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

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Working with our community...for our waterways

Thursday February 13th, 2025
455 North Maleny Rd, Maleny

The meeting commenced at 3.05 pm
Peter Stevens - Chair

0168.1 **Welcome and Apologies**

Attendance:

Peter Stevens	President	Rod Johnson	Manager
Peter Pamment	Treasurer	Mark Amos	Project Development
Steven Lang	Secretary	Luke Ferguson	Project Planner
Marek Malter	Committee Member	Paul Mackay	Project Officer
Steve Skull	Committee Member	Ivan Cafarella	Project Officer
Keith Schelberg	Member	Ellen Dickinson	Guest

Apologies: Heather Spring, Tom Davison, Andrew Powell, Bob Philpot, Tim Odgers, Winston Johnston

0168.2 **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

It is now a requirement to declare any conflicts of interest before commencing the meeting. Perceived conflicts of interest must be recorded in the Minutes of the meeting and those affected must abstain from the relevant discussions.

0168.3 **Minutes of the last Management Committee Meeting of LBCCG, held on Thursday 14th November 2024**

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

Moved: Peter Pamment
Seconded: Steven Lang **CARRIED**

0168.3.1 **Business arising from minutes -**

Rod gave an update on Staff Positions and Contracts. Amended position descriptions and employment contracts for relevant staff will be provided to Peter Stevens for consideration and approval.

Rod and Mark requested clarification of terminology used in item 0167.5.5 in relation to the use of 'signatory' rather than the more correct 'signing officer'.

Motion: ***That 'signatory' in the previous minutes 0167.5.5, be changed to 'Signing Officer'***

Moved: Peter Pamment
Seconded: Steve Skull **CARRIED**

0168.4 **Correspondence**

Correspondence tabled (see Attachment1: Correspondence)

Motion: ***That the Correspondence inwards be accepted and Correspondence outwards for November and December 2024 and January 2025be endorsed***

Moved: Peter Stevens
Seconded: Steve Skull **CARRIED**

0168.4.1 Business arising from Correspondence - Nil

0168.5 Treasurer's Report

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

Moved: Peter Pamment CARRRIED
Seconded: Steven Lang

Motion: ***That the Treasurer's Payment Schedules for November and December 2024 and January 2025 be endorsed***

Moved: Peter Pamment **CARRIED**
Seconded Marek Malter

0168.5.2 Business Arising from Treasurer's Report - Nil

0168.5.3 Project Progress Report

0168.6 Priority Business

0168.7 Reports

0168.7.1 Luke Ferguson – Project Planner

Motion: **That the staff reports be accepted**

Moved: Steven Lang
Seconded Steve Skull **CARRIED**

0168.8 General Business

0168.8.1 Work Health and Safety Report –
No incidents reported

0168.8.2 Ellen Dickson – GIS Contractor Presentation

0168.8.3 CBP 2425-027 Obi Obi Creek Stage 2 (Sayer) Project Plan

Sayer – Obi Obi Creek, Stage 2, will be implemented in a moderate priority area, that delivers very high volumes of nutrients, sediment and faecal material (E.coli and pathogens) to Obi Obi Creek and ultimately Baroon Pocket Dam. Travis Sayer owns a 13ha property at the head of the Obi Obi Creek catchment. The property is currently running between 15 to 20 head of cattle and has 300 metres of frontage to Obi Obi Creek. This project is the second stage of a multi-stage project. Stage 1, delivered in 2023/24 focused on the installation of riparian fencing to exclude and manage livestock grazing in the riparian zones along Obi Obi Creek, on the Sayer property. Stage 2, will involve the installation of an off-stream watering system, that will remove the need for cattle to access Obi Obi Creek for water. This project was identified as a priority in the LBCCG Annual Work Plan 2024/25.

Motion: **That the CBP2425-027 Obi Obi Creek Stage 2 (Sayer) Project Plan be ratified**

Moved Steven Lang
Seconded Steve Skull **CARRIED**

0168.8.4 CBP 2425-028 Arley Creek (Ruddle) Project Plan

The *Ruddle - Arley Creek* project will be implemented on a very high priority property and aims to reduce pathogens, nutrients and sediment delivered to Arley Creek and Baroon Pocket Dam (*2021-26 Implementation Plan* for the *Lake Baroon catchment)*. The project continues from the completed successful 2018/19 Dairy Program with further fencing of riparian zones and provision of off-stream watering. This will significantly reduce livestock grazing in the riparian zone and provide a buffer to overland flow transporting pathogens, nutrients and sediment.

The Arley Creek sub-catchment is 135 hectares in size with intensive dairying (Ruddle Dairies) the dominant land use (72 ha) followed by beef grazing (49 ha). The remainder of the sub-catchment supports rural residential (12 ha) and horticulture (2 ha). The Ruddle property was prioritized as very high priority for works in the Implementation Plan due to land use (dairying), size (72 ha), herd size (250 milkers plus dry cows, calves etc) and significantly, John Ruddle's willingness to implement water quality projects.

Motion: **That the 2425-028 Arley Creek (Ruddle) Project Plan be ratified**

Moved Steve Skull
Seconded Peter Pamment **CARRIED**

0168.8.5 Landcare Conference 21-24 September 2025 Gold Coast
Peter Stevens proposed that some staff might attend the Conference and perhaps present. Rod to advise Peter Stevens about those staff interested in attending, with a proposal to be put forward at the next meeting for consideration by the committee.

0168.8.6 History of LBCCG – Elaine Green Proposal

Motion ***The Committee employ Elaine Ricketts to write a history of the Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group, approving a budget of a total of $25000, including graphic design and printing***

Moved Steven Lang
Seconded Peter Stevens **CARRIED**

The formation of a subcommittee to liaise with Elaine Ricketts was discussed

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0168.8.7 Committee absences for upcoming meetings

Marek away in April
Steve Skull and Peter away in June

0168.8.8 Other Business

The meeting closed at 5.30pm

The next meeting will be held on the 13th of March 2024

Confirmed this day of 2024

Signature of the Chair: