SHIRE OF LEONORA

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING



HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LEONORA ON TUESDAY, 21st MARCH, 2006

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held in Shire Chambers, Leonora on Tuesday 21st March, 2006 commencing at 9.30am.

1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS / FINANCIAL INTEREST DISCLOSURES

- 1.1 Cr Dawes declared the meeting open at 9.30am and announced visitors as per Agenda.
- 1.2 Visitors or members of the public in attendance Cr Dawes welcomed Di Simionato of BHP Billiton.
- 1.3 Financial Interests Disclosure Nil

2.0 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE (previously approved)

2.1 PRESENT

President GR Dawes
Deputy President BSD Taylor
Councillors JF Carter
L Petersen
P Craig
NG Johnson

GR Kemp

Cr D Grills arrived at 9.40am

Chief Executive Officer JG Epis
Deputy Chief Executive Officer JF Rowe

2.2 APOLOGIES

Cr Demasson

2.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3.0 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

4.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

5.0 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Ni

6.0 PETTITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

moved Cr Kemp **seconded** Cr Craig that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 21st February, 2006 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED (7 VOTES TO 0)

8.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1 (A) RE-VEGETATION OF LAND

Moved Cr Dawes

seconded Cr Petersen

- (i.) that Council acknowledge that management control and responsibility of Parkland Reserve 58532 now remains with the Shire of Leonora.
- (ii.) That the 2006/2007 Annual Budget include funds to at least commence the project.
- (iii.) That a small working group including Councillors and interested community members be established to investigate and plan development of the land.

CARRIED (7 VOTES TO 0)

Cr Grills arrived at 9.40am

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1 (B) DEDICATION OF AGNEW-SANDSTONE ROAD

Moved Cr Carter seconded Cr Johnson

That Council concur to the taking of the land the subject of Deposited Plans 47701 - 47704 and 47707 and to its dedication as road under Section 56 of the Land Administration Act 1997.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 9.1 (C) DIFFERENTIAL RATING

Moved Cr Taylor seconded Cr Carter

That local public notice of Council's intention to provide a differential general rate as follows be published.

Gross Rental Valuations7.00 centsUnimproved Valuations(Mining)10.25 centsUnimproved Valuations (Pastoral)6.50 centsMinimum Rate\$175.00

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.25am and resumed at 10.48am with attendance identical to that at Item 2.1.

At 10.50am Mr Hayden Collins joined the meeting and addressed Council on services being offered by Broadband.Net. Following a question and answer session Mr Collins left the meeting at 11.30am. Standing orders were resumed.

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1 (D) SHARED SERVICES / BACKEND PROCESSING

Moved Cr Carter

seconded Cr Craig

That Council agree to participate as part of the Shared Service Working Group to explore the possibility of establishing a Regional Local Government with the initial purpose to undertake shared service functions and that Council appoint the chief Executive Officer and two delegates to attend future Shared Service Working Group Meetings.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.2(A) MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – MARCH, 2006

Moved Cr Petersen

seconded Cr Grills

The Monthly Financial Statements for the month ended 28th February, 2006 consisting of Statement of Financial Activity(2), Statement of Financial Position, Capital Expenditure 05/06, Statement of outstanding Debtors, Statement of Material Variances and Financial Position as at 8th March, 2006 showing balances of:-

	\$	
Municipal	34,145	Debit
Long Service Leave Reserve	63,792	Credit
Fire Disaster Reserve	5,786	Credit
Building Reserve	Nil	Credit
Plant Replacement Reserve	Nil	Credit
Community Amenities Reserve	Nil	Credit
Municipal Investment	\$1,022,993	Credit

be adopted.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.2 (B) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – FEBRUARY, 2006

Moved Cr Taylor

seconded Cr Johnson

That accounts as represented by Vouchers 774 to 897 plus Direct Bank Transactions and totalling \$514,471.74 be authorised for payment.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 9.2(C) BUDGET AMENDMENT

Moved Cr Craig

seconded Cr Kemp

That the amount set aside for grid purchases of \$39,000.00 in the 2005/06 Adopted Budget be transferred and used for the completion of the swimming pool at Leonora.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.2(D) REVIEW OF 2005/2006 BUDGET

Moved Cr Taylor

seconded Cr Carter

That the budget review submitted for the 2005/06 financial year be adopted without amendment.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 9.2(E) PLAN FOR THE FUTURE OF THE DISTRICT

Moved Cr Johnson

seconded Cr Grills

That the draft Plan for the Future of the District as presented proceed to local public advertising with a view to considering of submissions, modification if necessary and final adoption at the ordinary meeting of Council held in May, 2006.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

10.0 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING.

A. ELECTED MEMBERS

Nil

B. OFFICERS

Nil

11.0 NEXT MEETING

To be held on Wednesday 19th April, 2006 in Councils Chambers, Leonora at 9.30am.

12.0 CLOSURE OF MEETING

Cr Dawes declared the meeting closed at 12.45pm.

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