

# Minutes

## **Beauly District Fishery Board**

Project: Annual Meeting of Qualified Proprietors

Venue: Lovat Arms Hotel

Our ref:

Date: 30 June 2015

Present: J Miller; F Spencer-Nairn; M Spencer-Nairn; J Whitbread; G Purdie

In attendance: N Barker & C Conroy (Ness & Beauly Fishery Trust); P Pacey (Beauly Angling Club); A Campbell (Clerk)

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Description	Action
<b>1 Apologies</b>	
1.1 Apologies were received from the following proprietors: R Kwint (R Glass); Beaufort Enterprise SA (R. Glass); Lovat Highland Estate Ltd – (Balblair & Middle Beauly).	
<b>2 Minutes of Meeting of Qualified Proprietors 5 June 2014</b>	
2.1 The minutes of the meeting of Qualified Proprietors held on 5 June 2014 were approved as an accurate record.	
<b>3 Matters Arising</b>	
3.1 None.	
<b>4 Tri-ennial Board Election</b>	
4.1 The Clerk outlined the rules for election of a new Board to be formed. Under the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 the triennial elections shall be held three years from the previous election, which took place in June 2012.	
4.2 In accordance with the terms of the Act, all members of the previous Board present offered their resignation.	
4.3 The Clerk confirmed that qualified proprietors entered on the valuation roll could stand for election. Representatives would be elected from amongst the upper proprietors and from amongst the lower proprietors.	
4.4 It was agreed by those qualified proprietors present that the new Board should comprise six members, to include a Chair and a co-opted representative of local anglers.	
4.5 The Clerk confirmed that there was only one lower proprietor entered on the valuation roll (Lovat Estate). No candidates had been proposed for election.	

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4.6 Proposed nominees for election from amongst the upper proprietors were confirmed as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Lady Jane Whitbread (Baltimore &amp; River Glass Syndicate)</li><li>– Jock Miller (mandatory, Beaully Fishing Syndicate)</li><li>– Frank Spencer-Nairn (Culligran)</li><li>– George Purdie (Glassburn)</li><li>– Michael Spencer-Nairn (Struy)</li></ul>	
4.7 The upper proprietors present voted unanimously in favour of electing the above nominees. The Clerk confirmed they were duly elected.	
4.8 The Clerk confirmed that an invitation had been sent to Beaully Angling Club to nominate a representative of local anglers for co-option to the Board. Paul Pacey confirmed that he had been duly nominated by the Club. It was unanimously agreed by those present to co-opt Paul Pacey to the Board.	
4.9 Jock Miller was proposed and unanimously approved as Chairman.	
4.10 It was confirmed that the first meeting of the new Board would take place immediately following the meeting of qualified proprietors.	
<b>5 Annual Report</b>	
5.1 Copies of the Board's Annual Report had been circulated to proprietors prior to the meeting and also placed on the Board's website.	
5.2 The Annual Report was accepted by those present.	
<b>6 Annual Accounts – Year Ending 31 December 2014</b>	
6.1 A draft set of accounts had been circulated to proprietors prior to the meeting.	
6.2 It was confirmed that the contribution to netting costs listed represented 50% of the net cost of the agreement with two netting stations in the Inner Moray Firth not to fish in 2015. This was a joint agreement with Ness DSFB.	
6.3 The Clerk confirmed that the anti-poaching costs had fallen as no payment had been made to Cromarty Firth DSFB as their patrol boat was out of action during 2014.	
6.4 The accounts were unanimously approved. The Clerk to arrange a final audited set of Accounts for publication.	Clerk
<b>7 Date of Next Meeting</b>	
7.1 It was proposed the next meeting of qualified proprietors be held on 28 June 2016.	Clerk