

OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of the Regulatory Committee held in the Council Chamber, 70 Stafford Street, Dunedin on Wednesday 8 June 2016 commencing at 1:53pm

Present:

- Cr Gerrard Eckhoff (Deputy Chairperson)
- Cr Graeme Bell
- Cr Doug Brown
- Cr Louise Croot MNZM
- Cr Michael Deaker
- Cr Gary Kelliher
- Cr Trevor Kempton
- Cr Gretchen Robertson
- Cr Bryan Scott
- Cr David Shepherd
- Cr Stephen Woodhead

Leave of Absence: Cr Sam Neill

In attendance:

- Peter Bodeker
- Nick Donnelly
- Fraser McRae
- Gavin Palmer
- Scott MacLean
- Caroline Rowe
- Marian Weaver
- Lauren McDonald

Cr Eckhoff chaired the meeting in Cr Neill's absence.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 April 2016, having been circulated, were adopted on the motion of Crs Croot and Cr Eckhoff

Motion carried

Matters arising from minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

ITEMS FOR NOTING

Item 1

2016/0811 **Biosecurity and RMA Monitoring Report. DEMO, 21/5/16**

Reporting on water, air, pest, and contaminated site environmental monitoring and incidents for the period 2 April to 20 May 2016.

Mr Bodeker advised that he and Mr MacLean were to meet with the Guardians of Lake Dunstan as a follow-up to their Annual Plan submission.

Concern was expressed on the increasing number of wallaby sightings and that resourcing needed to be in place to eradicate this very destructive pest.

Mr MacLean advised that the initial trial, underway with Landcare and Environment Canterbury, which is part funded by Sustainable Farming Fund (SFF), may have limitations on use of a “search and destroy” approach to wallabies during helicopter surveillance of areas. He confirmed that if the infrared technology used during a helicopter fly-over identified wallabies, he would be wanting to follow-up with an armed person in a helicopter to those areas identified.

Mr MacLean stated there had been a couple of reliable sightings in locations where wallabies would not have not been released for hunting, i.e urban. In regard to the question whether these animals had been released or transported intentionally, was unknown.

Moved Cr Deaker
Seconded Cr Kelliher

That the report be noted.

Motion carried

Item 2

2016/0843

Consent processing, consent administration and Building Control Authority update.
DPPRM, 24/5/16

Details of consent processing, consent administration and building control authority activity for the period 4 April to 20 May 2016.

A question was raised in regard to the Mt Campbell Station Ltd appeal as to a timeline for a decision.

Mrs Weaver advised that mediation was adjourned while the applicants considered their options, and a report back to Court was requested for the end of July.

Moved Cr Croot
Seconded Cr Woodhead

That the report be noted.

Motion carried

Item 3

2016/0828

RMA, Biosecurity Act and Building Act Enforcement Activities.
DPPRM, 23/5/16

Details of Resource Management Act 1991, Biosecurity Act 1993 and Building Act 2004 enforcement activities undertaken by the Otago Regional Council for the period 2 April to 20 May 2016.

Moved Cr Croot
Seconded Cr Shepherd

That this report be noted.

Motion carried

Item 4

2016/0844

Progress Report on Implementation of RPW Water Quantity (Plan Change 1C). DPPRM, 24/5/16

This report noted the progress made on implementation of the Regional Plan Water Quantity policies and the promotion of the requirement for deemed permit replacement.

A request was made for an update on progress of collaboration of individual permit holders into groups.

Mr McRae advised a high level of work was underway to assist individuals work together as a group and that there has been a good level of enquiry

around group formation. He confirmed that there has been good response to material provided, including relating to form and function of groups.

Moved Cr Woodhead
Seconded Cr Scott

That the report be noted.

Motion carried

Item 5
2016/0855

Appointment of Hearing Commissioners to June 2016
DPPRM, 26/5/16

The report detailed the appointments made in this reporting period to June 2016.

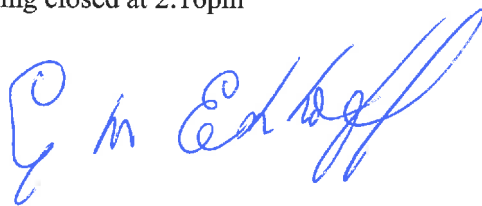
Cr Croot confirmed that the appointment of independent commissioners was completed by electronic meeting for a joint hearing with CODC

Moved Cr Croot
Seconded Cr Woodhead

That the report be noted.

Motion carried

Meeting closed at 2:16pm



Chairperson