

SHIRE OF LEONORA

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING



LEONORA

Star of the West

**HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
LEONORA ON TUESDAY,
21ST OCTOBER, 2003**

SHIRE OF LEONORA

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held in Council Chambers, Leonora on Tuesday 21st October, 2003 commencing at 9:00am.

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

1.1 Cr Dawes declared the meeting open at 9.00am and announced visitor at 11.00am.

1.2 Financial Interest Disclosure-
Nil

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

2.1 PRESENT

President	G R Dawes
Deputy President	N G Johnson
Councillors	B S D Taylor
	G R Kemp
	J F Carter
	P J Craig
	T C Demasson
	S J Heather
	T Hewson
Chief Executive Officer	J G Epis
Deputy Chief Executive Officer	J F Rowe

Mr Tony Bright attended at 9.01am and reported on the Public Meeting held on 20.10.2003 regarding the Leonora Community Sports Centre Proposal. (See report Attached)

Mr Bright left the meeting at 9.27am.

2.2 APOLOGIES
Nil

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
Cr Carter requested leave of absence for the November meeting.
Moved Cr Demasson seconded Cr Craig that the leave be granted.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

6.0 PETTITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS
Nil

7.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS
Moved Cr Hewson seconded Cr Kemp that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 16th September, 2003 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED (9 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) MANAGEMENT CONTROL – MALCOLM DAM

SUBMISSION TO: Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: 21st October, 2003

AGENDA REFERENCE: 9.1 (A) OCT03

SUBJECT: Management Control – Malcolm Dam

LOCATION / ADDRESS: Leonora

NAME OF APPLICANT: Not Applicable

FILE REFERENCE: Lands Department Reserve 6.6

AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT

NAME: James Gregory Epis

OFFICER: Chief Executive Officer

INTEREST DISCLOSURE: Nil

DATE: 26th September, 2003

BACKGROUND

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 18th February, 2003 it was resolved that the Shire of Leonora accept management control of Malcolm Dam Reserve No 8946 and that “all reasonable care” initiatives as outlined by Local Government Insurance Services of WA be implemented.

At a further meeting of Council held on the 19th August, 2003 it was resolved that the following conditions be accepted to enable vesting to proceed:

- the reserve purpose be amended to “Recreation and Water”
- that a management plan at Council’s cost be prepared that includes the protection and management of the water resource values

On the 22nd September, 2003 a draft management plan was forwarded to the Department of Environmental with a request that they provide comment in regards whether the contents of the document satisfy their requirements. The Department has since advised that the draft management plan satisfies their requirements.

A copy of the draft management plan follows this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Upgrading of the access road, signage and other service requirements is expected to cost in the vicinity of \$25,000.00. No allocation of funding is contained within the current budget to commence this project.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

With careful planning, Malcolm Dam could become an excellent tourist destination.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council, having resolved to accept joint management control of the Reserve, ensure that all “reasonable care” initiatives be implemented once ownership details have been finalised.

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1(A) MANAGEMENT CONTROL – MALCOLM DAM

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Management Plan for Malcolm Dam Reserve 8946, pursuant to Section 49 of the Land Administration Act 1995 be adopted and that approval from the Minister for Lands be sought.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority required.

Moved Cr Taylor seconded Cr Johnson

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CARRIED (9 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1(B) PROPOSED EXEMPTION- ABORIGINAL HERITAGE ACT

SUBMISSION TO: Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: 21st October, 2003

AGENDA REFERENCE: 9.1 (B) OCT03

SUBJECT: Proposed Exemption- Aboriginal Heritage Act

LOCATION / ADDRESS: Not Applicable

NAME OF APPLICANT: Not Applicable

FILE REFERENCE: Roads – Closure and Dedication 7.7

AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT

NAME: James Gregory Epis

OFFICER: Chief Executive Officer

INTEREST DISCLOSURE: Nil

DATE: 6th October, 2003

BACKGROUND

Passage of the Environmental Protection Act Amendment Bill 2002 has been previously reported on by WALGA's Environment Policy Team in relation to the environmental impact of the legislation.

Concerns were subsequently raised by Local Governments regarding the requirements for Local Governments to prepare and submit vegetation management plans and obtain permits for construction and maintenance activities within road reserves.

