

SHIRE OF MENZIES

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF MENZIES, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MENZIES, ON FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2004 COMMENCING AT 9.20AM.

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Shire President declared the meeting open at 9.20am.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED

Present:	Cr K Finlayson	Shire President
	Cr K Pusey	Deputy Shire President
	Cr R Earnshaw	
	Cr K Purchase	(Left 1.30pm)
	Cr P Kennedy	
	Cr I McGregor	
	Mr. Tony Nottle	Chief Executive Officer

Apologies: Cr S Tonkin

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

As there were no members of the public present, Public Question Time was closed at 9.22am

4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY SHIRE PRESIDENT WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Cr I McGregor - queried why the Council did not support the Shire of Sandstone financially to clarify the situation regarding camping on pastoral property.

Cr K Finlayson – explained that the inconsistency with various acts and the fact that this investigation has been done before, was the reason for Council's decision that deemed the financial contribution not necessary.

A discussion took place regarding certain examples of camper's rights.

Cr K Finlayson - informed Council that the investigation is believed to be in the hands of the Western Australian Local Government Association.

COUNCIL DECISION**ITEM 6.1**

MOVED Cr K Pusey

SECONDED Cr R Earnshaw

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 15th October 2004, having previously been circulated be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

7. STATUS REPORT**7.1** Status Report as at 12th November 2004.

Council included Deputy President Cr K Pusey's report regarding the Tjuntjuntjarra Community in item 1 as it discussed the same topic.

Item No 1

- Cr K Pusey tabled his report regarding the visit to the Tjuntjuntjarra Community with the CEO and Works Supervisor. The roads in the Eastern Sector within the Shire were pointed out to Council on a map displayed on the Whiteboard.
- Council discussed the implication of including ALL roads within the Shire on its maintenance program.
- Cr I McGregor asked if Shire staff could investigate the funding information provided from the Grants Commission further.
- A discussion took place regarding all implications involved with the Tjuntjuntjarra Community.

Cr Pusey left the room at 10.20 am

Cr Pusey returned to the room at 10.22 am

COUNCIL DECISION

MOVED Cr P Kennedy

SECONDED Cr R Earnshaw

That the Chief Executive Officer write to the Local Government Advisory Board advising that the Shire of Menzies do not wish to proceed with the excision of the Tjuntjuntjarra Community at this stage, and that the Council will evaluate the implications as soon as possible and discuss future management with the Community of Tjuntjuntjarra.

CARRIED 6/0

Item No 2

- Cr P Kennedy asked the Council what the status of the proposed mining camp situation was in town and did the Menzies Hotel still have support from the Shire.
- Cr K Finlayson informed Cr Kennedy of the recent meetings with Mining companies regarding future mining camps, and that the Hotel still had support from the Council.

Council broke for morning tea at 11.05 am

Meeting resumed at 11.25am with all in attendance.

8. FINANCIAL REPORTS

8.1 Financial Statements – to 31st October 2004.

COUNCIL DECISION / OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 8.1

MOVED Cr R Earnshaw

SECONDED Cr P Kennedy

That the Financial Statements for the period to 31st October 2004 as presented, be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

8.2 Accounts for Payment

COUNCIL DECISION / OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 8.2

MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED Cr P Kennedy

That cheque numbers 2490 - 2564 and direct bank payments totaling \$448,849.59 which have been paid by the Chief Executive Officer under delegated authority, be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

8.3 Rates Write - Off

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 303
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 10th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Background

Due to advice received from the Valuer General, Land Asset Management Services, Credipac Australia (debt collector), or for other reasons, the following tenements / lots are required to be written off.

Comment

The following schedule identifies the property rates to be written off along with the reason and the amounts.

Asses s No	Name	Tenement No	Reason for Write Off	Amount Outstandin g	ESL Componen t	LG Amount to Write Off
6766	Westex Resource s P/L	P29/1630	Amalgamate d Lease. Charged	\$144.20	\$0.00	\$144.20

