

WATTLE RANGE COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wattle Range Council held in the Supper Room, Millicent War Memorial Civic & Arts Centre, Ridge Terrace, Millicent on 9 June 2020 at 5.00 pm.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING / CIVIC PRAYER / ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY / RECORDING OF MEETINGS

2. PRESENT

His Worship the Mayor D Noll
 Cr D Agnew
 Cr D Burrow
 Cr S Cox
 Cr J Drew
 Cr P Dunnicliff
 Cr K McGrath
 Cr D Muhovics
 Cr M Neagle
 Cr R Paltridge
 Cr D Price
 Cr G Slarks

Messrs PA Duka (Acting Chief Executive Officer / Director Corporate Services)
 PA Halton (Director Engineering Services)
 SW Chapple (Director Development Services)
 Ms CP Allen (Executive Assistant)

3. APOLOGIES

Mr BJ Gower (Chief Executive Officer)

4. COUNCIL MEETINGS

4.1 Ordinary Meetings of Council

Cr Price moved that Council from 9 June 2020 (due to the easing of the public health emergency's restrictions) will hold its Council Meetings in the Supper Room of the Millicent War Memorial Civic & Arts Centre, Ridge Terrace, Millicent.

Cr McGrath seconded

CARRIED

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

NIL

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

6.1 Ordinary Meeting of Council – 12 May 2020 (Folio 8698 – Folio 8977)

Cr Muhovics moved that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting dated 12 May 2020 be taken as presented and confirmed.

Cr Paltridge seconded

CARRIED

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NIL

8. ADJOURNMENTS

NIL

9. MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS

9.1 Mayoral Communications

Cr Neagle moved that Mayoral Communications be received and noted.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

10. DEPUTATIONS

NIL

11. PETITIONS

NIL

12. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

NIL

13. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

NIL

14. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Various questions were asked but there was no resolution that entry be made into the Minutes.

15. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

NIL

16. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OFFICERS

16.1 Chief Executive Officer

16.1.1 Monthly Project Status Report

Cr Paltridge moved that Council receive and note the report.

Cr Dunnicliff seconded

CARRIED

16.1.2 Council Office

Cr Burrow moved that Council receive and note the report

Cr Neagle seconded

CARRIED

Cr Neagle moved that Council staff investigate possible sites for the new Council Office building in the business centre of George Street among other options.

Cr Agnew seconded

LOST

Short Term Suspension of Proceedings

The Mayor, with the approval of two-thirds of the members present suspended the meeting procedures pursuant to Regulation 20(1) of the *Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013*, for a period sufficient to facilitate informal discussion in relation to the Council Office.

Cr Drew moved that the meeting be suspended until 5.40 pm

Cr Price seconded

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 5.20 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 5.43 pm.

Cr Drew moved that Council proposes Apex Park as the preferred site location for a new Principal Office.

Cr Price seconded

Cr Burrow moved that the question lie on the table.

Cr McGrath seconded

CARRIED

16.2 Director Corporate Services

16.2.1 Monthly Financial Performance Report

Cr Dunnicliff moved that Council receive and note the 2019/20 May Financial Performance Report.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

16.2.2 Late Report – 2020/21 Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget – Written Submissions

Cr Price moved that Council receive and note the report.

A period of 5 minutes was provided for Elected Members to peruse the document before voting on the motion.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

16.3 Director Development Services

16.3.1 Visitor Information Centre Review

Cr Paltridge moved that Council receive and note the report.

Cr Burrow seconded

CARRIED

16.4 Director Engineering Services

16.4.1 Domain Precinct Project Update

Cr Muhovics moved that Council receive and note the report.

Cr Dunnicliff seconded

CARRIED

16.4.2 Penola Township Entrance Signage

Cr Burrow moved that Council lift the matter that lie on the table from 10 March 2020 Meeting being Item 15.3.1 – Penola Town Entrance Signage.

Cr Paltridge seconded

CARRIED

Cr Dunnicliff moved that Council not proceed with the Penola Town Entrance statement project until funding of \$10,000 has been received from the Penola District Business and Tourism Association.

