

WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

16th March 2010

Present:	Peter Clee	-	President
	Karen Duncan	-	Vice President
	Matt Prouse	-	Councillor
	Rocco Magnoli	-	Councillor
	Vera Lamont	-	Councillor
	Darryl Withnall	-	Councillor
	Jill Mumme	-	Admin Officer

1. MEETING OPENING:

President Clee opened the meeting at 7.00pm and welcomed all attendees.

2. APOLOGIES:

Councillor McIntyre
A/CEO Graham Watson

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Councillor Withnall moved that: *the minutes of the monthly meeting of 16th February be confirmed. Seconded by Councillor Duncan. Vote: unanimous - carried*

RESOLUTION No. 10/007

4.1 Matters Arising from the Minutes:

14 (iv) Communication with media: Councillor McIntyre indicated by email that she intends to further discuss the issue of communication with the media.

5. INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

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| 1in) Dpt. Local Govt. | - | Special Purpose Grants |
| 2in) Dpt. Const. & Infra. | - | Dpt. Change of name |
| 3in) Dpt. Lands & Plan. | - | LATMP funding. |
| 4in) Jane Carrigan | - | Council Management |
| 5in) Dpt. Lands, Planning | - | Quote for Fire Break and tracks |
| 6in) Janet Cooper | - | Public Seating |
| 7in) LGANT | - | Proposed changes to Constitution |
| 8in) Dpt. Housing & Local Govt. | - | Special Purpose Grant – acceptance |

5.1 Matters Arising from the Inwards Correspondence

8in) Dept. Housing & Local Govt. President Clee moved that: *Council accept the Special Purpose Grants of \$25,000 to construct a Memorial garden and \$17,000 to purchase a portable wood chipper. Seconded by Councillor Lamont. Vote: unanimous - carried*

RESOLUTION No. 10/008

6in) Janet Cooper: A/CEO to write to Janet Cooper to advise that the rotting memorial seat on the beach at the end of Baluria Road will be removed and replaced with a concrete seat. Council will purchase a new bench to place in the Memorial Garden and the memorial plaque for Tony and Jane Mahoney from the original seat will be placed on the new bench.

6. OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

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| 1out) Janet Cooper | - | Public Seating |
| 2out) Mark Forster | - | Gamba Grass |
| 3out) Donna Hadfield | - | Annual Roads Return (Grants
Comm) |

6.1 Matters Arising from Outwards Correspondence:

Nil

7. LATE MAIL:

Nil

Vice President Duncan moved that: *the inwards correspondence be accepted and the outwards correspondence be endorsed. Seconded by Councillor Withnall. Vote: unanimous - carried*

RESOLUTION No. 10/009

8. CEO'S REPORT:

Contained the following items:-

1) Reporting: CEO report to now contain information on Civil Works and Sports and Recreation activities.

2) Council Residence: Advised that refurbishment of Council house was almost complete and finish date should be 26th March 2010

3) Boat Ramp: Advised that Council workers had cleared the sand from the boatramp on two occasions and were experimenting with methodology.
Councillor Magnoli suggested that there should be no requirement to use a tip truck to cart sand from the boat ramp but rather the sand should be deposited at a lower level from which point the tides may move it from the area.

4) Mahoney Memorial Seat. Covered in 'matters arising from inwards correspondence' above.

5) Irrigation Bore at Oval: Advised that information derived from three different drilling companies suggested that the cost to drill a bore at the oval would be approximately \$10,000 to \$14,000 depending on the location and material encountered and a maximum depth of 60 metres.
Councillors recommended that the A/CEO begin the process of having an irrigation bore drilled at the sports oval.

6) Wagait Tower Road proposed road works: Advised that albeit many weeks late, the surveyors employed by BTO Pty Ltd have surveyed the proposed road widening project adjacent to the Wagait Supermarket. BTO has been engaged by Council to survey and design the roadworks at a cost of \$19,790.40. Extra funding applied for to try and increase the length of road widening.

7) Council Cleaner: Suggested change of employment status for the Council cleaner as recommended by LGANT.
Councillors agreed in principle with the proposition and requested that A/CEO recommend a remuneration level.

8) Civil Works Activities: Advised that normal activities had continued. Roadworks on the corner of Uhr Rd and Wagait Tower Rd to start as soon as possible. Weed poisoning to continue as soon as dry conditions are a certainty.

9) Sports and Recreation: Letter written to all parents to seek assistance for Josh during weekly sporting and recreation activities.
Councillors requested information on any feedback from parents.
Josh requested the purchase of a small electric pump to pump up the basketballs and footballs. *A/CEO to seek prices on such a pump.*

10) Fishing Club Grant: Contact had been made with the Fishing Club representative who was advised that Council will manage the \$2000.00 grant and

make funds available for the purchase of the portable shade structure for the beach which was the purpose of the grant.

Vice President Duncan moved that: *the CEO's Report be accepted. Seconded by Councillor Magnoli. Vote: - unanimous - carried*

RESOLUTION No. 10/010

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Council perused the Trial Balance, Statement of Financial Position as @ 28th February 2010 and Bank Reconciliations for December 2009, Jan and Feb. 2010. President Clee moved that: *the Financial Reports as presented be accepted. Seconded by Councillor Withnall. Vote: unanimous - carried*

RESOLUTION No. 10/011

10. AGENDA ITEMS:

Nil

11. GENERAL BUSINESS:

1) Caretaker at Sports Ground:

Councillors requested that A/CEO make contact with the caretaker at the Sports Ground to address a number of issues regarding the roles and duties of the caretaker.

2) Feral Pigs:

Councillors requested information from A/CEO as to what steps were being taken to combat the problem of Feral pigs particularly in blocks near the Sports Oval and Mungalo Road.

3) Rubbish Tip:

Councillors advised that the Rubbish Tip, particularly the commercial area needs tidying up as access had become impossible. The use of a loader would be required.

4) Climate Change Workshop:

Councillor Prouse advised that the Climate Change Workshop had been poorly attended but had been an informative session.

12. IN-CAMERA ITEMS:

Nil

13. MEETING CLOSE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

President Clee closed the meeting at 7.50pm. Next meeting on Tuesday 20th April at 7.00pm

PRESIDENT: _____ **DATE:** _____

CEO: _____ **DATE:** _____