

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL, VINDEK STREET,
WINTON ON WEDNESDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2009,
COMMENCING AT 8.05AM.

Present: Cr EL Warren (Mayor), Cr JE Sale, Cr PS Mann, Cr DR Nichols and
Cr LA Fraser.

Chief Executive Officer - G Coulton
Director of Corporate and Economic Development - A Rayment
Minute Secretary - D Murphy

Director of Engineering Mr D Timms, Acting Overseer Mr J Heslin,
Acting Water Officer Mr R Dooley and Workshop Supervisor Mr P
Stephens.

Item 1: Apologies
Nil

Item 2: Confirmation of Minutes - General Meeting
01.09.09 Moved Cr Mann Seconded Cr Fraser
That the minutes of the General Meeting held on 18th August 2009,
Folio 15475 to Folio 15485, be confirmed.

CARRIED

With the agreement of Council, Standing Orders were suspended to
permit earlier attention to the Engineering section of the meeting.

Item 3: OFFICER'S REPORTS

DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING'S REPORT

Engineering Business Arising

ENGINEERING MATTERS ARISING

F 15141 Rural Addressing
Resolved that the matter remain on Business Arising.

F15176 Awning at the front of library
A quote received from Brett Webber Constructions.
Resolved that the matter remain on Business Arising.

F15328 That the Director of Engineering conduct a review of the
possibility of improvement to the Corfield Water Supply
and report to Council.
Resolved that the matter remain on Business Arising.

- F 15349** The Overseer is required to prepare a plan for the fencing of the Springvale Rail Line interpretation site for submission to the Consulting Engineer for approval. Resolved that the matter remain on Business Arising.
- F 15379** Final report and plans for Elderslie Street beautification. Resolved that the matter remain on Business Arising.
- F15380** Council requested a report to the March 2009 Council meeting to as the location and ongoing maintenance requirements of the UHF Repeater Stations within the Shire. Arrangements have been put in place for ongoing service. Resolved that the matter be removed from Business Arising.

Engineering Correspondence

- 1) Caltex Fuel Depot Site Controller - 434/262
Advising of dust problem in the vicinity of the Caltex Fuel Depot.

02.09.09 **Recommendation:**
Resolved that the CEO and Director of Engineering meet with Mr Colin Voss, the Site Controller, to discuss possible remedial actions that could be utilised to reduce the dust problem at the Caltex Fuel Depot Chirnside Street Winton.

- 2) Queensland Transport - 3/872
Advising Council was not successful for Regional Airport Development Grant Scheme – Winton Airport.

03.09.09 **Recommendation:**
Resolved that Council reapply in the 2009/2010 round of RADS funding for a grant to reconstruct the aprons and taxi way of the Winton Airport.

Officer's Reports Water Officer's Report

Departure: At this stage, the Acting Water Officer left the meeting, the time being 8.56am.

Workshop Supervisor's Report

Departure: At this stage, the Workshop Supervisor left the meeting, the time being 9.15am.

Safety Officer's Report
Overseer's Report

04.09.09 Resolved that the plaque for the Warren "Wagga" Thomson Building be placed on the front of the Depot building.

Departure: At this stage, the Acting Overseer left the meeting, the time being 9.20am.

Engineer's Report

Plant Replacement Program

Declaration of

Interest: At this stage, Cr Sale declared an interest in the matter and left the meeting, the time being 9.25am.

05.09.09 **Backhoe**
Moved Cr Fraser Seconded Cr Nichols
That Council ratify the Acting CEO's decision to award the tender for the purchase of the JCB 3CX Road Runner Backhoe from Construction Equipment Australia, for \$150,479.72 (ex gst), although not the lowest price backhoe the JCB machine is a quality product and in the opinion of Workshop Manager, Mr Peter Stephens is a superior machine to all others on the market and that whole of life cost for a JCB backhoe would be less than other quoted backhoes.

CARRIED

06.09.09 Moved Cr Mann Seconded Cr Nichols
That Council ratify the Acting CEO's decision to award the tender for the sale of the JCB Backhoe (Plant No.411) to Sale Enterprises Pty Ltd for the amount of \$55,500.00 (inc GST) as the highest conforming tender.