			Twice for same portion of land			
1152	J R Anscomb	Lot 551 Sheridan Street	Paid o/standing amount. Requires Fees to be rectified	\$66.66	\$0.00	\$66.66
1195	Katherine Boreham	Lot 654 Ballard Street	Handed back to Crown prior 30 June 04	\$167.25	\$30.44	\$136.81
1196	Katherine Boreham	Lot 655 Ballard Street	Handed back to Crown prior 30 June 04	\$167.25	\$30.44	\$136.81
1198	Katherine Boreham	Lot 657 Suiter Street	Handed back to Crown prior 30 June 04	\$167.25	\$30.44	\$136.81
1199	Katherine Boreham	Lot 658 Suiter Street	Handed back to Crown prior 30 June 04	\$167.25	\$30.44	\$136.81
1200	Katherine Boreham	Lot 659 Suiter Street	Handed back to Crown prior 30 June 04	\$167.25	\$30.44	\$136.81
10044	Bruce Acton	P30/00952	Late posting of Rate Notice – missed discount	\$7.69	\$0.00	\$7.69
2802	Peter Humphrey	M30/00142	Debt Collection unsuccessful	\$1083.49	\$61.73	\$1021.76
1182	Peter Pieri	Lot 581 Ballard Street	Old Lot	\$347.45	\$61.73	\$285.72
7003	CALM	Goongarrie Station	Government Agency – Does not pay rates	\$1342.38	\$1342.38	\$1342.38
8142	J & C McAllan	Lot 518 Cumberland Street	Forfeited Lease on 02.06.03 – No rates owed	\$346.49	\$61.73	\$284.76
				\$4,174.61	\$1,679.77	\$3,837.22

Consultation

No external consultation is required to be carried out.

Statutory Environment

Permitted by the Local Government Act 1995

Policy Implications - There are no current Council policies which relate to this item.

Financial Implications

Provision has been made in the budget for the write off of doubtful debts.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	ITEM 8.3
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MOVED Cr R Earnshaw

SECONDED Cr K Pusey

That rates totalling \$3,837.22, be written off and that the amount of \$1,679.77 be requested to be written off by FESA.

CARRIED 6/0

9. WORKS REPORTS

The Report by Works Supervisor, Mr. Brad Pepper, for the period to 12th November 2004 was tabled for the information of Councillors.

9.2 Tender MN 120 – Supply of 3-5 t Truck & Trailer

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 408/MN 120
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 12th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

The Chief Executive Officer called for numerous plant tenders under delegated authority, as per the items required in the 2004/2005 budget. The consideration of this tender is required.

Background

Tenders were opened in accordance with Council Policy 2.5.

Tender MN 120 – Supply of 3-5 tonne Truck & Trailer was advertised in the West Australian and Kalgoorlie Miner newspapers on the 16th October 2004, and closed 10th November 2004 at 4.00 pm.

Tenders were opened in the presence of:

Bob Earnshaw	Councillor
Tony Nottle	Chief Executive Officer
Tom Darcey	CJD Equipment
Ian Waite	Komatsu Australia P/L

And in the following order:

Eastside Commercials
Skipper Trucks x 4 options
P&G Body Builders
Purcher International x 4 options
Hino

Comment

The Chief Executive Officer has requested that the Works Supervisor assess all the tenders and make a recommendation regarding which is the best option. Attached overleaf is his recommendation, (to which the Chief Executive Officer agrees), as well as a summary of the tenders received.

The recommendation is for the Hino Dutro 6500 medium, and the 4.5t trailer constructed by P&G body builders.

Consultation

Successful and unsuccessful tenderers will need to be notified of the outcome as per the Local Government Act 1995.

Statutory Environment

Section 3.57(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 provides that a Local Government is required to invite tenders before it enters into a contract of a prescribed kind under which another person is to supply goods and services. Local Government (Functions and General) Regulation 11 states that the tenders must be invited if the consideration under the contract is expected to be worth more than \$50,000.00.

Policy Implications – Council Policy 2.5 Relates

Financial Implications –

This has a direct effect on the 2004/2005 budget. Council staff has arranged the tender to include three (3) capital purchases in the one tender. (Truck, skid steer trailer and the hi-ab.)

Council allocated in the 2004/05 budget:

- \$50,000 – Purchase of new town truck
- \$10,000 – Purchase of skid steer trailer
- \$7,000 – Purchase of Hi-Ab for new truck.
- TOTAL \$67,000**

The recommendations total cost to Council is \$65,328.00, which falls under budget for all of the items.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	ITEM 9.2
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MOVED Cr K Pusey

SECONDED Cr I McGregor

That Council award Tender MN 120 to WA Hino, for the purchase of a Hino Dutro 6500 Medium for \$52,528 ex GST (includes Hi-Ab) with the option of the trailer fabricated by P & G Body Builders for \$12,800 ex GST.

CARRIED 6/0

9.3 Tender MN 121 – Supply of Motor Grader

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 408 / MN 121
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 12th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

The Chief Executive Officer called for numerous plant tenders under delegated authority, as per the items required in the 2004/2005 budget. The consideration of this tender is required.

