

**Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting
of Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group**

Thursday August 12th 2021
455 North Maleny Rd, Maleny

The meeting commenced at 6.20pm

Peter Stevens - Chair

0139.1 Welcome and Apologies

Attendance: Peter Stevens President Sally Watter Committee Member
Bob Philpot Vice President Luke Ferguson Project Manager
Steven Lang Secretary Mark Amos Manager
Heather Spring Treasurer Matt Bateman Project Manager

Apologies: Keith Schelberg

0139.2 Minutes of the last Management Committee Meeting of LBCCG, held on Thursday July 8th 2021

Motion: *That the Minutes of the previous meeting, as circulated, be accepted*

Moved: Steven Lang

Seconded: Peter Stevens

CARRIED

0139.2.1 Business arising from minutes - nil

0139.3 Correspondence

Correspondence tabled (see Attachment1: Correspondence)

Motion: *That the Correspondence inwards and Correspondence outwards be endorsed*

Moved: Steven Lang

Seconded: Heather Spring

CARRIED

0139.3.1 Business arising from Correspondence - nil

0139.4 Treasurer's Report

Motion: *That the Treasurer's Report as presented be received*

Moved: Heather Spring

Seconded: Bob Philpot

CARRIED

0139.4.1 Payment Schedule July 2021

Motion: *That the Treasurer's Payment Schedule for July be endorsed*

Moved: Heather Spring

Seconded: Steven Lang

CARRIED

0139.4.2 Internet Banking Authority for Payment and Transfers

Motion: *The following business to be added to the approved external transfer list at Bank of Queensland*

Norco Rural

Moved: Heather Spring

Seconded: Bob Philpot

CARRIED

0139.4.3 Strategic Planning Meeting Update

Nothing planned as yet.

0139.4.4 Business Arising from Treasurer's Report - nil

0139.6 Reports

0139.6.1 Project Manager – Matt Bateman

0139.6.2 Project Manager – Luke Ferguson

0139.6.3 Manager – Mark Amos

Motion: *That the reports be accepted*

Moved: Steven Lang

Seconded: Heather Spring

CARRIED

0139.7 General Business

0139.7.1 Work Health and Safety Report

No incidents to report

0139.7.2 Ferriday Contribution Agreement

Ten hectares of the Ferriday property was purchased by Seqwater in 2019. The land parcel adjoins the previously purchased Eden Road property and suffers from landslips contributing sediment being deposited in nearby Lake Baroon. LBCCG has been engaged by Seqwater to remediate the property.

Motion: *That the Ferriday Contribution Agreement be signed.*

Moved Peter Stevens

Seconded Heather Spring

CARRIED

0139.7.3 Hopper's Dairy Effluent Management System update

One quote for the construction of an effluent pond has been received with another pending. Once received, a meeting will be called to determine the process going forward.

0139.7.4 On Ground Chargeback Policy

The new On-ground Charge Back policy is designed to recover costs where LBCCG staff perform project work where a contractor would normally be engaged but are not available or the volume of work is not sufficient to engage a contractor (cost-effective). The policy is not intended to replace any work performed by contractors and is expected to be minor. Recouped project funds will be transferred to LBCCG administration and not to the project manager concerned.

Motion: *That the On-Ground Chargeback Policy be accepted*

Moved Heather Spring
Seconded Bob Philpot

CARRIED

0139.7.5 Upper Falls Creek Riparian Fencing and Revegetation Stage 3 (Warner) Project Plan be approval.

Upper Falls Creek Riparian Fencing & Revegetation, Stage 3, will be implemented in a high priority area, owned by Phil Warner, located in the head waters of Falls Creek. The project focuses on the revegetation of a tributary of Falls Creek and continues on from riparian fencing, off-stream watering and revegetation completed in Stages 1 & 2 (2019-21) on the property.

The installation of riparian fencing, Stage 1, and off-stream watering undertaken in Stage 2, allows the landholder to manage livestock in the riparian zone. The exclusion of livestock from the riparian zone, enables the revegetation of the riparian zone of the tributary of Falls Creek and will result in a vegetation buffer and wildlife habitat sanctuary of over 1 hectare along the creek.

Revegetation combined with riparian fencing and an off-stream watering system will provide the best reduction of risk to water quality. Healthy, vegetated riparian buffers assist in the filtering of runoff, contaminated with nutrients and pathogens, before it enters Falls Creek.

The Warner property was identified as a high priority property in the 2021-26 Implementation Plan for the Lake Baroon catchment, based on its distance to Baroon Pocket Dam off take tower, land use, riparian health, readiness to implement projects and the likelihood of gaining additional funding. The Falls Creek catchment is characterised by relatively un-intensive beef grazing, considerable areas of rural residential and minimal vegetation, particularly along the watercourses. Historically the upper Falls Creek catchment supported dairy grazing which, along with the rural residential areas, likely yielded poor water quality results - high levels of nutrients (and likely pathogens).

Motion: *That the Upper Falls Creek Riparian Fencing and Revegetation Stage 3 (Warner) Project Plan be accepted.*

Moved Heather Spring
Seconded Sally Watter

CARRIED

0139.7.6 Conflict of interest declaration

Luke declared a possible conflict of interest to the effect that he is currently agisting cattle within the catchment and is currently performing contract spraying on several properties both within and outside the catchment. LBCCG has no current projects on these properties and there is no intention to do so in the near future. The Committee noted that neither of these activities presented any conflict.

0139.7.7 Staff leave during COVID

