

WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL

Draft Minutes

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

19 February 2013

Present: Trish McIntyre
Ian Crawshaw
Lisa-Marie Stones
Peter Clee
Matt Prouse
Shenagh Gamble
Geoff Handicott
Lil Prouse

1. **MEETING OPENING & Welcome.** President Trish McIntyre declared the meeting open at 7.00pm, and welcomed everyone.

Meeting was suspended for 5 minutes to do a presentation to Kate Hinchcliffe by President Trish McIntyre for the "Australia Day Student Citizenship Award" for outstanding contribution to her school and community. Kate was away on holidays on Australia day and so it was decided to present the award to her at the council meeting rather than mailing this to her.

Peter Clee seconds motion to suspend and motion to resume.

- 1.1 **APOLOGIES** – Nil

2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - NIL**

3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Resolution No. 2013/08
That the minutes of the Monthly Meeting of 19 January 2013, as amended, be confirmed.
Moved: Cr Mat Prouse
Seconded: Cr Shenagh Gamble
Vote: AIF

- 3.1 **Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

Sport & Recreation – Interviews have taken place

4. INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Refer to Attached List (Inward Correspondence January 2013)

5. OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Refer to Attached List (Outwards Correspondence January 2013.)

More detailed information on inwards and outwards correspondence will be provided at the Council meeting – Passed.

Resolution no. 2013/09

That the Correspondence for the Month of January 2013 be confirmed.

Moved: Cr Ian Crawshaw

Seconded: Cr Lisa-Marie Stone

Vote: AIF

6. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (Incorporating Work Supervisors Report)

6.1 Robbo is undergoing a short-term variation to his employment with Council. He is ceasing work 45 minutes earlier per day, in order to fill in for Rocky Magnoli on the afternoon school bus run whilst Rocky undergoes medical treatment. His pay has been adjusted accordingly.

6.2 Sport & Recreation Officer – 2 interviews were held on Monday 18th February for a Sports & Recreation Officer.

6.3 Sportsground Caretaker – this position has been filled. The new caretakers took up residence on the weekend, so hopefully this will put an end to the increasing level of vandalism at the sportsground.

6.4 TOPROC – the first meeting for the year will be held on Thursday 21 February in Darwin. The CEO will attend this meeting on Thursday.

6.5 LGANT Conference – this will be on 8 March at Darwin City Council. As Geoff the CEO is leaving next month, it is decided that if a new CEO has been appointed by then, Geoff will attend this conference with the new CEO if not Geoff will attend on his own.

6.6 Police Compound – Council has been approached by the Humpty Doo Police Station Officer-In-Charge asking if Council would be interested in maintaining the Police Station Outpost on Charles Point Road. This offer has been accepted and it is another income source for Council.

6.7 Council Group Photo – This is required for the Annual Report and will be taken after the meeting.

- 6.8 Council Meeting Papers – This will no longer be distributed via the supermarket. Papers will now be emailed to each council member and a few hard copies taken to Council meetings as spare copies.

WORKS

- 6.9 Vehicle tyre tracks have been found across the sand at the Sports ground play equipment area. Also found were two destroyed ceiling fans which have now been replaced.
- 6.10 Our works supervisor has been contacted by Power and Water in regard to a Sacred Site, which is the area of the Natural Spring behind the Water Facility on Vangeman Street. They asked for when the time comes, can access be given to the local Indigenous community. CEO will contact Power Water and ask that written confirmation be given to authorise access.

Duties performed during January

- RUA contractual obligations
- Power Water contractual obligations
- Jetty contractual obligations
- Australia Day preparations
- Mowing and Poisoning of estate, drains and beach access
- Bottles and plastics have been taken to recyclers
- Defecation has been removed from the Jetty Shelter area
- Yard construction begun at Council Residence
- Gate has been fitted to caretakers fence
- Fence repair at Wagait Tower Road and Charles Point Road
- Kubota mower serviced.

Resolution No. 2013/10

That the Officers' reports be received and accepted.

Moved: Cr Shanagh Gamble

Seconded: Cr Lil Prouse Prouse

Vote: AIF

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Resolution No. 2013/11

That the resolution for the January 2013 as tabled be accepted.

Moved: Cr Lisa-Marie Stone

Seconded: Cr Lil Prouse

Vote: 6IF, 1A

- 7.1 Geoff attended a meeting with Barry Hanson from Barry Hanson Chartered accountant and we are still experiencing issues/problems with the audit. Council is disappointed that it has taken a long time to get the audit and CEO to hold

payment until these some issues have been finalised. Pam is to contact Barry Hanson and book him for an Audit to be held in July in the Council Office. Pam is to ring early July to reconfirm the date the audit is to be held. Barry Hanson has assured us that he will attend our audit in July this time.

8. AGENDA ITEMS

Australia Day

Council would like to thank staff, Councillors and all volunteers for their involvement to make this day another success. Once again the Naval Cadets attended and from the report we received they thoroughly enjoyed themselves even though they lost the cricket competition against the community.

Ellen Egan has kindly donated a photo of her late husband Dale to be put up in the Council Chambers.

Sports and Recreation Officer

There were many interests for this position, however only 2 applications turned up for their interviews. Another applicant has since approached council. No decision has been made as of yet.

Anzac Day

Major Ian Dawson has agreed to come along to our Anzac Day service. Apparently Ian used to help out with the service prior to Peter Wright and became involved with the community on other events like Australia Day, etc. He is now retired but is happy to be involved again.

Wagait Wagon

The Wagait Wagon is now in full swing and working well. Ian once again has been employed to drive the wagon which is managed by Brad Irvine.

Memorial Garden

Cr Lil Prouse has been in contact with Michelle from "In-Scape-Out" in regards to the design of a low maintenance Memorial Garden. Michelle will email the design to Cr Lil Prouse and we hope to have this design presented at the next meeting.

9.0 LATE ITEMS AND GENERAL BUSINESS

- 9.1** Charles Darwin University would like to utilise the Council Sports Grounds facilities to hold a workshop for the Masters of Indigenous Knowledges (Mawul Rom) degree course this year from 1 July 2013 to 17 July 2013. They are expecting approximately 120 – 140 people to be involved in the workshop. The public are welcome to come each evening to observe the Indigenous ceremonial dancing and other proceedings.

Resolution No. 2013/12

That Council accepts the request from CDU to hold the Mawul Rom Project at the Council Sports ground from 1 July to 17 July

Moved: Cr Shenagh Gamble

Seconded: Cr Ian Crawshaw

Vote: AIF

Motion by Peter Clee to allow for the Mawul Rom Project be allowed to take place at the sportsground.

10. IN-HOUSE ITEMS

Nil

11. MEETING CLOSE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

President Trish McIntyre closed the meeting at 8.10pm

The next Council Meeting is to be held on Tuesday 19 March at 7.00pm.