CARRIED

Attendance: At this stage, Cr Sale returned to the meeting, the time being 9.28am.

07.09.09 **Linemarking Machine**
Moved Cr Mann Seconded Cr Nichols
That Council ratify the Acting CEO's decision to award the tender for the purchase of a Graco Linemarking Machine from Linemark (Mackay) for \$10,373.18 (ex gst) changeover as the lowest conforming tender.

CARRIED

- 08.09.09 **Swimming Pool Solar Heating**
Moved Cr Sale Seconded Cr Mann
That Council ratify the Acting CEO's decision to award the tender for the Swimming Pool Solar Heating to Todd Jones Pool Services for \$61,687.73 (ex gst) as the lowest conforming tender.

CARRIED

General Business For the Director of Engineering

Cr Warren noted recent correspondence with respect to future TIDS Funding and the need to identify strategic road planning programs and projects.

Cr Nichols noted that the Richmond end of the Winton/Richmond Road is in poor condition and that Richmond Shire's administration needs to be made aware of the situation.

Cr Mann asked that a check list of issues raised at Community Meetings be kept and Councillors informed of the time frame and actions taken to address the issues.

Adjournment: At this stage, the meeting adjourned for morning tea, the time being 10.05am, and resumed at 10.38am, with those previously in attendance still in attendance.

Director of Engineering provided a status report on the sewer relining project and the work scheduled for this financial year.

Director of Engineering provided an estimate of approximately \$7,200 for landscaping works adjacent to the medical practice on the corner of Blomfield and Oondooroo Streets Winton.

- 09.09.09 Resolved that the Hospital Administrator be advised of the estimated cost of the landscaping works and that Council will undertake to review the need for this work in conjunction with the construction of the proposed new hospital and assess landscaping and area beautification requirements that this will entail.

Director Engineering Mr Timms sought clarification on "local supplier" status with respect to the purchase of Council plant/vehicles.

- 10.09.09 Resolved that the post code 4735 was considered "local".

- 11.09.09 **Director of Engineering Report**
Mover Cr Mann
That the Director of Engineering Report be received. Seconded Cr Sale
- CARRIED**

Departure: At this stage, the Director of Engineering left the meeting, the time being 11.25am.

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Business Arising

Country and Regional Living Expo (F15 429)
The DCEO to contact RAPAD General Manager to confirm Winton Shire Council's attendance.

Meeting Reports

Work Program Local Area Committee Meeting

- 12.09.09 Resolved that Council be provided with an estimated cost for the sealing of the access road to the Work Camp.
- 13.09.09 Resolved that Council allow the portable panels to be used for ongoing cattle sales at the Winton saleyards and that the panels be returned to the Showground after the cattle selling season in 2009.
- 14.09.09 Resolved that the original guidelines for Work Camp assistance to Community Groups and individuals/clients be sought so that future applications for assistance can be adjudicated as to their eligibility for such assistance.

Late Correspondence

Brodie Agencies (tabled)

Requesting an extra computer be installed at the saleyards to facilitate speedier sales.

- 15.09.09 Mover Cr Nichols Seconded Cr Mann
That the combined agents be requested to contribute 50% towards the cost of an additional computer program and installation at the Winton Saleyard Complex, and further that they be advised that Council will undertake to maintain the facility and ensure its viability and utility in cattle sale operations.

CARRIED

Showground Users Committee Meeting

- 16.09.09 Resolved that Council support the construction of a speed bump and

barrier extension within the stable complex; allow installation of a new gate into the arena; erect shade shelter at the main gate; and create the requested signage at the grounds and additional signage on the access roads providing designated entries.

Tourism Strategy Committee Meeting
Shire Beautification and Cemetery Advisory Committee Meeting

17.09.09 Moved Cr Warren Second Cr Sale
That Council reduce the wholesale price of "Vision Splendid" from \$45 to \$30.

CARRIED

Vote

Against: Cr Fraser requested her "vote against" be recorded.

