

WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

18th January 2011

Present:

Peter Clee	President
Karen Duncan	Vice President
Vera Lamont	Councilor
Darryl Withnall	Councilor
Rocky Magnolli	Councilor
Trish McIntyre	Councilor

1. **MEETING OPENING**-President Peter Clee opened the meeting at 7.00pm and welcomed visitors Fran Kilgariff & Trevor Harris from Dept Housing and Local Government.

- 1.1 **APOLOGIES** Mat Prouse Councilor



2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** NIL

3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Resolution No. 2011/01
That the minutes of the Monthly Meeting of 14th December 2010 be confirmed.
Moved: Cr Trish McIntyre
Seconded: Cr Vera Lamont
Vote: 6-0

- 3.1 **Matters Arising from the Minutes:** NIL
4. **INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE**
Refer to Attached List (Inward Correspondence January 2011)
5. **OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE**
Refer to Attached List (Outwards Correspondence October. 2011.)
More detailed information on inwards and outwards correspondence will be provided at the Council meeting.
 - 5.1 Cr Withnall expressed concern that the Letter to the Minister for Essential Services, Rob Knight, was not listed in the outgoing correspondence and that

enquiries to the ministers staff report that after a check of both offices they are not in receipt of the letter.
Council Administrative staff to track letter. – President Clee to discuss with administration staff

Resolution No.2011/02
That the incoming and outgoing correspondence be accepted as information subject to confirmation of above mentioned letter.
Moved: Cr Trish McIntyre
Seconded: Cr. Withnall
Vote: 6-0

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

6.1 Comments on CEO Report.



6.1.1 WAGAIT TOWER ROAD UPGRADE PROJECT.

Council is still waiting on the final report which is expected in January 2011 but has not yet been received. Incoming CEO to follow up.

6.1.2 MEMORIAL GARDEN.

Tenders closed with only one tender being received. As the tender was considerable above the allocated funding available the tender was rejected and the unsuccessful applicant advised.

Cr Duncan suggested Wagait Shire manage the project themselves with local business to be offered the opportunity to undertake sections of the work and the shire works employees to undertake specified tasks as directed by the CEO

Councillors supported this option and discussion will be undertaken with the CEO once he commences employment

6.1.3 WATER SERVICES CONTRACT & JETTY CLEANING CONTRACT

President Clee confirms that the Shire council is in the process of obtaining CAL Certification to enable us to tender on future projects.

6.1.4. NEW ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

President Clee advises that the decision has been taken on advice that we will continue using the current system until the end of the financial year, which is also the end date for the current contract. It is suggested that we switch over to MYOB for accounting at that time

6.15 AREA 9 SOLUTIONS

Quotes for cabling costs for the network have come back high and the decision was to hold this issue over for the time being.

6.1.6 SPORTS AND RECREATION OFFICER.

The appointment of new sports and recreation officer/s, is waiting on a final clearance from one of the applicants, before employing them in these positions
Councillor Duncan advises that there is a lengthy backlog in processing the applications and as the clearance is not mandatory until the 1st March 2011, the appointment should be offered asap conditional on the clearance being issued.

6.1.7 APPOINTMENT OF CEO.

President Clee confirmed the appointment of Geoff Handicott as the incoming CEO commencing 27th January 2011. An invitation has been extended to Geoff and his wife to attend the Australia Day Celebrations at Wagait Beach on 26th January 2011

6.18 CONTROL OF FERAL PIGS

A Letter and numerous verbal concerns have been received concerning feral pigs in the area forcing community members to install fencing to protect property and pets. It is suggested the shire council seek costing for pig traps and place them in the area in the hope of easing the problem. To be followed up by the CEO and Works officers.

6.19 PREMISES FOR HOUSING EMERGENCY VEHICLES IN WAGAIT BEACH

Councillors agreed to offer support to the request for housing of emergency service vehicles.

Once the letters from the Ray Nicholls, Captain of the Cox Peninsula Bushfire Brigade & Andrew Turner Senior Fire Control Officer with Dept of Natural Resources, Environment, Arts and Sport, have been tabled councillors will be able to determine the most appropriate support to offer.

Resolution No.2011/03

That the Officers' reports be received and accepted.

Moved: Cr Darryl Withnall

Seconded: Cr Rocky Magnoli

Vote: 6-0

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS. NOT TABLED

Resolution No. 2011/04

That standing orders be suspended in order for the meeting to be addressed by Fran Kilgariff on matters of importance

Moved: Cr Karen Duncan

Seconded: Cr Trish McIntrye

Vote: 6-0

Fran Kilgariff outlined the main functions of the department to Local Government, these included:

- Assistance and support
- compliance within the local government act.

Areas of assistance includes: grants, reforms, and sustainability

Regional Development and bringing forward identified growth towns – Government, Animal Welfare, Water Safety and Outstations.

Fran also outlined the department's interest in waste management & water supply, and advised of funding that is being made available by the federal government, although it is still being determined how funding will be accessed.

Please include any comments or items I may have missed.

Resolution No. 2011/05
That the meeting thank Fran Kilgariff and Trevor Harris for their time in addressing the meeting. And that
That standing orders be resumed
Moved: Cr Karen Duncan
Seconded: Cr Daryl Withnall
Vote: 6-0

8. AGENDA ITEMS

8.1 Parking at the jetty

Councillor Duncan advised that there has been considerable concern expressed over inappropriate parking at the jetty, particularly those meeting the 5.20pm and 6.20pm ferries

The jetty cleaning is not to an acceptable standard with several complaints being received by councillors.

As neither of these situations is within the control of the shire it was decided that the council should send a letter of concern to the relevant department for consideration.

9. LATE ITEMS and GENERAL BUSINESS.

9.1 The warning sign at the boat ramp has faded to the point of being unreadable and it needs to be replaced. The relevant department is to be advised.

9.1.2 The vinegar bottle has again been removed and President Clew is to advise the staff so this can be replaced asap

9 IN-CAMERA ITEMS

Discussed

10. MEETING CLOSE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

President Clew closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

The next monthly Council Meeting is to be held on 15th February 2011 at 7.00pm

Signed by.....date.....
President of Wagait Shire Council

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Chief Executive Officer