On the 23rd September, 2003, the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development, the Hon Tom Stevens MLC did write to all Mayors and Presidents alerting them to the following important facts:

- Local Governments will not be prevented from clearing road verges to maintain safe road networks;
- Local governments will not be required to submit a permit every time they need to clear vegetation for this purpose. A Permit can be issued that will cover all roadside clearing for a number of years.
- Local Governments will be covered by a transitional process as soon as the clearing control section of the Bill becomes law, authorising clearing for works within road reserves. The transitional period is expected to last for six months and will ensure that local governments are authorised to carry out road work activities.

The Minister further advised that the proposed legislation does not intend to prevent local governments from clearing vegetation where necessary to maintain and improve roads. Instead, the legislation aims to bring a consistent standard to vegetation management across the State through planning for vegetation protection and ensuring that needless clearing does not occur.

The Minister on his visit to Leonora on the 26th September, 2003 was asked if similar exemptions could be applied to the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972.

Restrictions because of the need to undertake heritage surveys within road reserves were time consuming, very costly and created unnecessary delays.

Local governments are responsible and have a duty of care to maintain their network of gravel roads to a safe and reasonable standard.

In June, 2001 the High Court overturned a long-standing rule which protected "highway authorities" such as local governments, from liability for failing to keep roads in good repair. Until this decision a highway authority could only be found liable for creating a hazard, not for failure to maintain roads. This distinction between "misfeasance" (raking

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9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1(B) PROPOSED EXEMPTION- ABORIGINAL HERITAGE ACT (continued)

positive action) and nonfeasance (failing to take action) was at the core of the Courts reasoning. The decision significantly increases the potential liability of local government.

Where road defects are known, a local government now risks damages claims if it does nothing to remedy the defect. Where the defects are unknown, the local government is expected to take steps to identify them.

While the Court made it clear that the removal of the immunity does not require all roads to always be in perfect repair, the expectations in respect of road maintenance will now be much higher.

The Minister, in his response, stated that issues in regards the Aboriginal Heritage Act were not within his portfolio however he would have his Department investigate Councils concerns and furthermore, that he would also refer the matter to the responsible Minister, the Hon John Kobelke.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Sections of the Native Title Act, Aboriginal Heritage Act and now the proposed changes to the Environmental Protection Act need to be complied with if vegetation is to be cleared within road reserves.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

If exemption as sought is successful, huge savings would be made on the cost of Heritage Surveys. (Meetings, site inspections and report writing).

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Exemption would allow local governments to attend to their duty of care responsibilities in regard road maintenance and construction without delay and unnecessary costs.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Shire of Leonora prepare an item for the next Esperance-Eastern Goldfields Country Zone of the Western Australia Local Government Association Meeting seeking support from Members that attempts be made to have the Aboriginal Heritage Act amended so that road maintenance and road construction activities within road reserves can be undertaken without consultation with representative bodies

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority required.

Moved Cr Taylor seconded Cr Kemp

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9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1(C) PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF SPOON DRAIN

SUBMISSION TO: Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: 21st October, 2003

AGENDA REFERENCE: 9.1 (C) OCT03

SUBJECT: Proposed Construction of Spoon Drain

LOCATION / ADDRESS: Leonora

NAME OF APPLICANT: Shire of Leonora

FILE REFERENCE: Roads – Street Damage 7.11

AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT

NAME: James Gregory Epis

OFFICER: Chief Executive Officer

INTEREST DISCLOSURE: Nil

DATE: 8th October, 2003

BACKGROUND

Council will recall the discussion in February, 2003 regarding the proposed construction of a spoon drain on the western side of the railway line within the Leonora townsite. As Councillors are aware, many properties on the eastern side of the railway line, especially those in the vicinity of Rajah Street rail crossing have been subjected to flooding in times of heavy rain. Not only damage to property has been of concern, but health and safety issues need to be considered as well.

To rectify the problem Council proposed to construct a spoon type drain approximately 2 kilometres in length and 20 metres in width down the western side of the railway line extending west of the Tower Hill waste dump into creeks leading to Lake Raeside.