Shire Beautification and Cemetery Advisory Committee Meeting

Officer's Reports

Parks and Gardens Report
Airport Caretaker's Report
Library Report
Tourism Development Officer's Report

The Director of Corporate and Economic Development updated Council with a funding opportunity to transform old Council buildings into creative and active spaces under the Gritty Places Partnership Program.

18.09.09 Moved Cr Fraser Seconded Cr Nichols
That Council nominate the youth building or the Creative Arts building (whichever is suitable) for Gritty Places Partnership Funding.

CARRIED

Departure: Cr Warren left the meeting and Cr Mann assumed the Chair 12.50pm.

19.09.09 **Director of Corporate and Economic Development Report**
Moved Cr Fraser Seconded Cr Nichols
That the Director of Corporate and Economic Development's Report be received.

CARRIED

The CEO advised Council of the absence from work of the Rural Family Support Worker and that the Department of Communities were monitoring the program with the reduced staff commitment.

Attendance: At this stage, Cr Warren returned to the meeting, the time being 12.53pm, and resumed the Chair.

Attendance: At this stage, the Director of Environmental Health and Community Services, Ms Kimberley Morgan attended the meeting, the time being 12.55pm.

DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Officer's Reports

Community Options Report
Community and Individual Support Worker's Report
Youth Development Worker's Report
Child Care Director's Report
Sixty and Better Coordinator's Report

Director of Environmental Health and Community Services Report

20.09.09 Moved Cr Nichols Seconded Cr Fraser
That the Director of Environmental Health and Community Services Report be received.

CARRIED

Departure: At this stage, the Director of Environmental Health and Community Services left the meeting, the time being 1.14 pm.

Adjournment: At this stage, the meeting adjourned for lunch, the time being 1.15 pm and resumed at 2.20 pm with those previously in attendance still in attendance. Minute Secretary Ms D Murphy was replaced by Ms C Cooper for the remainder of the meeting.

DIRECTOR OF GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE REPORT CEO'S Report

Financial Report/Statements

Council was presented with the Unaudited Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2009.

21.09.09 Moved Cr Mann Seconded Cr Sale
That the Unaudited Financial Report for the year ended 30th June 2009 be adopted and the Management Certificate signed.

CARRIED

Council was presented with the Financial Reports for the period ended 30th August 2009.

Departure: At this stage, Cr Fraser left for prior appointment, the time being 2.30 pm.

Business Arising

22.09.09 Legal Action for Recovery of Sundry Debts/Rates
Resolved that the matter remain on Business Arising.

Correspondence

Financial Correspondence

Item 3: Ms G Seeney - Pf 703/0
Advising she had paid rates by electronic transfer before due date, however, the NAB failed to process the payment and the rates were not paid before the due date of the 17th August 2009. Requesting Council consideration of allowing discount despite the fact the payment was physically made on the 25th August 2009.

23.09.09 Move Cr Mann Cr J Sale
That Ms Seeney be advised that, although Council sympathises with that fact she attempted to make the payment within the discount period, the fact remains that the transfer of funds was not received into Council's Bank account until the 25th August 2009. Council suggests the matter be raised with the NAB as the Domestic Funds Transfer Report supplied indicates that the transfer was attempted on the 10th August 2009. Further, that as Council also banks with the NAB any financial transfers usually immediately impacted between accounts given that there was funds clearance. Given the circumstances the discount cannot be allowed.

CARRIED

General Correspondence

Item 4: The Australian Hotel - 104/483
Applying for uniformity with other licenced premises in Winton in allowing a 1.5 metre footpath thoroughfare adjacent to the Australian Hotel.

24.09.09 **Recommendation:**
Moved Cr Mann Seconded Cr Nichols
That Council approves a 1.5 metre footpath thoroughfare adjacent to and past the Australian Hotel, Elderslie St. Winton. Conditions shall include:

- A straight line clear footpath thoroughfare 1.5 metres wide,
- No obstructions of any kind are to within the designated footpath thoroughfare, and

- The area is to be kept in a clean and tidy condition, free from any trip and slip hazards.

