

# North Canterbury Fish and Game Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting  
Held on Wednesday 18<sup>TH</sup> December 2013,  
At the Canterbury Horticultural Society Hall, Riccarton Avenue  
Commencing at 9.15pm

## 1. Present:

Councillors: Martin Clements (Chairman), Bruce Kelly, Steve McNeill, Peter Robinson, Trevor Isitt, Cavan O'Connell, Serge Bonnafox, Paul Farrow, Chris Goom, Ken Lee

Staff: Rod Cullinane, Steve Terry, Tony Hawker, Dirk Barr, Debbie Ambler, Kelvin Wright, Scott Pearson.

## 2. Apologies

Councillors: Malcolm Gilbert, Brian Smart

Staff: Emily Moore

"That the apologies be accepted".

Moved: Cr Bonnafox

Seconded: Cr McNeill Carried

## 3. General Business

T Isitt - Gamebird Sub-Committee

## 4. Minutes from the Previous Meeting dated 16<sup>th</sup> October 2013

"That the minutes from the previous meeting be accepted.

Moved: Cr Lee

Seconded: Cr Kelly Carried

### 4.1 Matters Arising/Action Sheet

5. Public Session - bullet point 3 - should read "promote the effects on irrigation of silt laden...."

On the Action Sheet - Under 16<sup>th</sup> October 2013 - Continue to work to clarify the position of scented v unscented bait issue. Take to national level to remove "scented" out of regulations.

#### Action Sheet:

Under 21<sup>st</sup> August No 6 & 8 Delete.

Under 16<sup>th</sup> October No 1 Delete.

## 6. Meeting Business

Purchase of 595 Johns Road Christchurch

"That the North Canterbury Fish and Game Council resolves to purchase the property situated at 595 Johns Road Christchurch on the terms and conditions as set out in the Agreement for Sale and Purchase dated 13<sup>th</sup> December and further, that;

1. Cr Clements and General Manager R Cullinane be authorised to execute the necessary purchase documents on behalf of the Council as directed by the Council's Solicitors Purnell Creighton (Mr Roger Simes)
2. Payment for the purchase be made from the funds set aside in the Term Investment accounts set aside for such purpose.

Moved: Cr Isitt  
 Seconded: Cr Bonnafoux Carried

6.i NZ Salmon Anglers Assn - Annual Fishing Competition

"That the North Canterbury Fish and Game Council approve the NZ Salmon Anglers Association annual Waimakariri Salmon Fishing Competition to be held on Saturday 22 March 2014".

Moved: Cr Isitt  
 Seconded: Cr Bonnafoux Carried

R Cullinane to respond to application.

6.ii Gamebird Regulations Meeting

Cr Clements stated he was concerned that Gamebird stakeholders were not being heard enough and that their concerns needed to be taken on board.

Cr Isitt reported that following the submissions from licence holders and meeting with submitters that the status quo should remain with any regulation changes.

General discussion followed on sub-gauge lead changes. That if any changes were to occur, retailers needed to be given consideration as to stocks held.

That pheasant rearing needed to be addressed again, and that this be taken back to an operations meeting for discussion and presentation to a council meeting.

R Cullinane stated the need to focus on the Youth Program for Shooters be considered.

General discussion then focused on the Gamebird Sub-Committee and its effectiveness. R Cullinane to approach Cr Smart to ask his intentions relating to this Sub-Committee.

"That the status quo remain across all aspects of the Game bird regulations".

Moved: Cr Isitt  
 Seconded: Cr McNeil Carried

General discussion followed on condensing all Gamebird reports into one report for presentation as an annual report.

R Cullinane and staff to revisit the issuing of permits and use of volunteers to shoot on farmers' land.

## 7 Reports

### 7 a Chairman's Report

Cr Clements reported he had numerous meetings relating to the purchase of the Johns Road property and continued to have contact with R Cullinane on various operational and strategic issues..

**7 b. Staff Report**

Reported on at the Annual General Meeting

**7 c. Financial Report**

Reported on at the Annual General Meeting

**7 d. New Zealand Council Report**

Cr Robinson reported there would be an external financial review carried out at national level. That a public awareness focus to encourage public input should be carried out regarding issues surrounding the RMA.

**7 e. Youth Programme Report**

Reported on at the Annual General Meeting.

**7 f. Building Update**

Settlement and possession on 16 January 2014.

**7 g. Portfolio Reports**

**Media** - Reported that Clearwater was denying access to the lakes - R Cullinane to follow up.

That Lake Coleridge opening was well received and the inaugural Lake Lyndon family fishing day was an outstanding success.

Cr Farrow advised that he had recently seen around 70 cones in the Avon River that should be retrieved. It was suggested that we look at early January 2014 for clean up day with notices to be put in shop windows requesting volunteers.

**Salmon/Trout Committee** - No meeting held. T Hawker to ask ECAN how long the access and excavation work will take to complete on the Waimak River. That the conditions relating to the diversion of the Ashley River for the replacement bridge be taken up with the appropriate authority.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.25pm. Cr Clements thanked all attendees for their work and effort put in during the year.

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**Next Meeting:** February 19<sup>th</sup> 2014

**Venue:** TBA