### CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of Central South Island Fish and Game Council held in the Boardroom, 32 Richard Pearse Drive, Temuka, on Wednesday 14 November 2018 at 8:00 pm.

Present:

S Bannister

M Hall

A Brooks

D Isbister

P Centofanti D de Joux L Koevoet C McKenzie

C Fulton

A Simpson

S Gerard

### In Attendance:

Staff: J Graybill (Chief Executive), B Dolan (Office Administrator), R Adams (Fish and Game Officer), H Stevens (Fish and Game Officer), and J Couper (Fish and Game Officer).

Members of Public: P Shutt, R Hobbs, P de Joux, C de Joux, R & R Clarke, J & J Manning and D Chambers.

# 18-053 APOLOGIES:

A Christensen, J Henry, B Growcott.

Jay Graybill, Chief Executive, called the meeting to order as specified in Standing Orders as this was the first meeting of the Council following a triennial Council election.

### 18-054 ELECTIONS AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

### 054.1 Election of Chairman

Chief Executive called for nominations for the position of Chairman.

M Hall

- Nominated D Isbister. (M Hall declined the nomination).

D de Joux

- Nominated Hall/Brooks

No further nominations for Chairman were forthcoming. D de Joux was <u>declared</u> elected to the position of Chairman unopposed and assumed the Chair.

### 054.2 Election of NZ Fish and Game Council Appointee

Nominations were called for the position of NZC appointee.

P Centofanti

- Nominated Gerard/Bannister

D Isbister

- Nominated Hall/Koevoet

The two nominees were invited to address the Council on what they felt they could bring to the role of the NZC appointee. Councillors were also invited to ask nominees questions. Both nominees spoke on their reasons for accepting the nomination.

L Koevoet queried P Centofanti if he was known by any other name in any other forum?

P Centofanti replied that he is not. L Koevoet requested this response be recorded.



C Fulton queried D Isbister on what he could bring to the role and hoped to achieve? D Isbister explained the role of an NZC Councillor was to take an overall view in the interests of fishing and hunting and not necessarily a regional view.

Chief Executive clarified that the role of a NZC appointee is to consider topics at a national level and make decisions in terms of the best national interest. M Hall added that NZC operates under its own piece of legislation.

The vote was put and by a show of hands:

- P Centofanti

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- D Isbister

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with 2 abstentions.

Chairman <u>declared</u> D Isbister elected as CSI appointee to the NZ Council.

### 054.3 Election of Executive Committee

Nominations were called for the Executive Committee.

A Brooks

- Nominated Gerard/McKenzie

S Gerard

- Nominated Centofanti/Simpson

M Hall

- Nominated Brooks/de Joux

L Koevoet

- Nominated Isbister/Brooks

D de Joux

as Chairman ex officio.

The five members nominated were <u>declared</u> elected to the Executive Committee.

### 054.4 Salmon By-Catch Committee

Nominations were called for the Salmon By-Catch Committee

L Koevoet

- Nominated de Joux/Hall.

Upon the call for further nominations none were forthcoming. L Koevoet was <u>declared</u> elected to the Salmon By-Catch Committee.

It was **AGREED** that M Webb continue as staff representative.

# 18-055 COUNCILLOR INTEREST REGISTER:

It was noted that this will arise later on the agenda.

### **18-056 HEALTH & SAFETY:**

Chief Executive pointed out exit points of the building and assembly points for evacuation of the premises.

### 18-057 NOTIFIED GENERAL BUSINESS:

56.1 RDR (S Gerard).

### 18-058 AUTHENTICATED AND SIGNED MINUTES – 18 October 2018.

Chief Executive explained that in accordance with Standing Order 3.12.5 the minutes of the last meeting of Council in October 2018 have been authenticated and signed by the Chairman of that Council meeting.



### 18-059 MATTER'S ARISING FROM MINUTES – 18 October 2018:

### 059.1 RWL Fish Trial Report (SG)

S Gerard queried the status and use of the RWL fish trial report. Chief Executive clarified that as a scientific report it stands on its own. The results describe the conditions that existed at the time and that the limitations of the trial are clearly identified in the report.

A Simpson noted that Council should only be looking at accuracy of the minutes under 'matters arising' and that it was not appropriate to discuss the content of a particular report.

### 059.2 Bowyers Stream

Councillors queried the status and process for the Bowyers Stream case. Chief Executive advised it was a matter before the court and that we were awaiting notification of the next court fixture. He agreed to provide the briefing paper that went to the October meeting of the CSI Council.

## 18-060 BUDGET AND FINANCE:

060.1 Financial Reports & Expense Listing

Resolved (Simpson/Centofanti)

18-048

THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND RATIFIES THE EXPENSE LISTING FOR OCTOBER 2018 IN THE GST INCLUSIVE AMOUNT OF \$80,136.03.

## 18-061 PUBLIC ISSUES FORUM:

P de Joux, on behalf of the Salmon Anglers Association, congratulated the new Councillors and came to this meeting to show support. He also expressed concern at comments made by B Whipp in the October 2018 minutes and indicated that he would take the issue up with B Whipp.

### 18-062 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT:

062.1 <u>Governance Presentation and Discussion</u> (9.2) Due to the late hour of the meeting it was:

### Resolved (Centofanti/Simpson)

18-049

THAT THE GOVERNANCE PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION BE DEFERRED TO THE NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL.

#### 062.2 Declaration of Interest Register (9.3)

Chief Executive asked that the Declaration of Interests forms be completed and returned. He advised that this will be kept as a record of CSI Councillor's interests.



### 18-063 OPERATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS:

063.1 Activity Reports & Operations Reports (10.1)

Staff responded to general queries from Councillors related to topics in their activities reports that were provided for information.

At 10:35 pm and in accordance with Standing Order 1.3.4 it was:

## Resolved (Hall/Isbister)

18-050

THAT COUNCIL CONTINUE WITH THE AGENDA AND CONCLUDE THE MEETING AT 11 PM.

### **18-064 NOTIFIED GENERAL BUSINESS:**

064.1 RDR Appeal (SG)

S Gerard requested that points raised in his email to the Chief Executive on 7 November be discussed.

Chief Executive tabled responses to points raised by S Gerard that had been completed that day with input from legal counsel. He noted that Environment Court directed mediation was due to begin the following week. The mediation process is confidential and by Environment Court Practice Note requires that parties attending mediation cooperate with other parties in good faith in attempting to settle the dispute or issues. He clarified that by being involved in mediation Council's expert witnesses were available to provide input on matters raised by angler appellants and that CSI's objectives for the health of the Rangitata are aligned with the objectives of other angler parties to the appeal.

He indicated that, based on legal advice, the responses to questions in the meeting agenda were provided to council members in their capacity as "councillors" and not as "appellants".

A Simpson pointed out that as it's a matter for mediation and that mediation is confidential then it is incorrect for Council to discuss.

S Gerard requested on behalf of the appeal group that Council makes clear the meaning of "100% exclusion".

Chief Executive indicated that the language used in CSI's legal submissions with regard to fish exclusion is the same as that used in the Rangitata WCO.

A Simpson again indicated that it is not relevant for Council to make a decision that would have no effect in mediation.

D Isbister suggested caution as some members of this Council are appellants and there could be conflicts of interest.

Some discussion ensued about size of fish to be used in trials and the Fish Screen Verification Management Plan.

Meeting closed: 11:18 pm.	
Next Council Meeting/Annual Public Mee	eting – a date in December is yet to be advised.
Signed Defor	Date

<u>Secretarial Note</u>:

Council Meeting and Annual Public Meeting has been confirmed to be 13 December 2018.