In March, 2003 I wrote to the Goldfields Land and Sea Council in regards compliance with subdivision 24J and 24k of the Native Title Act which requires native title parties to be given the opportunity to comment in regards proposed works. I reminded the Goldfields Land Council that in late December, 1999 early January, 2000, heritage surveys were undertaken by all native title claimant groups in and around the townsite of Leonora for which payment was made.

On the 21st May, 2003 the Goldfields Land and Sea Council advised that given assurances that the Shire of Leonora had consulted and completed heritage surveys with the Wongutha, Koara and Wutha people, it was their belief that Council had met its obligation to consult in terms of the Native Title Act.

On the 28th May, 2003 the Department of Land Administration advised that they had no objection to the spoon drain and that the purpose of Reserve 35852 would be amended to "Recreation and Drainage" with management to the Shire of Leonora.

The mining tenement holder, Sons of Gwalia Ltd also advised that they had no objection to the proposal.

In June, 2003 I sought legal advice as to other approvals required to clear land for the construction works. Pursuant to the Soil and Land Conservation Act 1945 and Regulations, a notice of intention for a proposal to clear an area of more than one hectare of land is required to be submitted by the owner or occupier of land to the Commissioner for Soil and Land Conservation. On the 22nd July, 2003 I did request permission to clear land for the purposes of the proposed works.

On the 22nd July, 2003 I also provided correspondence to the Department of Environment with a request that they confirm that the proposed drain does not require any environmental impact assessment, works approval or environmental licence under the Environmental Protection Act 1986.

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1(C) PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF SPOON DRAIN (continued)

On the 25th July, 2003 the Department of Agriculture acknowledged having received the Notice of Intention to Clear and advised that the Notice had been forwarded to their Kalgoorlie office who would provide an assessment report to the Commissioner regarding any land degradation hazards which may result from the proposal. I have no further information to provide at this time as the assessment report has not been provided.

The Department of Environment however has responded advising that they have consulted with its Hydrology and Water Resources Branch and consider that it is appropriate that the Shire of Leonora employ the services of a Surface Water Hydrologist to prepare a surface water management plan for the town of Leonora. Once this has been completed their Department would be prepared to review the plan and provide any advice necessary.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 3.27 and Schedule 3.2 of the Local Government Act 1995 authorises the Shire to carry out required works for the drainage of land for preventing or reducing flooding. The Shire may do this even though the affected land is not local government property and the landowners do not consent. That said, the Shire must comply with environmental laws, those being the Soil and Land Conservation Act 1945 and the Environmental Protection Act 1986.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

An amount of \$30,000.00 is contained within the current budget to undertake proposed works. This amount had been allocated to cover costs of clearing and excavation type work, not to engage the services of a Surface Water Hydrologist. Cost estimates in regards the services of a Hydrologist and preparation of a surface water management plan is expected to be in the vicinity of between \$20,000.00 and \$30,000.00.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

It is considered that construction of the drain will assist with flooding problems near the Rajah Street rail crossing and reduce damage to both the race course and golf course.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council engage the services of a Surface Water Hydrologist to investigate and prepare a surface water management plan for the town of Leonora.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority required.

Moved Cr Carter seconded Cr Hewson

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CARRIED (9 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS
9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
9.1(D) LAND AQUISITION

SUBMISSION TO: Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: 21st October, 2003

AGENDA REFERENCE: 9.1 (D) OCT03

SUBJECT: Land Acquisition

LOCATION / ADDRESS: Leonora

NAME OF APPLICANT: Shire of Leonora

FILE REFERENCE: Lands Department- Reserves 6.6

AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT

NAME: James Gregory Epis

OFFICER: Chief Executive Officer

INTEREST DISCLOSURE: Nil

DATE: 13th October, 2003

BACKGROUND

The Leonora Community Recreation Centre and the proposed Leonora Aquatic Centre are situated on Tower Street Lots 32, 929, 30 and 1328 (Recreation Reserve 38913).

Ownership details as follows:

Registered Proprietor:	Shire of Leonora with Estate in fee simple		
Lot 32	1012m ²	Volume 1569	Folio 456
Lot 929	604m ²	Volume 1698	Folio 993
Lot 30	706m ²	Volume 1206	Folio 40

Reserve 38913 was created for Recreation Purposes, management control of which remains with the Shire of Leonora.