Cr Paltridge seconded

DIVISION

Cr Paltridge called for a division.

The Mayor declared the vote set aside.

Members voting in the affirmative:

Councillors Cox, McGrath and Neagle

Members voting in the negative:

Councillors Agnew, Burrow, Drew, Dunnicliff, Muhovics, Paltridge, Price and Slarks

The Mayor declared the motion LOST

Cr Drew moved that Council proceed with the installation of Penola Town Entrance Signs as detailed in the report.

Cr Burrow seconded

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Cr Neagle moved that the meeting be adjourned for short break until 7.18 pm.

Cr Cox seconded

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7.08 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 7.18 pm.

16.4.3 Federal Government Infrastructure Stimulus

Cr Muhovics moved that Council receive and note the report.

Cr Slarks seconded

CARRIED

Cr Burrow resumed the meeting at 7.20 pm

Cr Drew moved that Council adjust the draft budget for 2020/21 to undertake the following projects:

Project	Budget	Grant Funding	Contribution (other)	Council Contribution
Beachport Playground	\$350,000	\$200,000		\$150,000
Local Road Upgrade – Lossie Lane, Millicent	\$60,000	\$30,000		\$30,000
Mount Burr Service Road, Mt Burr	\$240,000	\$119,298		\$120,702
Penola Township Entrance Signage and landscaping of entrances into town	\$155,000	\$115,000	\$10,000	\$30,000
Beachport Bowling Club Building Renewal and Kitchen/Bar Upgrade	\$330,000	\$165,000	\$30,000	\$135,000
Total	\$1,135,000	\$629,298	\$40,000	\$465,702

Cr Cox seconded

CARRIED

17. CORRESPONDENCE

17.1 Feast Festival – Flying the Rainbow Flag – Celebrating Diversity in November

Cr Dunnicliff moved that the correspondence from Feast Festival regarding flying the Rainbow Flag in November 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Burrow seconded

CARRIED

Cr Dunnicliff moved that Council:

1. Purchase six Rainbow Flags and offer them to community groups to fly from their premises in recognition of Pridevember upon request.
2. That the library set up a display celebrating inclusivity and diversity including a rainbow flag during the month of November.

Cr Neagle seconded

DIVISION

Cr Burrow called for a division.

The Mayor declared the vote set aside.

Members voting in the affirmative:

Councillors Agnew, Cox, Drew, Dunnicliff, McGrath, Muhovics, Neagle, Paltridge, Price, Slarks

Members voting in the negative:

Councillor Burrow

The Mayor declared the motion CARRIED

17.2 National Climate Emergency

Cr Neagle moved that the correspondence from Sandra Young dated 6 May 2020 be received and noted.

Cr McGrath seconded

CARRIED

Cr Drew moved that we seek a report from Council Officers on mechanisms that this Council can use to reduce its impact on our environment.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

17.3 2020/21 Regional Landscape Levy Arrangements for the Limestone Coast Landscape Region

Cr Cox moved that the correspondence from Mr Tim Collins dated 7 May 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

17.4 Target Millicent - Closing

Cr Burrow moved that the correspondence from Marina Joanou and Tracie Walker dated 22 May 2020 and the response from Mayor Des Noll dated 1 June 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Cox seconded

CARRIED

17.5 Co-operation in regard to COVID19

Cr Cox moved that the correspondence from the Hon Steven Marshall MP and Professor Nicola Spurrier dated 8 May 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

17.6 Limestone Coast Local Government Association – Meeting Summary

Cr Muhovics moved that the correspondence from the Limestone Coast Local Government Association dated 17 April 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Cox seconded

CARRIED

17.7 Limestone Coast Recovery and Rebuilding Action Plan (COVID19)

Cr Burrow moved that the correspondence from the Limestone Coast Local Government Association dated 22 May 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Dunnicliff seconded

CARRIED

17.8 Federal Funding – Southend Access Road from Southern Ports Highway to Watson Street, Southend - \$105,000 for line marking, signage and delineation

Cr McGrath moved:

1. That the Media Release - Federal Funding to fix 24 Dangerous Black Spots in South Australia from Hon Michael McCormack, MP; Hon Scott Buchholz MP and Tony Pasin MP dated 26 May 2020 be received and noted.

