

# Minutes

## Beauly District Fishery Board

Project: Annual Meeting of Qualified Proprietors

Venue: Lovat Arms Hotel, Beauly

Date: 6 June 2013

Present: J Miller (Chair), N McAndrew (Glass Syndicate), M Spencer-Nairn (Struy),  
F Spencer-Nairn (Culligran), M Fraser (Lovat Highland Estates),

In Attendance: K Williams (Ness and Beauly Fisheries Trust), A Campbell (Clerk)

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Description	Action
<p><b>1 Apologies</b></p>	
<p>1.1 Apologies were received from Michael Bennett, Suzie Swift, Christopher Pease and Jane Whitbread</p>	
<p><b>2 Minutes of Meeting of Qualified Proprietors 7 June 2012</b></p>	
<p>2.1 The Minutes of the Meeting of Qualified Proprietors held on 7 June 2012 were approved as an accurate record.</p>	
<p><b>3 Matters Arising</b></p>	
<p>3.1 There were no matters arising.</p>	
<p><b>4 Chairman's Annual Report</b></p>	
<p>4.1 Copies of the Chairman's Annual Report had been circulated to proprietors prior to the meeting.</p>	
<p>4.2 The Chairman commented that fish pass counter figures from SSE indicated that a greater number of fish had reached the Upper parts of the system than in 2011 and from that perspective, 2012 had been a good year.</p>	
<p>4.3 Frank Spencer-Nairn reported that the total catch figures previously provided to the Board for Culligran had been slightly incorrect and that the correct total was 128 Salmon.</p>	
<p><b>5 Accounts Year Ending 31 December 2012</b></p>	
<p>5.1 The audited accounts for the year to 31 December 2012 had been circulated to proprietors prior to the meeting. It was noted that the accounts showed a Net Surplus of £3,369.41 for the year.</p>	
<p>5.2 Following a query concerning the reporting of bailiff costs met by individual proprietors, but attributable to the District Fishery Board (shown on page 4 of the annual accounts), it was confirmed that the costs reported by the Lower Beauly Fishing Syndicate and the River Glass Syndicate were an</p>	

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estimate of the actual or in-kind contribution made by these Syndicates towards the cost of the bailiffs and anti poaching measures. The Chairman confirmed that it is important these costs are identified to be able to demonstrate that the Board is meeting its obligation to prevent poaching and protect salmon and sea trout populations, albeit that this was being done by proxy.

**5.3** The Annual Accounts were approved by those present and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Board.

**6 Date of Next Meeting**

**6.1** It was agreed that the next Annual Meeting of Qualified Proprietors should take place on 5 June 2014 at 11am.

Clerk

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