

Waitaki Riparian Enhancement Society Inc.

Minutes of meeting held on the 31st January 2023 at 25 Ruane Street Glenavy at 7.30pm

Present. Trevor Hill, Alan Brooker, Les Crosbie, Noel Simpson, Linn Koevoet.

Apology. Mark Webb. Moved by Alan that apology be received. Seconded Noel carried.

Minutes of previous meeting tabled. Linn advises there is an error under the Heading Financial report , Ballance as at the 6th December Investment is recorded as \$24,694.16 but should read \$45,694.16. This was ammended in the minutes. Linn moves ,subject to the described amendment that the minutes reflect a true and correct record. Seconded Noel, carried.

Matters arrising to be dealt with in GB.

Status of previous resolutions have all been actioned.

Correspondance inward.

- (1) Kiwi bank statement dated 31-1-23.
- (2) Reciept for refund lynn McGregor, phone top up of \$40.00 to bells pond.
- (3) Email notification of commencement of culvert work at Ferry road crossing.
- (4) Email price list from BioMar.
- (5) Sale confirmation of water pump for welcome stream. Goods direct2 U \$152.30.
- (6) Email from bossman engineering estimate \$100,000.
- (7) Documents from Crombie lockwood re renewal of public liability insurance. Policy etc.
- (8) Invoice from P and S Smith for 2,527kwh electricity for year 2022. agreed price \$700.
- (9) Invoice Rural water \$4140 for 30000 litre water tank.
- (10) Email from MPI re salmon morts second event.
- (11) Email and quote from Totallab.co.nz re service ecosence ODO200.
- (12) Reciepts for refund x 8 S koevoet totaling \$535.82.
 - 12.1 Goodsdirect2U \$152.30. water pump replacement WS.
 - 12.2 Farmlands \$191.95 Tordon Brush killer.
 - 12.3 Replacement 9v battery WS \$5.00
 - 12.4 Vacuum pipe for WS \$12.20.
 - 12.5 Red spray paint for marking. \$15.00
 - 12.6 2 cam lock fittings for Waterpump held at WS for filling Fish transporter. \$60.42
 - 12.7 Petrol \$49.56 – log splitter.
 - 12.8 Ideal electrical- aerial replacement for BP. \$49.39.
- (13) Reciept from S Koevoet for deposit of cash in hand into WRES account dated 31-12-22. \$290.
- (14) Invoice from Crombie lockwood \$555.22
- (15) delivery documents and warranty for 30,000 litre water tank to WS.
- (16) Print out showing replacement aerial for autodialler at BP.
- (17) Email with quote for service of Ecosense ODO200.

Correspondance Outward.

- (1) Email John Morris group service enquiry for Ecosence ODO200 WS.
- (2) Email to sales@totallab.co.nz re service of ecosense ODO200.
- (3) Invoice to LWGC dated Dec30th for \$100.

- (4) Email to BioMar placing fish food order.
- (5) News letter , December edition.

Linn moves that inward correspondence be received and outward be authorised. Seconded Alan. Carried.

Matter arising from correspondence to be dealt with in General business.

General Business.

Paul and Sarah Smith have sold the farm to Dairy Holdings Ltd. Transfer date is the 1-6-23. Paul advises that Dairy Holding Ltd appear to sully support our organisation and work. Paul will arrange a meeting with the new owners or representatives of Dairy Holdings Ltd. The electricity consumed by us for the year 2022 has been paid for at an agreed price of \$700. Paul advises that any electricity used by us to the 31st of May he will donate to our organisation. When we meet with the new owners or representative we will have to negotiate how our electrical us will be met.

The purchase of replacement vacuum pump at WS. This pump seriously malfunctioned several days after our 6th December meeting. It was looked at by Lynn McGregor who advised any repairs would cost more than the motor. Suggested that the electrical pump be replaced. All committee members were advised of this and all agreed per phone that a replacement pump be sought. A pump from Goods Direct was sourced and it was agreed that this is to be purchased.

Resolved. The committee ratified this decision. The replacement pump has been installed and is better than the original.

Salmon Morts- Bells Pond. MPI advise that the deaths were not caused by any Bacteria or viral diseases. They agree with our assessment that expired fish food may have been responsible. There have been previous instances of this having occurred.

Observations. Since food was suspected, the food being used was replaced with larger fresh fish food. The deaths after a week of the change showed an immediate reduction in the deaths. There have been no new deaths since the new year. The surviving fish are doing well and actively feeding.

Resolved. All suspect fish food to be removed from Bells Pond.

Bossman Engineering estimate.

Resolved. Forward reply acknowledging receipt and our disappointment in the estimate cost as it was way above what we had anticipated. As Ecan has not certified this system and seem unlikely to do so in the immediate future there is not much we can do at this time.

Receipt from S Koevoet for Deposit of \$290 cash in hand dated the 31/12/22.

Sue went to deposit the cash in hand (\$290) in our Kiwibank now account. The bank refused to accept the cash deposit. She then deposited the money into her personal account and transferred the money to our now account.

Enquiries with the bank reveal that only Signatories to the account can deposit cash into the bank account. This is principally directed and anti money laundering tactics. Kiwibank recommends that if for any reason a signatory cannot personally bank cash into the account that the cash be deposited into a personal account then transferred to the Kiwibank account as what happened. Need to keep the paper trail for transparency.

Service of Ecosense ODO200.