Background

Tenders were opened in accordance with Council Policy 2.5.

Tender MN 121 – Supply of Motor Grader was advertised in the West Australian and Kalgoorlie Miner newspapers on the 16th October 2004, and closed 10th November 2004 at 4.00 pm.

Tenders were opened in the presence of:

Bob Earnshaw	Councillor
Tony Nottle	Chief Executive Officer
Tom Darcey	CJD Equipment
Ian Waite	Komatsu Australia P/L

And in the following order:

Mayday Earthmoving
Hedger's Heavy Equipment Sales
Komatsu Australia P/L
Westrac Equipment P/L
Hitachi Construction Machinery (Australia) P/L
BT Equipment P/L x 2 options
CJD Equipment P/L x 2 options

Comment

The Chief Executive Officer has requested that the Works Supervisor assess all the tenders and make a recommendation regarding which is the best option. Attached overleaf is his recommendation, (to which the Chief Executive Officer agrees), as well as a summary of the tenders received.

The recommendation is for the Caterpillar 12H submitted by Westrac. The issue here is delivery date.

Consultation

Successful and unsuccessful tenderers will need to be notified of the outcome as per the Local Government Act 1995.

Statutory Environment

Section 3.57(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 provides that a Local Government is required to invite tenders before it enters into a contract of a prescribed kind under which another person is to supply goods and services. Local Government (Functions and General) Regulation 11 states that the tenders must be invited if the consideration under the contract is expected to be worth more than \$50,000.00.

Policy Implications – Council Policy 2.5 Relates

Financial Implications –

This has a direct effect on the 2004/2005 budget.

Council allocated in the 2004/05 budget:

\$300,000 – Purchase of new grader
\$90,000 – Sale of current Caterpillar 12 G

Westrac Equipment tendered

\$300,700 – Purchase of new Caterpillar 12H
\$105,000 – Sale of current Caterpillar 12G

As the purchase price of the new grader is almost exactly the budget amount, an extra \$15,000 has been offered for the trade.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 9.3

MOVED Cr K Pusey

SECONDED Cr I McGregor

That Council award Tender MN 121 to Westrac Equipment, for the purchase of a Caterpillar 12H for \$300,700.00 ex GST, and trade the current Caterpillar 12G to Westrac Equipment for \$105,000 ex GST.

CARRIED 6/0

9.4 Tender MN 122 – Supply of Vibrating Roller

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 408 / MN 122
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 12th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

The Chief Executive Officer called for numerous plant tenders under delegated authority, as per the items required in the 2004/2005 budget. The consideration of this tender is required.

Background

Tenders were opened in accordance with Council Policy 2.5.

Tender MN 122 – Supply of Vibrating Roller was advertised in the West Australian and Kalgoorlie Miner newspapers on the 16th October 2004, and closed 10th November 2004 at 4.00 pm.

Tenders were opened in the presence of:

Bob Earnshaw	Councillor
Tony Nottle	Chief Executive Officer
Tom Darcey	CJD Equipment
Ian Waite	Komatsu Australia P/L

And in the following order:

Wirtgen Group	3 options
Welquip	2 options
Clarklift WA	3 options
Dynapac Australia	2 options
Westrac Equipment	3 options
Casewest	1 options
BT Equipment	2 options

Comment

The Chief Executive Officer has requested that the Works Supervisor assess all the tenders and make a recommendation regarding which is the best option. Attached overleaf is his recommendation, (to which the Chief Executive Officer agrees), as well as a summary of the tenders received.

The recommendation is for the Bomag BW214 DH-4 submitted by BT Equipment. This came a very close first to the Caterpillar CS573E due to Westrac's warranty, however the Bomag is far superior for weight to cost ratio.

Consultation

Successful and unsuccessful tenderers will need to be notified of the outcome as per the Local Government Act 1995.

Statutory Environment

Section 3.57(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 provides that a Local Government is required to invite tenders before it enters into a contract of a prescribed kind under which another person is to supply goods and services. Local Government (Functions and General) Regulation 11 states that the tenders must be invited if the consideration under the contract is expected to be worth more than \$50,000.00.

Policy Implications – Council Policy 2.5 Relates

Financial Implications –

This has a direct effect on the 2004/2005 budget.

Council allocated in the 2004/05 budget:

\$150,000 – Purchase of Steel Vibrating Roller

BT Equipment Tendered:

\$147,000 – Purchase of new Bomag BW214DH-4

The granting of this tender would come in under budget by \$3,000.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION **ITEM 9.4**

That Council award Tender MN 122 to BT Equipment, for the purchase of a Bomag 214DH-4 vibrating roller for \$147,000.00 ex GST.

