to be built up.

W. Nolan spoke of work that had been done and what might need to be done in the future. He feels that by extending the bank they have saved the day and he does not think a large amount of money needs to be saved into the kitty. W. Nolan feels that \$20,000 for the rate strike is enough. G. Purcell and D. Nolan are in agreement with W. Nolan.

RECOMMENDATION

"That the rate strike for the 2011 / 2012 financial Year is \$20,000 (GST Excl)."

W. Nolan / A. Lash – Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

T. Jellyman read out the names of the current committee. It was agreed that the present committee remains in place.

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

P. Northcroft

W. Nolan

G. Purcell

D. Bowater

D. Straight

be retained as the committee for the 2010 / 2011 financial year."

W. Nolan / D. Nolan - Carried

Moved: *"That W. Nolan be re-elected as the spokesperson for the 2010 / 2011 financial year."*

G. Purcell / D. Straight - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Chinn thanked W. Nolan on behalf of the Regional Council and staff for the work he does for the rating district. Cr Chinn stated that W. Nolan is organised, the rating district knows what they want and has the facts and figures in front of them and this makes the job so much easier.

W. Nolan asked the rating district to consider putting a pipe into the lagoon to lower the water level. W. Nolan does not want to see the lagoon get any bigger. W. Nolan stated that he is concerned that the area under the bank is wet all the time. D. Straight stated that a 600 mm pipe would be sufficient to do the job. W. Moen agreed to check the boundary and report back to W. Nolan.

G. Julian asked if trees could be planted along the bank. D. Nolan stated that poplars would be okay but not willows. It was agreed that the rating district would talk among themselves to see if tree planting is acceptable in this area.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.58 p.m.

Action Points:

W. Moen to check with Corporate Services Manager as to how TrustPower's financial contribution is derived, the interest rate of rating district's account and clarification of the rental figure and report back to W. Nolan.

W. Moen to check the boundary in the lagoon area and report back to W. Nolan.