

**FISH & GAME NEW ZEALAND  
NELSON MARLBOROUGH REGION**

**MINUTES OF THE NELSON-MARLBOROUGH FISH AND GAME COUNCIL HELD  
AT 10 AM ON 15 MARCH 2022, AT 66 CHAMPION ROAD, RICHMOND.**

**Present:** Owen Baigent  
Jean Willis  
Steve Holmes  
Felix Borenstein  
Tom Kroos

**Present Remotely**

Keepa Timms	Ngai Tahu Representative
Bill Cash	from 1pm
Guy Gardiner	from 1pm

**In Attendance**

Karen Crook	Secretary
Lawson Davey	Field Officer
Jacob Lucas	Field Officer

**In Attendance Remotely**

Rhys Barrier	Manager
Vaughan Lyn	Field Officer

1. ***APOLOGIES*** David Haynes, Sebastien Den Doncker, Nick King,

**C1/03/22 MOVE THAT THE APOLOGIES BE ACCEPTED**  
**S Holmes/F Borenstein**  
**CARRIED**

2. ***IDENTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS AND AGREEMENT ON AGENDA ORDER***

The following urgent business was identified and added as a late agenda item,

- Councillor Kroos requested there be a public excluded session at some point during the meeting.

3. ***ANNUAL AGENDA AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST***

- Fish Committee meeting set for 21 April.
- Executive Committee meeting to review the Managers half yearly performance set for 5 April.

Councillors signed the Conflict register and identified whether there were any topics to be discussed at this meeting they perceive to be a potential conflict of interest.

Potential Conflicts noted.

Councillor Borenstein – Owner of Owen River Lodge and NZPFA Executive Member

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**4. CONSIDERATION OF THE FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES**

C2/03/22     **MOVE            THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY MEETING BE  
CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF THE  
MEETING.**  
T Kroos/J Willis  
**CARRIED**

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE FEBRUARY MINUTES/ ACTION REQUIRED  
SCHEDULE**

**NZPFGA 30 YEAR CONCESSION APPLICATION AND GUIDES LICENCE**

Councillor Borenstein updated the Council advising that the NZPFGA was not applying for a 30-year concession, the concession is for 9 year and 364 days, making it non notifiable.

**PHEASANT PRESERVE – VAVASOUR FAMILY TRUSTS**

Council was advised that the Minister of Conservation has approved the Vavasour Family Trust application to run a commercial pheasant preserve.

**6. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.**

C3/03/22     **MOVE            THAT THE FEBRUARY 2022 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT  
TOTALLING \$40,636.20 BE CONFIRMED FOR PAYMENT**  
S Holmes/ F Borenstein  
**CARRIED**

The Financial report was tabled and noted.

C4/03/22     **MOVE            THAT ANY REMAINING BUDGET AS AT 31 AUGUST  
2022 FOR PAPA WETLAND BE PUT INTO A DEDICATED RESERVE  
FOR USE IN THE 22/23 FINANCIAL YEAR.**  
F Borenstein/T Kroos  
**CARRIED**

**7. HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT**

The Health & Safety Report was tabled and accepted

**8. PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

C5/03/22     **MOVE            THAT THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED UNDER  
SECTION 48(1) (A) (I) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL  
INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987 DURING DISCUSSION OF  
ITEMS OF A COMMERCIAL NATURE, AS THE DISCLOSURE OF  
SUCH DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE CONTRARY TO COUNCIL'S  
REQUIRMENT TO PROTECT INFORMATION WHICH IS SUBJECT  
TO AN OBLIGATION OF CONFIDENCE**  
T Kroos/S Holmes  
**CARRIED**

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**C6/03/22      MOVE                      THAT THE COUNCIL GO INTO COMMITTEE**

**T Kroos/S Holmes**

**CARRIED**

11.50am

**C7/03/19      MOVE                      THAT THE COUNCIL COME OUT OF**

**COMMITTEE**

**T Kroos/J Willis**

**CARRIED**

12.05pm

**9.      . *OPERATIONAL WORK PLAN REPORT.***

The Manager expanded on items in the report when asked.

**10.     *DRAFT 2022/23 OPERATIONAL WORK PLAN***

**C8/03/19      MOVE                      THAT THIS COUNCIL APPROVES THE OPERATIONAL  
WORK PLAN FOR 2022-23 AND THE CONTESTABLE FUND  
APPLICATIONS TO GO TO NEW ZEALAND COUNCIL AS  
PRESENTED AT THIS MEETING.**

**J Willis/F Borenstein**

**CARRIED**

**11.     *NZ COUNCIL MEETING REPORT***

Councillor Kroos reported on the NZ F&G Council meeting held on 18 February 2022.

- The current Acting CEO has handed her resignation in, a new job description for a CEO is currently being worked through and the position will be advertised shortly.
- Councillor Kroos is to chair a Research Strategy sub committee of NZC
- Pressure Sensitive Fisheries Management draft options paper is now out to regions for feedback.

**12.     *CHAIR'S REPORT***

1.        The Chair reported that he had spoken with several other Chairs, all have agreed that the timeframe for giving responses to the Concept draft report on the future regional structure of Fish and Game Councils is too short to provide fully thought through/considered responses. The Chair said he would write to NZC expressing these concerns.

2.        **C9/03/19      MOVE                      THAT THIS COUNCIL WRITES TO  
COUNCILLOR IAN McLEOD ASKING IF HE IS ABLE TO ATTEND  
ANY MEETING AND HIGHLIGHTING SECTION 1.12.6 ABSENCE  
WITHOUT LEAVE OF THIS COUNCIL'S STANDING ORDERS.**

**J Willis/F Borenstein**

**CARRIED**

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**13. FEEDBACK DRAFT REPORT ON THE FUTURE REGIONAL STRUCTURE OF  
FISH AND GAME COUNCILS**

Councillors discussed the draft report. The manager took notes, and it was agreed he would collate the points discussed, email a draft response to all councillors for feedback before sending an agreed final to David Hunt at Concept.

**12. CORRESPONDENCE**

Noted

**9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

No General Business

**MEETING CLOSED 2.30 pm**

Chair *D. J. Baigent* Dated 17 - 5 - 22 2022