The volunteers looking after welcome stream advise that a fault has developed with the oxygen sensor. It is now malfunctioning and will not work referring the item for service by Authorised service agent. Enquiries have been made for an authorised service agent and a possibility has been found but the quote price of service is \$240 plus GST per hour plus the cost of replacement parts.

Resolved that Lynn McGregor be contacted as he forwarded this item for service some time in the past. The question was asked what does the item cost and should we not look at a replacement item.

Fish food order. Linn advises that he has placed an order of fish food with BioMar. This was for 1 bag Inico Plus 00; 2 bags Inico plus <0.3mm; 3 bags Inico plus 0.5mm; 3 bags of Inico quinnat 0.8mm; 10 bags of Quinnat 2.0mm; 20 bags Efico Genio 4mm; 25 Bags of Efico Genio 9mm. Approx value \$8,800.

Bells Pond.

Trevor is the duty member for January. Advises that there have been no unexplained morts in the new raceway. 2 dead R3YO located. 1 about 6-7lb and the other 12 -13lb. This big one committed suicide as it jumped out of the raceway. Appears that it jumped through the wire barrier which broke to plastic ties on impact big dent visible in wire.

The raceway was vacuumed today and the new section of clear pipe should have been thought about ten years ago. There still is a problem with the new pipe folding when doing the old raceway. Having the pump some distance from the edge of the raceway relieves some of the problem. The clear pipe needs some reinforcing at the point where it attaches to the pump.

Les Suggests making a coil spring with no 8 wire and this is attached to the pipe by means of pipe clamps. The clear pipe has air leaks at the join to the Blue hose. These need to be closed off.

Resolved. Trevor to see what can be done to the vacuum pipe.

The aerial for the Autodialler at bells pont needs relacing . Alarm system temporarily not working. Due to rust. This has been bought and needs installing.

The Waimate team is unable to do raceway duty due to injury to member, They will be able to undertake duty in March. Linn will cover duty at PB for February.

Noel reported that the water intake into the Raceway system appears to be going down in volume. The freeing up of the screw gate control and the opening of the gate valve resulted and a heap of debris and a large ball of foam being ejected from the intake. It appears that the intake had been blocked by debris stuck at the gate valve, when the pipe was broken by a digger. Flow rate has been increased to 3000 litres per minute.

The 48 wild salmon smolt that where trapped by electric fishing by Fish and game have all survived the translocation and all have been fin clipped and transported by fish transporter to Bells Pond. These have been placed in the R1YO section in the main raceway. Alan asks the question , does the supply of wild smolt by Fish and Game, show that Fish and Game do not support our broodstock programme. (a) No it supplements our brood stock programme by providing fresh genetic input.

With the change of ownership at Welcome stream, We have to insure against a similar thing occuring at Bells Pond on the terrace farm. We have too much value in assetts that can be lost without the placement of a easement protcting our use. Alister fully supports us and while he is alive and owns the farm we are safe. To protect our interests we need to engage the services of a

surveyor, and also contact Alisters Farm /personal solicitor to arrange an easement of the site while we are an active identity. The easement would be subject to solicitors agreement the same as that which we have on Willow Creek Farm. Envisaged that an application for Funding from the Meridian community Trust be made to cover the costs of the surveyor and solicitor, and associated documentation.

Resolved. Trevor to contact a surveyor and ascertain possible costs.

Resolved Linn to communicate with Alister and his solicitor in setting up the easement.

Welcome stream. Linn advises that Mike, Peter and Bill have ben looking after the system. The fish are doing very well. A dead fish was located which weighed 33 grammes. Called average weight. The raceway is not clogging up with slime as it has in past years. Thought that this has to do with the increased number of fish in the raceway. The weed growth in Welcome stream is the worst it has been . The whole creek is closed over. The water depth in the raceway is approx 1meter (1.3m Maximum depth).

The water tank has arrived and it attached to the water system. We now have 60,000 litre capacity. The water pump has been turned off as no water is required within the shed. The alarm system has been disabled by disconnecting the battery. This has been done to prevent the alarm system from activating because of pump failure. Not having the alarm system active has no detrimental effect.

Once this seasons fish feeding has been completed we will have to evaluate the remaining fish food expiry dates.

Firewood. A working bee was held 28th and 29th, five different members each day. The wood splitter operated for 4.25hrs in total and all rings split. There remains about 10 tons of logs for processing. Orders are coming in. Possibly 4-\$5000 of split firewood available.

AGM. Will be held on the 28th March 2023. 7.30pm.

Resolved. Linn to book hall.

Resolved. Linn to place add in Waimate Trader at the appropriate time.

Resolved Linn to contact Oceania Dairy to see if a guest speaker can be obtained.

Certificate of appreciation. It is suggested that a Framed certificate of appreciation be presented to Paul and Sarah Smith for all that they have done to support our organisation. They have been involved with our organisations from birth it was just a discussion over a beer.

Resolved Linn to obtain something suitable for authorisation.

Disolution of the Lower Waitaki River Management Society Inc.

Linn advised that he has been approached to seek assistance in Obtaining the names of persons who will support an aplication for a Special General Meeting calling for a notice of motion seeking the disolution of the said Society. A minumum of ten signatores are required and the LWRMSInc will pay the \$2.00 membership fee. A general discussion occurred Those present thought it was a strange request. Reminded that we were requested to assist in the same vein for the dissolution of the Glenavy-Waitaki Bridge Salmon Fishing Association . Which we assisted.

Resolved. Our organisation as a group would not assist in this request, but individuals could if they wished.

Next meeting 7th March at same place same time.

There being no further business the meeting was **declared closed 9.15pm.**

