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5. *MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MARCH MINUTES/ ACTION REQUIRED SCHEDULE*

It was agreed to progress Iwi relationship development and the Sports Fish and Game Management Plan and use funds from our reserves since the contestable fund application for this work was not successful.

6. *HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT*

The Health & Safety Report was tabled and accepted. Moved J Willis/G Gardiner

7. *ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.*

C3/05/23 MOVE THAT THE MARCH AND APRIL 2023 ACCOUNTS FOR
PAYMENT TOTALLING \$230,068.31 BE CONFIRMED FOR PAYMENT
T Kroos/D Haynes
CARRIED

The Financial report was tabled and noted.

8. *FISH COMMITTEE REPORT.*

Minutes from the Fish Committee meeting held on 23 May were tabled and recommendations considered.

Recommendation 1. – That the Nelson Marlborough Fish & Game Council designate the Travers, Upper Wairau, Wangapeka, Matakītaki, and D’Urville Rivers as designated waters for the 2023/24 angling season. Moved G Gardiner/J Willis Carried

Recommendation 2. – That the Nelson Marlborough Fish & Game Council re-instate the winter fishing boundary for the Conway River to the SH 1 Bridge. Moved J Willis/G Gardiner Carried

Recommendation 3. - That the Nelson Marlborough Fish & Game Council re-instate the winter fishing boundary for the Wairau salmon fishery stopping at the Wash Bridge on the Wairau River. Moved G Gardiner/N King Carried

Recommendation 4. – That the Nelson Marlborough Fish & Game Council change the Taylor River junior fishery to become a family/whanau fishery. Moved G Gardiner/B Cash Carried

9. *LICENCE FEE RECOMMENDATION 2023-24.*

C4/05/23 MOVE THAT THIS COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE NZC
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 23-24 LICENCE FEES AND THE
NEW LICENCE CATEGORY CALLED A DESIGNATED WATERS
LICENCE.
T Kroos/G Gardiner
CARRIED

10. *DRAFT NATIONAL RESERVES POLICY.*

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After discussion it was resolved that the percentages of reserves to be held of 20% minimum was too low to be an adequate financial buffer for the small to medium sized regions especially if we experience another global disruption in future which stops international travel to the extent the emergence of Covid 19 did.

C5/05/23 MOVE THAT THIS COUNCIL PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO
THE CURRENT POLICY RECOMMENDING THAT THE MINIMUM
REGIONAL RESERVES BE INCREASED TO 25% FROM 20% TO BE
ACHIEVED INCREMENTALLY OVER THE NEXT 3 YEARS.

T Kroos/D Haynes
CARRIED

11. DRAFT REMUNERATION POLICY.

C6/05/23 MOVE THAT THIS COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE DRAFT
REMUNERATION POLICY AS SENT OUT TO REGIONS FOR
CONSIDERATION

D Haynes/B Cash
CARRIED

12. RESIDENT/NON-RESIDENT DEFINITION.

C7/05/23 MOVE THAT THIS COUNCIL SUPPORTS AMENDING THE
DEFINITION OF RESIDENT AND NON-RESIDENT TO ALIGN WITH
THE IMMIGRATION ACT AND DoC TAUPO.

F Borenstein /T Kroos
CARRIED

13. OPERATIONAL WORK PLAN REPORT.

The manager expanded on items in the report when asked.

14. DOC LIAISON.

Chris Golding tendered his apologies but give a brief update via email which FO Lucas read out.

- 1080 drop in the National Park has been delayed and will now be later in the fishing season unfortunately.
- NZDA in conjunction with the DOC will be running a goat competition August to late November.

15. CHAIR REPORT

- The chair reported that he had attended by zoom the monthly chairs meeting, discussion is mainly around the review.
- With the support of the Council the chair asked the manager to draft a letter for his signature to all chairs asking their Councils to support increasing the future price of the annual whole season gamebird licence in NZ so that the licence is in parity with

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gamebird management output costs, and look at the introduction of a non-resident gamebird licence.

- Councillor Willis attended the chairs zoom meeting on behalf of the chair for the NZC and Chairs workshop for the 23-24 budget and contestable fund applications, Councillor Willis reported that he found the process to be less than satisfactory with no opportunity to discuss regions CF applications. After discussion it was agreed that there were no clear terms of reference for this meeting and for future meetings of this type there needs to be clarity on what the role is for the chairs.

16. NZ COUNCIL REPORT

The written update on the NZC Meeting 162 was noted.

17. CORRESPONDENCE

Late correspondence from Marlborough Research Centre was tabled for information. The letter outlined a rent increase of 50% for the Blenheim Field Office, it was noted that this will have an effect on our budget for the rest of this year and next year, and consideration should be given to looking for alternative accommodation in Blenheim.

18. GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillor Kroos put the question to Council are sub committees still necessary? It was agreed that at this time if there was not a lot on the sub committee's agenda and business could be done via email then that would be sufficient, a good example of when the subcommittee should meet was the designated water issue.

MEETING CLOSED 2.30 pm

Chair *O. J. Baigent* Dated 11 - 7 - 23 2023