

CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of Central South Island Fish and Game Council held in the Boardroom, 32 Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka, on Thursday 7 December 2017 at 4:00 pm.

Present: J Cruden L Koevoet
B Growcott P McLauchlan
M Hall G Rooney (Chairman)
D Isbister B Whipp

In Attendance:

Staff: J Graybill (Chief Executive), B Dolan (Office Administrator), A Christensen (Resource Officer), M Webb (Fish and Game Officer), H Stevens (Fish and Game Officer), R Adams (Fish and Game Officer) and J Couper (Fish and Game Officer).

17-056 APOLOGIES:

W Spry and D Winterburn.

AGREED that the apologies of W Spry and D Winterburn be accepted.

17-057 COUNCILLOR INTEREST REGISTER:

Chairman queried if Councillors had any new interests to add to the register. There were no additions to be added.

17-058 HEALTH & SAFETY:

Chief Executive pointed out exit points of the building and assembly points for evacuation of the premises.

17-059 GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Salmon Smolt (LK)

17-060 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 19 October 2017:

L Koevoet clarified that on the last sentence of 17-052 he had offered to provide D Winterburn a copy of the letter that he himself had written to Environment Canterbury and not a letter sent to him from the Regional Council as stated in the October 2017 minutes.

Resolved (Koevoet/Isbister)

17-027

THAT WITH THE ABOVE CORRECTION THE MINUTES OF MEETING OF 19 OCTOBER 2017 BE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

17-061 BUDGET AND FINANCE:

061.1 Financial Reports & Expense Listing

Resolved (Koevoet/McLauchlan)

17-028

THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE FINANCIAL REPORTS AND RATIFIES THE EXPENSE LISTINGS FOR OCTOBER 2017 IN THE GST INCLUSIVE AMOUNT OF \$78,253.56.



17-062 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT:

062.1 2018/19 Gamebird Hunting Regulations (9.1)

M Webb provided his recommendations on the 2018/19 gamebird hunting conditions that suggested that no changes were needed for this upcoming season.

Resolved (Whipp/Growcott)

17-029

THAT THE CSI COUNCIL APPROVE THE 2018/19 GAMEBIRD HUNTING CONDITIONS AS STATED IN THE STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL WITH NO CHANGES NEEDED TO THE CONDITIONS FOR THE 2018/19 SEASON EXCEPT FOR THE STANDARD DATE CHANGES.

062.2 Standing Orders for Adoption (9.2)

As requested by Council the CE obtained advice from legal counsel as to the definition of "qualified privilege". This advice included a detailed explanation of the term and suggested a definition as follows:

Qualified privilege means, in these standing orders, that there is a defence to any defamation claim if the defamation occurs in the circumstances outlined in standing orders 2.4.1 or 2.4.2.

Resolved (Hall/Koevoet)

17-030

THAT THE STANDING ORDERS PRESENTED TO THE DECEMBER 2017 COUNCIL MEETING BE FORMALLY ADOPTED SUBJECT TO INCLUSION OF THE DEFINITION OF "QUALIFIED PRIVILEGE" AS NOTED ABOVE AND ATTACHMENT OF THE EXPLANATION OF "QUALIFIED PRIVILEGE" AS AN APPENDIX TO THE STANDING ORDERS.

062.3 2016/17 Performance Report (9.3)

Chief Executive presented Council with the draft annual Performance Report for the financial year ended 31 August 2017 for approval.

Resolved (Hall/Whipp)

17-031

THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR THE 2016/17 FINANCIAL YEAR.

17-063 OPERATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS:

063.1 Activity Reports & Operations Reports (10.1)

Staff responded to general queries from Councillors related to topics reported in their activities and operations reports. Topics included:

- Update on outcome of Environment Canterbury taking a prosecution against Greg Nelson on unconsented works on the Hakataramea.
- RDR application to be publicly notified on January 20th 2018.
- Fish Screen Working Group meeting to be held by MfE in April. It was felt it would be beneficial for Mark Webb to attend.

Bowyers Stream

Chief Executive advised that there has been no response from Environment Canterbury to CSI Fish and Game laying charges in the District Court for allegedly disturbing or damaging the spawning ground for any freshwater fish in Bowyers Stream.

M Hall commented that CSI have taken a bold step and our stakeholders are saying 'well done' as it is generally felt amongst our stakeholders that this sort of destruction to our spawning streams simply has to stop.

Resolved (Hall/Koevoet)

THAT THE CSI COUNCIL ENDORSES THE ACTION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE IN TAKING A PROSECUTION UNDER THE CONSERVATION ACT AGAINST ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY FOR DISTURBING OR DAMAGING THE SPAWNING GROUND FOR ANY FRESHWATER FISH.

063.2 Fish and Game/McKinnons 6-Monthly Report (10.2)

G Rooney and Bill Whipp both declared they had a conflict of interest.

Council discussed the issue of Fish and Game funding the cost of the 11,610 fish used in the RWL fish screen trial and it was:

Resolved (Isbister/Koevoet)

17-032

THAT MCKINNON'S HATCHERY BE REIMBURSED THE COST OF JUVENILE SALMON USED IN THE RWL FISH TRIAL AT A COST OF 50 CENTS PER FISH FOR 11,610 FISH WITH THE TOTAL COST BEING \$5,805.

17-064 GENERAL BUSINESS:

064.1 Salmon Smolt (LK)

L Koevoet advised that as a result of the Salmon Symposium he would be bringing some new ideas re a possible solution for raising smolt to their next meeting for Council to consider. He requested it go on the agenda. Chief Executive advised that Council must be provided with a written detailed report/proposal if it is to be included with the February meeting papers for Council consideration.

Meeting closed: 6:07 pm.

Next Council Meeting – 15 February 2018

Signed _____



Date _____

15 Feb 2018