2. That a letter of thanks be sent to Hon Michael McCormack, MP; Hon Scott Buchholz MP and Tony Pasin MP acknowledging their contribution.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

- 17.9 Local Government (Public Health Emergency) (Rate Relief) Amendment Bill 2020 – Nick McBride MP, Member for MacKillop

Cr Cox moved that the correspondence from Nick McBride MP dated 26 May 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Drew seconded

CARRIED

- 17.10 Penola & District Business & Tourism Association re Budget Proposals

Cr Neagle moved that the correspondence from Penola & District Business & Tourism Association dated 19 February 2020 be received and noted.

Cr Paltridge seconded

CARRIED

- 17.11 Beachport District Development Association Inc - Requesting further financial support for the Beachport Business and Tourism Website

Cr Price moved that the correspondence from Beachport District Development Association be received and noted.

Cr Dunnicliff seconded

CARRIED

18. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

NIL

19. URGENT MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

NIL

20. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN CONFIDENCE

- 20.1 Confidential – Southend Caravan Park and Bush Camp EOI Response Summary

Cr Muhovics moved that:

1. Pursuant to Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(b)(d)(k) of the *Local Government Act, 1999*, the Council orders that the public be excluded from attendance at that part of this meeting relating to Item 20.1, excepting the following persons:

- Mr BJ Gower – Chief Executive Officer
- Mr PA Duka – Director Corporate Services
- Mr PE Halton – Director Engineering Services
- Mr SW Chapple – Director Development Services
- Ms CP Allen – Executive Assistant / Minute Taker

to enable the Council to consider Item 20.1 in confidence on the basis the Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public (excepting those persons listed above) in order to receive, discuss or consider in

confidence the following information or matter relating to Item 20.1 information the disclosure of which:

- (i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting or proposing to conduct business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council; and
- (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which:

- (i) Could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party; and
- (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Tenders for the supply of goods, the provision of services or the carrying out of works.

Specifically, the present matter relates to consideration of options for the future of the Southend Caravan Park.

2. Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information or matter confidential.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

Cr Dunnicliff moved that Council receive and note the report.

Cr Agnew seconded

CARRIED

Cr Price moved that Council:

1. Terminate the current REOI for the operation and management of Southend Caravan Park and or Bush Camp or other proposal.
2. Commence the Request for Quotations (RFQ) or Request for Tender (RFT) (above \$75k) process for the removal of all relevant structures on the Southend caravan park site.
3. Recommends the commencement of the tender process for the operation and management of Southend Caravan Park and Bush Camp as an RV only Park.

Cr Drew seconded

CARRIED

Cr Agnew moved:

1. Pursuant to Section 91(7) of the *Local Government Act, 1999*, Council orders **that the following document(s) (or part) shall be kept confidential**, being document(s) (or part) relating to a matter dealt with by the Council on a confidential basis under Sections 90(2) and 90(3)(b)(d)(k) of the Act:

- **The Report and attachments of Item No. 20.1 of 9 June 2020**

On the grounds that the document(s) (or part):

- (i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting or proposing to conduct business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council; and
- (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which:

- (i) could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party; and
- (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

Tenders for the supply of goods, the provision of services or the carrying out of works.

Specifically, the present matter relates to consideration of options for the future of the Southend Caravan Park.

This order shall operate **until further order of the Council** and will be reviewed at least annually in accordance with the Act.

2. Pursuant to Section 91(9)(c) of the Act, the Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to revoke this order and must advise the Council of the revocation of this order as soon as possible after such revocation has occurred.

Cr Muhovics seconded

CARRIED

Meeting closed at 8.44 pm.

Taken as presented and confirmed.

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MAYOR

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