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**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT
THE SHED, 175 TAURANGA BAY ROAD, TAURANGA BAY, KAEO
3.00 pm Saturday 7 January 2023**

1. **Welcome** – the guests were welcomed by the Chair.
2. **Present** - Brian Putt, Jen Ritchie-Campbell, Casey Campbell, Dennis Morse, Doug Jane, Lynne Lucas, David Hayward, Glenda Hayward, Vicky Faautauta, Lesley Baigent (Kiwi Coast), Helen Chong, Maxine Dignan, Bob Hayward, Derek McKinstry, Dale Turkington, Gerlinde Haase, Philip Shepherd, Lyndon Hurst (Trapper), David Fox, Bridget Richwhite, Topher Richwhite, Juliet McArthur, Colin McArthur, Jo Leather
3. **Apologies** received from –
Mary-Anne Schaab, Nev and Marj Cox, Kate Casey and Peter Beran, Eljon and Frances Fitzgerald, Rodger and Vickie Corbin
4. **Minutes of 2022 AGM** – the Minutes had been pre-circulated. The Minutes were confirmed – Moved Casey/Lynne – Carried
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes** – there were no matters arising from the 2022 AGM Minutes.
6. **Chairperson's Address** – a copy of the address was pre-circulated with the Notice of Meeting and copies were also available at the meeting. Brian spoke to the key points of his report. It was moved Brian/Phil that the report be received. There were no matters arising.
7. **Financial Report** – Performance Report presented by the Treasurer. Jen provided a summary of the year's financial undertakings and explained in detail the performance report contents. Financial position confirms funding to maintain the current level of trapping activity for a further 24 months. Copies of the Financial Reports and the Performance Report were circulated with the agenda notice. Copies were also available at the meeting. It was moved Jen/Glenda that the Financial Report and Performance Report be received. There were no matters arising from the reports.
8. **Trapping Report** - Lyndon Hurst, the MRHLCG authorised trapper, presented his Annual Report and spent time explaining his work patterns and the extent of the Landcare area he includes in his trapping cycle. Lyndon answered questions arising, particularly in relation to the Mahinepua Peninsula. It was moved Brian/Phil that the Trapper's Report be received. Carried.
9. **Funding Update** – Jo provided information on funding opportunities over the next two years noting that our trapping expenses will be covered by existing financial resources for the next 18 months. Jo provided a breakdown on the changes needed for funding applications now that the North Island brown kiwi is no longer regarded as endangered.

Jo also described how the presence of other endangered fauna and flora in the Landcare area can be used for funding application purposes where our members are making considerable effort towards achieving sustainable protection of those endangered species. Moved Brian – seconded by Lynne that the funding information be received.

10. **Voluntary Hours for 2022** – the voluntary hours record attached to the Chairperson’s Report was discussed. Casey described how he had assembled the information and how valuable it would be for funding applications. It was noted how the increased participation in voluntary hours had provided great encouragement. The Committee looks forward to members volunteering to take out specific tasks and responsibilities during 2023.

11. **Election of Officers**

Chairperson – Brian Putt
Administrator/Secretary – vacant
Treasurer – Jen Ritchie-Campbell
Committee Jo Leather
Lynne Lucas
Mary-Anne Schaab
Phil Shepherd

These volunteer members for the Officer and Committee positions within MRHLGC were declared elected – moved Casey/Glenda – carried.

12. **Annual Subscription Fee** – it was decided that the subscription fee should remain the same (\$60.00 per member, \$20.00 per friend). Moved Jen – seconded Colin – carried.
13. **Adoption of new Constitution** – the draft Constitution had been circulated online and there were copies available at the meeting. There was some discussion about minor changes, and it was decided that the matters highlighted, in particular Committee membership maxima, will be left in the Committee’s hands to determine. It was moved Jo/Vicky that the draft new Constitution be adopted – carried.

14. **General Business**

Extending the boundaries of the rohe – a general discussion on this matter showed complete support for expanding the boundaries of the Mahinepua Radar Hill Landcare Group Incorporated to take in land between the current western boundary and Whangaroa Harbour edge at Tauranga Bay and to examine a further southward expansion to be discussed and determined with Eljon Fitzgerald. It was moved by Jo – seconded by Glenda that the Committee be authorized to examine the extension of the area of influence of the group – carried.

The meeting concluded at 4.30 pm. Refreshments and snacks were then available allowing members to meet and mingle for the next hour.

Signed: *(Physical copy signed)*

Chair