Due to capital costs and proposed capital costs of the facilities on the land, Reserve 38913 should be cancelled and a more secure title to the land obtained. In fact, if and when freehold title is obtained, the four properties mentioned above should be amalgamated into the one holding or title

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Some costs in regards survey and administrative expenses are to be expected. Further more costs in purchasing the land under freehold status will depend on a valuation provided by the Valuer Generals Office.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Will provide Council with secure land title on which major infrastructure and assets exist.

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS
9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
9.1(d) LAND ACQUISITION

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council proceed with the conversion of Reserve No 38913 to freehold title and that the Department of Planning and Infrastructure be requested to obtain a land valuation so that the matter can be further progressed.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority required.

Moved Cr Demasson seconded Cr Johnson

That Council proceed with the conversion of Reserve No 38913 to freehold title and that the Department of Planning and Infrastructure be requested to obtain a land valuation so that the matter can be further progressed.

CARRIED (9 VOTES TO 0)

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.2 (A) QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – SEPT 2003

SUBMISSION TO:	Meeting of Council Meeting Date: 21 st October, 2003
AGENDA REFERENCE:	9.2(A) OCT 03
SUBJECT:	Quarterly Financial Statements – OCT 2003
AUTHOR:	J F Rowe
POSITION:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
INTEREST DISCLOSURE:	Nil
DATE:	14 th October, 2003
COMMENT:	Quarterly Statements submitted for adoption include: (a) Financial Position as at 14 th October, 2003 (b) Operating Statement Summary 30 th September, 2003 (c) Operating Statement - Detail – 30 th September, 2003 (d) Operating Statement - Nature/Type– 30 th September, 2003 (e) Balance Sheet as at – 30 th September, 2003 (f) Statement of Fixed Assets – 30 th September, 2003 (g) Statement of Outstanding Debtors – 30 th September, 2003

RECOMMENDATION

The Quarterly Financial Statements for the month ended 30th September, 2003 consisting of Operating Statements (3), Balance Sheet, Statement of Fixed Assets, Lists of Outstanding Debtors, and the Financial Position as 14th October, 2003 showing balances of:-

	\$	
Municipal	\$2,180,969.23	Credit
Long Service Leave Reserve	\$55,298.56	Credit
Fire Disaster Reserve	\$3,164.21	Credit
Building Reserve	Nil	Credit
Plant Replacement Reserve	Nil	Credit
Community Amenities Reserve	Nil	Credit
Municipal Investment	Nil	Credit

be adopted.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.2 (A) QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – SEPT 2003 (continued)

Moved Cr Taylor seconded Cr Demasson

That the Quarterly Financial Statements for the month ended 30th September, 2003 consisting of Operating Statements (3), Balance Sheet, Statement of Fixed Assets, Lists of Outstanding Debtors, and the Financial Position as 14th October, 2003 showing balances of:-

	\$	
<i>Municipal</i>	\$2,180,969.23	<i>Credit</i>
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<i>Fire Disaster Reserve</i>	\$3,164.21	<i>Credit</i>
<i>Building Reserve</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Credit</i>
<i>Plant Replacement Reserve</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Credit</i>
<i>Community Amenities Reserve</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Credit</i>
<i>Municipal Investment</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Credit</i>

CARRIED (9 VOTES TO 0)

9.0

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.2 (A) QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – SEPTEMBER 2003

SHIRE OF LEONORA		
FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 14TH OCTOBER, 2003		
		MUNICIPAL
		\$
Balance as at 30 th September, 2003		\$2,145,005.22
Receipts to 14 th October, 2003		\$35,964.01
Balance		\$2,180,969.23
Less Accounts since 30 th September, 2003		\$77,563.56
Balance 14th October, 2003		\$2,103,405.67
AMOUNT HELD ON TERM DEPOSIT - NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK		
		\$
A) PLANT REPLACEMENT RESERVE	Nil	CREDIT
B) LONG SERVICE LEAVE	\$55,298.56	CREDIT
C) FIRE DISASTER RESERVE	\$3,164.21	CREDIT
D) BUILDING RESERVE	Nil	CREDIT
E) COMMUNITY AMENITIES RESERVE	Nil	CREDIT
F) MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT	Nil	CREDIT

