

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Mackenzie Forestry Board Meeting

21 May 2019

MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL MACKENZIE FORESTRY BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE ON TUESDAY, 21 MAY 2019 AT 9.00AM

PRESENT: Mayor Graham Smith, Cr Stuart Barwood, Cr Chris Clarke

IN ATTENDANCE: Kevin O'Neil (Forestry Manager), Terry O'Neill, by phone (District Forester), Suzette van Aswegen (Chief Executive), Adrian Hodgett (Finance Team Leader), Stuart Grant (General Manager Corporate Services), Charlotte Borrell (Governance Advisor), Alice Geary (Fairfax Media)

1 OPENING

The Chair opened the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

Cr Anne Munro

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 - 28 FEBRUARY 2019

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/54

Moved: Cr Chris Clarke Seconded: Cr Stuart Barwood

That the Minutes of the open and public excluded Forestry Committee Meetings held on Thursday 28 February 2019 be received and adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

CARRIED

5.2 FORESTRY BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT TO MARCH 2019

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The Financial Report for the Mackenzie Forestry Board for the period ending March 2019.

This year's allocation of carbon credits are all sold, the carbon credit received was more than budgeted for. The timber price has increased again. There may be additional maintenance costs in Simons Pass.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/55

Moved: Cr Stuart Barwood Seconded: Mayor Graham Smith

1. That the report be received and information noted.

CARRIED

5.3 FORESTRY MANAGER'S REPORT

The committee discussed the private land council has forestry on and that a lease will be written to cover this.

Fox Peak was discussed, there is swampy land trees will not grow on. If approximately 3ha of trees are planted down the bottom, part of the lease can be cancelled. The survival rates are very good considering the extreme conditions they are growing in.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/56

Moved: Mayor Graham Smith Seconded: Cr Stuart Barwood

That the information be noted.

CARRIED

5.4 GENERAL BUSINESS

Logging at Woodburn, the contractors were starting in April but are now starting in June. If they get a clean run logging will be completed quickly. The contractor will then move on to plantations in Burkes Pass then Tekapo. Burkes Pass will be well managed and there will be minimal slash, which will prevent issues in a rain event.

The outcome of a meeting with ECan regarding the flood channel that spreads through the plantation was ECan are satisfied with the situation and forest management plan for remedial work. There will be a small cost to ensure no mud is deposited onto the highway.

The increase in timber prices will give a greater income from these operations. Terry O'Neill explained how carbon credits are calculated. Plantings post 1989 earn credits every year. Credits increase as forests mature. Pre 1989 forests aren't part of ETS unless they are logged and land use is changed from forestry. They need to be replanted within 5 years or carbon credits will need to be paid for.

Terry O'Neill tabled the attached report.

Attachments

1 Terry O'Neill Forestry Report

6.0 PUBLIC EXCLUDED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/57

Moved: Cr Chris Clarke 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
Cave Forestry	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	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

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION MFB/2019/58

Moved: Cr Chris Clarke Seconded: Cr Stuart Barwood

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 9.53am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Mackenzie Forestry Board Meeting held on 27 August 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON