



SHIRE OF COOLGARDIE

MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING

2013/2014

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETINGS

Dear Elected Member

The next Annual Electors meetings of the Shire of Coolgardie will be held on Thursday 09 April 2015 at the Coolgardie Recreation Centre, Sylvester Street Coolgardie, commencing at 6.30pm.

Paul Webb
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Shire President, M.R Cullen declared the meeting open at 6.31pm and welcome fellow Councillors, visitors, and staff and thanked them for their attendance.

2.0 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1 PRESENT:

Shire President, M.R Cullen
Councillor, T Rathbone
Councillor, K Lindup
Councillor, S Botting

MEMBERS OF STAFF:

Chief Executive Officer, P Webb
Manager Recreation Services, J O'Brien
Manager Development Services, T Sargent
Manager Administration Services, R Evans
Manager Technical Services, R Connor
Manager Community Services, S Donkin
Minute Secretary, E McKay

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

Rose Mitchell
Tom Carr
Rob Waring
Harry Buckingham
Robin Wade

2.2 APOLOGIES:

Councillor, N Karafilis
Councillor, K Johnstone
Councillor, B Logan

2.3 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

NIL

3.0 MATTERS ARISING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

Rose Mitchell –

How is the Coolgardie Post Office Building progressing?

Shire President –

The Shire has currently received some Country Local Government Funding (CLGF) and taken out a loan to progress some works on the Post Office Building, a tender document should be drawn up in the coming months and how the best way forward to spend the money and what we can do to spend the rest of the loan money.

Rose Mitchell –

Is anything being done about the flooding at the bottom of Sylvester Street?

Chief Executive Officer –

The matter isn't currently on the 5 year forward plan. But in consideration of the next budget we will request from Council a drainage management study so we can find away forward.

Shire President -

If anyone has major concerns then to put it in writing.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: # 067/15

**MOVED: COUNCILLOR, T RATHBONE
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR, S BOTTING**

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors of Council 10 June 2014 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED 4/0

4.0 RECEIVING OF ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2014

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Annual Report for the Shire of Coolgardie for the period ending 30 June 2014 be endorsed.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: # 068/15

**MOVED: COUNCILLOR, T RATHBONE
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR, K LINDUP**

That the Annual Report for the Shire of Coolgardie for the period ending 30 June 2014 be endorsed.

CARRIED 4/0

5.0 OTHER BUSINESS

Rob Waring –

Why are these events not advertised? And why are they not in the Rambler?

Shire President –

The Shire has advertised these events; they were in the Kalgoorlie Miner, Shire Face book, and on notice boards, Council has monthly meetings anyone can attend these meetings and address there question to Council during public question time.

Rob Waring –

Why do we have outside crew using a leaf blower on street footpaths when the street footpaths haven't got anything on them? This is a total waste of Shire resources.

Shire President –

We will take this on board and see if it can be addressed.

Harry Buckingham –

In page 15 of the report it mentions on two occasions we may have to raise rates or cut expenditure. There is a list of credit card spending of \$4,000 what is this about?

Shire President –

It would be some professional development for staff or Councillors to attend. Part of the development is developing the staff into better staff members.

Harry Buckingham –

There is about 15 trips up and back from Perth fortnightly, these is a routine trips to Perth?

Shire President –

We have a manager that in their contract agreement these are arranged for them to go back to Perth.

Chief Executive Officer –

We are audited each year and this information goes back to the department.

Shire President –

Most of ours salary packages are under generous we are probably some of the lowest in the state.

Harry Buckingham –

Will you poll the Shire before you go ahead with the nuclear dump?

Shire President –

Yes we will poll the Shire. No decision has been made on the dump site. Its radioactive waste not nuclear waste. It's a low to medium active site. I have the radio active waste report if you want a copy of it. And we will go out to public consultation

Chief Executive Officer –

Council only have direction to seek information at this stage.

Harry Buckingham –

The training the Councillors should be done by teleconferencing, why isn't this done?

Shire President –

It's too hard for the courses to be run in our region as they are 2 or 3 day courses.

Harry Buckingham –

At the next election will you bring back the direct vote for the Shire President?

Shire President –

No we won't. The President is elected by the Councillors not the town. That is more for the Mayor position not the Shire president. We have no intention of voting the president in that way.

Rob Waring –

On the corner of Renou Street, where the historical rubble is, why is it being turned into a truck parking bay? This went before Council historically 2 other times and got rejected, why has Mr Webb taken this upon him self to go ahead with it?

Shire President –

One of the problems we have is we do not have parking for the trucks in the area, and they were parking on the side streets. The long term plan if we get access to that area is we will seal it. There is a draft drawing that has been to Council at a briefing session, we will take this to public consultation as it will be an asset to the town. We will need some funding to help with the project. The minister of mines has relinquished some of the land for us.

Rob Waring –

There is a truck chucking gravel on the road. Why is there all this gravel tapped in when there is no holes? Paul will you inspect my house.

Shire President –

We are not using contractors to fill in pot holes we are using our own crews. Most of our roads and street are looking good. We will have someone inspect the roads.

Robin Wade –

Over the Easter weekend I have had 6 minor accidents, I get people ranting and raving on my drive because they hit stones on the highway and they want to see local Councillors. Who is responsible for this gravel?

Shire President –

Main Roads are the governing organisation for the road. They have had some issues with contractors and they way the bypasses were made. It would have to be claimed on insurance, and it has nothing to do with the Shire as it's a main road.

Harry Buckingham –

Is there a limit on the airfares? And who regulates it?

Shire President –

Yes there are limits set and its part of manager's contracts. It's also in the budget and we cannot go outside the budgetary constraints.

Chief Executive Officer –

Flights have to be relevant to work or contract. They cannot be for fun and they have to be specific to work or training.

Make an appointment to see the Manager Administration Services.

Rhonda Evans –

Tuesday 10.00am 14 April 2015.

6.0 CLOSURE

Shire President declared the meeting closed at 7.18pm and thanked all for their attendance.