

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
WANGANUI RATING DISTRICT
HELD AT THE HARI HARI RESTROOMS
ON TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2005, COMMENCING AT 7.40PM.

PRESENT

A. Campbell, L. Molloy, N. Adamson, S. Davie, M. Hayes, A. Harris, J. Stewart, R. Berry.

IN ATTENDANCE

West Coast Regional Council
D. Davidson, (Councillor)
D. Horn, W. Moen (Staff)

APOLOGIES

B. Thompson, M. Molloy, V. Smith, J. Clayton (West Coast Regional Council)
N. Adamson / L. Molloy - 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
Wednesday 27 October 2004, be adopted as a true and correct record
of that meeting.”*

A. Harris / J. Stewart - Carried

MATTERS ARISING

Extended discussion took place on the Wanganui Quarry and associated access road works. It was explained that Council had finalised access arrangement with Mrs Black and that Council would be liable for a \$1 per tonne levy on all rock won from the quarry and carted through her property. The extra costs would be incorporated into a revised quarry charge. It was also explained that the access road formation was formed in May 2005 at a cost of \$35,101.50 GST exclusive.

D. Horn explained that the safe status of the bridge had been questioned from an OSH perspective and as a result Council had to engage consulting structural engineers to test the bridge under designed loading before it could be approved to a class 1 safe loading category.

The survey to legalise the necessary easements would be carried out later in the year. The expense of all the above work would be recovered on an added rock levy specific to this quarry rather than a direct actual cost to the rating district.

R. Berry sought information on the ownership of the bridge. D. Horn explained that it was a rating district asset.

Moved: *“That the Works Report covering the 2004 / 2005 financial year be adopted and the 2005 / 2006 works proposals be approved.”*
M. Hayes / R. Berry - Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moved: *“That the present committee, namely:
R. Berry*
A. Harris*
N. Adamson
L. Molloy
J. Stewart
A. Campbell
be retained as the committee for the 2005 / 2006 financial year.”*
L. Molloy / N. Adamson - Carried

Moved: *“That R. Berry be re-elected as the spokesperson for the 2005 / 2006 financial year.”*
L. Molloy / N. Adamson - Carried

RATES 2006 / 2007

General discussion ensued on future rate strikes.
Speakers included: M. Hayes, L. Molloy, R. Berry and A. Campbell.

Moved: *“That the suggested rate strike recommendation to Council for the 2006 / 2007 financial Year be \$15,000 + G.S.T.”*
J. Stewart / L. Molloy - Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Discussion took place on the general risk assessment of the Wanganui scheme works. W. Moen suggested that any costs involved in design information should be included in the 2006/2007 budget round.

D. Horn suggested that the rating district committee supply a letter in support of such design work to be funded from the general rate fund to the Council's LTCCP process.

Further discussion took place on the aerial spraying of the stopbank. M. Hayes suggested that an alternative to Tordon spray could be “Mustang”.

L. Molloy expressed great satisfaction at the presentation and composition of the supporting documentation for the annual general rating.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

**Wayne Moen
River Engineer
5 December 2005**