CARRIED

Item 5: Winton Combined Agents - 342/498
Thanking Council for support for recent sales and asking Council to consider further use of portable panels and Winton WORK assistance with moving same.

Recommendation:
Decision of Council.

Dealt with earlier.

CEO's Report

Meeting Reports

Shire Rural Land Management Committee Shire Advisory Meeting
14th August 2009.

25.09.09 Resolved that the CEO and the Shire Rural Land Officer organise a meeting of the Advisory Committee to discuss the release of the Management and Use of Stock Routes Network Report and Recommendations

Officer's Reports

Winton SES Controller's Report

Council was advised there was some interest in the positions of Local Controller and Deputy Local Controller and that the matters would be before Council's October 2009 meeting for decision.

Shire Rural Land Officer's Report

It was noted the next scheduled information day would be held at Corfield on 1st October 2009.

Corfield Reserve Report

Middleton Reserve Report

Winton Common Ranger's Report

It was reported that cattle were straying from Winton Town Common at the Jessamine Creek and the fences needed inspection.

Saleyards Report

Council requested that the Saleyards Report include data under three (3) headings – Weighbridge Numbers, Spelling Numbers and Sales Numbers.

CEO's Report

Moved Cr Mann

Seconded Cr Sale

26.09.09 That the CEO's Report be received.

CARRIED

Attendance: At this stage, Cr Fraser returned to the meeting, the time being 3.00pm.

Item 4: Listed Correspondence

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Local Govt – 3/873

Advising outcome of Remote Aerodrome Safety Program.

Item 5: Consideration of Notices Motion

Item 6: Petitions

Item 7: General Business

The CEO advised that Dennis Kirby of the CT Management Group will be attending the next Council meeting at 10.00 am to discuss Asset Management .

The CEO was requested to approach Mr C Angus and ask that the truck in front of Winton Automotive Repairs across the footpath be removed as it was impeding pedestrian traffic.

Cr Nichols advised that the Winton 2020 report was nearing completion.

The Mayor reminded Councillors that Tuesday, 22nd September was the Agforce Wild Rivers Forum and that a Council car will be made available for Councillors wishing to attend.

The Mayor advised that QTC will be in Winton on Tuesday 22nd September as part of their annual road trip.

The Mayor advised of a visit by US Consul General on Tuesday 27th October 2009 and that Council would be providing an official function

Cr Fraser gave a report on her meeting with QANTASLink in Longreach.

Cr Warren gave a report on the recent WMC Board Meeting.

27.09.09 Moved Cr Mann Seconded Cr Nichols
That Cr Ed Warren and Mr Bruce Collins be endorsed as Council's nominations to the WMC Board.

CARRIED

The Mayor tabled the Central West Regional Plan – September 2009 and advised Council that the document would have implications in Council's future planning.

Crs Fraser and Nichols will attend Landcare Conference in Longreach in October.

The CEO was instructed to approach Michael Crapp regarding the unloading of goods from a truck parked in the centre of Oondooroo Street adjacent to the old Winton Motors building.

The Mayor advised that the Old Powerhouse Buildings and engine at Sesbania Street Winton has been identified as a potential museum. Issues to be addressed are:

- Contaminated site land,
- Dilapidated buildings.
- Ongoing maintenance and costs
- The current peppercorn lease of \$1 per annum paid in 1987 for 100 years.

Ergon will be writing to Council regarding the resolution of the matter.

28.09.09 Moved Cr Fraser Seconded Cr J Sale
Crs Warren and Mann be authorised to attend the National Local Roads and Transport Congress 2009 – 8-10 November 2009 in Mackay.

CARRIED

Angel Flight Australia - It was decided Council would not be participating in "Earth Angels".

The CEO was asked to investigate Council's powers to control Caravans permanently parked on the footpaths within Winton.

Item 8:

Dates Next Meeting

- October Ordinary Meeting 15th October, 2009
- November Ordinary Meeting 19th November, 2009

Folio 15497
16th September, 2009

Item 9: Other Items if Any
Nil

Closure: The meeting closed at 4.30 pm

Confirmation: Confirmed before me this 15th October, 2009.

Signed
Cr EL Warren
MAYOR