9.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.2 (B) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – SEPTEMBER 2003

SUBMISSION TO: Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: 21st October, 2003

AGENDA REFERENCE: 9.2(B) OCT03

SUBJECT: Accounts for Payment

AUTHOR: J F Rowe

OFFICER: Deputy Chief Executive Officer

INTEREST DISCLOSURE: Nil

DATE: 14th October, 2003

COMMENT:

Attached statement consists of Vouchers 213 to 320 plus Direct Bank Transactions and totalling \$434,637.50 attached.

RECOMMENDATION

That accounts as represented by Vouchers 213 to 320 inclusive plus Direct Bank Transactions and totalling \$434,637.50 be authorised for payment.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

Moved Cr Carter seconded Cr Heather

That accounts as represented by Vouchers 213 to 320 inclusive plus Direct Bank Transactions and totalling \$434,637.50 be authorised for payment.

CARRIED (9 VOTES TO 0)

The Meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.01am.

The Meeting resumed at 10.22am with the attendance identical to that at Item 2.1.

Mr Young attended the Meeting at 10.23.

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

(A) ELECTED MEMBERS

Nil

(B) OFFICERS

Mr Young (EHO) tabled a report regarding the Town Planning Scheme.

Moved Cr Taylor seconded Cr Demasson that this report be treated as an urgent matter

CARRIED (9 VOTES TO 0)

Cr Hewson declared an interest as an employee involved in the Gwalia Historical Precinct and left the Meeting at 10.25am.

10.0 BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

10.1(B) ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

10.1(B) TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO.1 AMENDMENT NO. 9

SUBMISSION TO: Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: 20 October, 2003

AGENDA REFERENCE: 10(B) OCT03

SUBJECT: Town Planning Scheme No. 1 Amendment No. 9

FILE REFERENCE: Town Planning 5.33

NAME OF OFFICER: Timothy James Young

OFFICER: Environmental Health Officer

INTEREST DISCLOSURE: Nil

DATE: 20 October 2003

BACKGROUND

Council at its meeting on the 21st January, 2003 resolved to adopt the Shire of Leonora Town Planning Scheme No 1 Amendment No 9 as presented and that the proposed Amendment be forwarded to the Western Australian Planning Commission and the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure for their consideration and approval.

Response has been received by the Western Australian Planning Commission requesting that the modifications are made to the Amendment before the approval will be issued by the Minister.

Council is to decide whether to proceed with the Amendment by settling the modifications with the Minister and resubmit the Amendment documents with the required modifications duly carried out.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

In accordance with Section 7 of the Town Planning and Development Act 1928, and the Shire of Leonora Town Planning Scheme No. 1.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

An amount of \$10,675.35 is contained within the current budget to cover general town planning expenses.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

10.0 BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

10.1(B) ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

10.1(B) TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO.1 AMENDMENT NO. 9 (continued)

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Western Australian Planning Commission Schedule of Modifications as presented be settled and the Amendment documents with the required modifications duly carried out be resubmitted for final approval by the Western Australian Planning Commission.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority required

Moved Cr Taylor seconded Cr Demasson

That the Western Australian Planning Commission Schedule of Modifications as presented be settled and the Amendment documents with the required modifications duly carried out be resubmitted for final approval by the Western Australian Planning Commission.

CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)

Cr Hewson returned to the Meeting at 10.29am and was advised of Councils decision.

Mr Young left the Meeting at 10.30am.

Cr Dawes left the Meeting at 10.45am and Cr Johnson took the chair.

Mr John Leach (OIC Leonora Police) attended at 11.08am

Mr Leach outlined updated crime statistics for the September 30, 2003 quarter and provided a copy of the statistics for Councils records. Mr Leach also updated Council on staff matters and the Leonora Police Rangers.

Mr Johnson thanked Mr Leach for his comprehensive report.

11.0 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting was set for Tuesday 18th November, 2003 in Leinster, commencing at 9.00am.

12.0 CLOSURE

Cr Johnson declared the meeting closed at 12.16am.

PRESIDENT

DATE