

**WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**19 July 2011**

**Present:** Peter Clee (President)  
Trish McIntyre  
Vera Lamont  
Darryl Whitnall  
Geoff Handicott (CEO)

**Guest Presenters: Lee Williams & Solomon, Dept. Housing,  
Local Government & Regional Services.**

1. **MEETING OPENING** – President Clee opened the meeting at 7pm, but suspended standing orders to allow the DHLGRS to deliver a presentation on Proposed Voting Reforms

Meeting reconvened at 7.30pm.

- 1.1 **APOLOGIES**

Karen Duncan

**Resolution No. 211/36**  
**That the apology of Cr Karen Duncan be accepted.**  
**Moved: Cr Darryl Whitnall**  
**Seconded: Cr Vera Lamont**  
**Vote: AIF**

2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - Nil**

3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 211/37**  
**That the minutes of the Monthly Meeting of 28 June 2011 be confirmed.**  
**Moved: Cr Trish McIntyre**  
**Seconded: Cr Vera Lamont**  
**Vote: AIF**

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

- 3.1.1 **Rates 2011 – 2012** : Residents to be advised next week

- 3.1.2 **Water Tanks Update** : 2 quotes being obtained, including one local.

4. **INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE**  
Refer to Attached List (Inward Correspondence June 2011.)

5. **OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE**  
Refer to Attached List ( Outwards Correspondence June 2011.)  
More detailed information on inwards and outwards correspondence will be provided at the Council meeting.

**Resolution No. 211/38**

That the incoming and outgoing correspondence be accepted as information.

Moved: Cr Peter Clee

Seconded: Cr Vera Lamont

Vote:

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

*June-July has been a busy time, as usual, and it is not long since the last Council meeting (28 June).*

**1. Waste Management**

*Since the last Council Meeting, one cage of aluminum cans has been transported to Darwin. Following the Foreshore cleanup on 5<sup>th</sup> July, another cage is almost ready to be taken in as well.*

*Council has received advice that the glass collection point in Darwin is at capacity and can no longer take glass for recycling.*

*Collection drums are to be removed from the tip and signage displayed to advise residents that glass cannot be collected at this time.*

**2. Road Repairs**

*Bitumised road repair product has now arrived, so work can commence on the dip on Cox Drive to repair water damage.*

**3. HR Update**

*Works staff have taken 'staggered' annual leave time.*

*Russell Thurston has signed his contract.*

*Angela Adams has had two weeks leave. Thanks to those Council staff who took on extra cleaning duties in her absence.*

**Administration** – MYOB transition work has commenced, but has been interrupted due to circumstances outside the control of Council. However, it will commence again later this week.

#### **4. Milady Plane Wreck Site**

Currently investigating funding options for the replacement of vandalized signage at the crash site.

Question – Can any Councillors recall who provided the existing signage? It contains detailed drawings/artwork, and I'm hoping this is still available to be re-used.

**5. VW Enthusiasts Club NT.** – I sent an email to all Councillors stating that this Club wanted to spend a night, camping at the Sports Ground, and possibly show their vehicles on the Sunday morning prior to their departure. I have received a response from 4 Councillors. Do I have Council's permission to advise the Club that they can go ahead and plan their trip?

Of course, I have taken on board the provisos suggested by those Councillors who have responded. – Council agreed to this request.

#### **6. Upcoming Community Events**

**Seniors Ball** – Theme is 'Gangsters and Molls' as suggested at last Council meeting. Invitations and Advertising currently being prepared.

Works Report – Council raised concern that there are still trees and branches to be cleared around the estate, and that the work hadn't been 'finished' as stated in the works report.

##### **Resolution No. 211/39**

**That the Officers' reports be received and accepted, with the exception of the statement about trees and branches around the estate.**

**Moved: Cr Darryl Whitnall**

**Seconded: Cr Trish McIntyre**

**Vote: AIF**

### **7. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

#### **7.1 Financial Reports –**

Financial report submitted was not the June Financial Report.

##### **Resolution No**

**That the June Financial Reports be accepted.**

**Moved: Cr**

**Seconded: Cr**

**Vote:**

## **8. AGENDA ITEMS**

**8.1** Amalgamation Update – CEO reported briefly. The GDH Report was again rejected, as it did not contain recommendations. DCC to write to GDH. A copy of the letter to be sent to each participating Council.

**8.2** TOPROC Update – Waste is still an issue, as no-one is accepting glass. The TOPROC meeting also expressed concern regarding the Dept. Planning & Infrastructure passing unsatisfactory plans for housing eg. Palmerston.

**8.3** Territory Day Report – Howard & Sons has the contract to conduct the Fireworks display throughout the Northern Territory. This has occurred as a result of Workplace Safety issues.

**8.4** Drums on Beach – Weeds & Seeds are coming out next week, with a fencing contractor to obtain a quote to fence the area around the drums. Council has asked that a letter be written to express Council concern regarding fencing the area. Peter Clee to follow up with the Minister.

**8.5** Senior's Ball update – Plans are progressing. Help from Councillors would be appreciated.

## **9. LATE ITEMS and GENERAL BUSINESS.**

**9.5** Cr. Vera raised concern that the Club had not received a written response to their request for Sponsorship (April Mtg).

**9.6 Proposed Voting reforms** - Email to be sent to all Councillors asking whether we should prepare a submission on this issue. If so, a submission to be prepared and presented at next meeting for ratification. Note: This will be after the closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> July.

## **10 IN-CAMERA ITEMS**

## **11. MEETING CLOSE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

President Clee closed the meeting at 7.55pm.

The next monthly Council Meeting is to be held on 16 August 2011 at 7.00pm.