



MINUTES

Mackenzie Forestry Board Meeting

28 February 2019

**MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL
MACKENZIE FORESTRY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE
ON THURSDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2019 AT 8.30AM**

PRESENT: Mayor Graham Smith (Mayor), Cr Stuart Barwood (Councillor), Cr Chris Clarke (Councillor), Cr Anne Munro (Councillor)

IN ATTENDANCE: Paul Morris (Group Manager Finance), Terry O'Neill, by phone (District Forester), Charlotte Borrell (Committee Administrator).

1 OPENING

The Mayor welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

Kevin O'Neil (Forestry Manager)

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4 VISITORS

There were no visitors.

5 REPORTS

5.1 MINUTES OF FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING - 20 NOVEMBER 2018

Cr Munro noted that it was Cr Barwood that was water tabling at foxes peak not herself. The minutes are updated to show this correction.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/48

Moved: Cr Chris Clarke

Seconded: Cr Anne Munro

1. That the Minutes of the Forestry Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 20 November 2018 be received and adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting with the above correction.

CARRIED

5.2 FORESTRY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT TO JUNE 2018

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The Financial Report for the Mackenzie Forestry Board for the period ending December 2018.

Paul Morris (Group Manager Finance) spoke to the report. The Mayor queried insurance and rates not budgeted for. Mr Morris said it is an error and will be corrected.

The committee discussed the costings of tree purchases, planting and spraying and the percentage likely to make it to maturity.

The Mayor noted the council did well out of the harvesting and have also come out with a better species as a replacement.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/49

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood

Seconded: Cr Chris Clarke

1. That the report be received and information noted.

CARRIED

5.3 FORESTRY MANAGER'S REPORT

The Committee commended Kevin O'Neil on his work.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/50

Moved: Cr Anne Munro

Seconded: Cr Stuart Barwood

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

5.4 GENERAL BUSINESS

Harvesting: Terry O'Neill identified the Douglas Fir adjacent to the areas in his report are a year older but don't have same urgency as the creek is not running through there. It is on the long term plan for harvesting. The Woodburn Douglas Fir will be coming on line and will give a more consistent flow of Douglas Fir. The loggers will start around April/May and have it cleaned up by the end of financial year.

Wilding trees: Pukaki still an issue and there is budget set aside for this. This land is part of the land swap. Spraying the perimeter and chipping the trees may be a more cost effective option.

Simons Hill: There was discussion around how the self-growing Muricata trees could be dealt with. Mr O'Neill will get contractors in to pull/cut larger trees. The trees need to be large enough to remove them all but it becomes more expensive when they are much larger. This is a preferred option to spraying as that can risk overspray onto the crop trees.

The committee agreed Kevin O'Neil will to provide updates and options regarding the Simons Pass Muricata at the next Forestry Committee meeting.

There was discussion around property owner Dan Davies who has approx. 2ha of his land which was planted in trees by the council due to boundary lines not being clear. Mr Davies is happy for the trees to remain on that land. It was agreed Paul Morris would write this letter to Mr Davies to formalise this.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/51

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood

Seconded: Cr Anne Munro

1. That the information be noted.
2. That the Group Manager Finance write to Mr Dan Davis to formalise a lease for land currently owned by Mr Davis, planted in Council trees. The committee also instructed the Mayor to contact Mr Davis to confirm the current situation and Councils proposal before the letter is sent.

CARRIED

6 PUBLIC EXCLUDED

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/52

Moved: Cr Anne Munro
 Seconded: Cr Stuart Barwood

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
<p>6.1 - Mackenzie Basin Harvesting and Log Sales</p>	<p>s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7</p>

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/53

Moved: Cr Anne Munro
 Seconded: Cr Stuart Barwood

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 9.18am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Mackenzie Forestry Board Meeting held on 21 May 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON