

**MINUTES OF THE HAWKE'S BAY FISH AND GAME COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE GAME FARM ON TUESDAY 7 JUNE 2022 AT 6:00PM**

PRESENT:

Councillors Bates (Chairman), Lumsden, MacKay, Melville, Slavin (Blair), Slavin (Callum)
and Williams

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chris Newton (Interim Regional Manager), Sam Robinson (Governance Advisor)

1 Welcome (6.00 PM)

Cr. Bates welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed those in attendance that the meeting would be audio-recorded.

2 Apologies

Apologies received from Jeff Niblett

3 Minutes of the previous meetings (April and May 2022)

3.1 That having previously been circulated to members, the minutes of the meetings of the Hawke's Bay Fish and Game Council held on the 5 April and 16 May 2022 are a true and accurate record.

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4 Matters Arising

A discussion was held regarding the Interim Managers Contract.
It was proposed that this be agreed to by the Council and that Chris Newton be appointed as Interim Manager.
Melville/Lumsden

5 General Business

There was a discussion regarding the flow of information coming from the NZ Council.
The Chairman undertook to discuss this with H/Bay's Rep on the NZC

6 Conflict of Interest Register

The conflict-of-interest register was passed around and no conflicts were registered

10 Health & Safety Report

Cr. Slavin noted that he had researched issues relating to H&S.

A discussion noted that further aspects should be included in the report to Council.

These are to include.

- Any near misses.

Analysis of the more dangerous activities

That Council accepts the health and safety report

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8 Fish & Game Proposed Amalgamation Discussion

Following discussions, it was agreed that H/Bay F&G would proceed to organise a joint meeting with Councillors from Wellington and Taranaki. The Interim Manager will have discussions with the Managers from Wellington and Taranaki with a view to formulating an agenda for the joint meeting.

It was also proposed and agreed that following this joint meeting H/Bay F&G could also meet with Eastern F&G to consider options.

11 Development of the 2022/23 OPERATIONAL WORK PLAN

It was noted that the OWP in its current form was a somewhat cumbersome document.

The Manager suggested to Council that he undertakes a Prioritising Exercise on it to ensure that we have the right focus in the right areas.

This was agreed to by Council.

12 2022 23 Proposed Licence Fee Increase

There was considerable discussion on this matter.

The Council voted to advise the following to NZ Council.

- There be no increase in the 2022/23 Licence fee.
- Council supported the increase in the Non-Resident fee to \$250.00
- That the Council would not be moving to establish designated waters at this stage.

Cr. Lumsden wanted it noted that he was opposed to the no increase in fees.

13 2022/2023 Anglers Notice

Following discussion of a few options it was agreed that the Status Quo should be maintained.

Council did ask staff to provide further data regarding the Maraetotara Stream and that staff respond to the writer of the report on this stream.

14.1 Operations Report

The Operations Report was taken as read and there were no queries arising.

14.2 Finance Report

That the payments for March and April 2022 totalling \$51,638.44 be approved.

March 2022	\$25,827.69
April 2022	\$25,810.75
Total	\$51,638.44

That the Finance Report be accepted for the 2 months ended 30 April 2022.


Melville/Mackay

14.3 LICENCE SALES REPORT

The Licence Sales Report was noted.

16 Meeting closes

Signed:

 Chairman

Date 16 August 2022