COUNCIL DECISION **ITEM 9.4**

MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED Cr R Earnshaw

That Council award Tender MN 122 to Westrac Equipment, for the purchase of a Caterpillar CS-573E vibrating roller for \$153,970 ex GST.

CARRIED 6/0

Reason for Change-

Council opted to purchase the machine recommended at no.2 (Cat CS-573E) due to the fact that service accessibility and the commonality between the Cat 12H grader and itself would be more beneficial to Council.

10. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER & RANGER REPORTS

10.1 Environmental Health Officers Report

Nil

10.2 Rangers Report

The Ranger's Report for October was tabled for Councillor information.

Council broke for lunch at 12.40 pm

Meeting resumed at 1.30 with all in attendance except Cr K Purchase.

11.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.1.1 Annual Report 2003/2004

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 113b
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 10th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

Council is requested to receive the Annual Report 2003/2004.

Background

Council is required to formally receive the Shire's Annual Report each year, prior to the 31 December as per the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995. Once the Council has accepted the Annual Report, according to section 5.27 (2) of the Local Government Act 1995, an Annual Meeting of Electors must be held within 56 days.

Comment

The Annual Report was prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995. The CEO will then advertise the Annual Meeting of Electors to be held on the decided date. Council must advertise for 14 days; therefore the ideal date would be 17th December, prior to the Ordinary Meeting of Council

Consultation –

Once the Council has received the Annual Report for 2003/2004, an advertisement will be placed in the West Australian and the Kalgoorlie Miner indicating that the report is

available and that the Annual meeting of Electors will be held on the date decided by Council.

Statutory Environment

Section 5.53 – Requires that a Local Government is to prepare an annual report

Section 5.54 – States the specific details to be covered in the report.

Policy Implications – There are no current policies relating to this matter.

Financial Implications – Reporting on financial activity in the 2003/2004 financial year.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	ITEM 11.1.1
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MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED Cr K Pusey

1. That the Annual Report for the Shire of Menzies for the year ended 30th June 2004, be received.
2. That the Annual Meeting of Electors be held prior to the Ordinary Meeting of Council, at 1pm, 17th December 2004.

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.2	Application for Mining Tenement
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Location: Ularring Ward
Applicant: Frontier Mining Pty Ltd
File Ref: 213
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 10th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

Frontier Mining requests the approval of Council for their application for a mining tenement within the Shire boundary.

Background

Council has received an application from the above-mentioned company for a current exploration license E30/294.

Comment

As the application suggests, if Council has any objection to the granting of this tenement, the deadline is the 29th November 2004. As far as the author is concerned, there seems to be no reason to object to the mining tenement.

Consultation – No external consultation has been carried out.

Statutory Environment -

Policy Implications – There are no current policies that relate to this matter.

Financial Implications –

It can be assumed that the upgrading from an exploration to a mining lease will result in an increase of rates revenue on this tenement.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.1.2

MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED R Earnshaw

That Council raise no objection to the application for mining tenement for Frontier Mining Pty Ltd for current exploration license on E30/294

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.3 Change of Restricted and Prohibited Burning Periods Within the Shire of Menzies

Location: Menzies District
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 211
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 10th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

The author requests Council to consider altering the current restriction periods regarding the prohibited and restricted burning dates within the Shire of Menzies.

Background

Council was recently informed by way of verbal report that the restricted and prohibited burning periods for the Shire of Menzies were not only confusing, but also made it difficult for residents and landowners to do controlled burns around property etc.

Currently, Menzies has the following dates:

1st August – 31st April – PROHIBITED
1st October – 30th April – RESTRICTED

Comment

The above dates seem to conflict one another in the fact that for eight (8) months, lighting of all fires is prohibited. However during these months, a period of five (5) months is restricted.

To make a more clarified restricted and prohibited burning period, it is suggested that the following periods be adopted.

1st November – 31st January – PROHIBITED
19th September – 15th March – RESTRICTED

This provides the public a period of a little more than seven (7) months where burning is permitted. At present only six (6) weeks are available for residents/landowners to burn without a permit.

Consultation – Council will need to write to Fire and Emergency Services WA to request that the burning periods be changed.

Statutory Environment – Bush Fires Act 1954

Section 17 – The Minister may approve the change of Prohibited Burning periods on the Authority’s advice

Section 18 – The Authority may amend the change of Restricted Burning periods.

Policy Implications – There are no current policies relating to this matter.

Financial Implications – Nil

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	ITEM 11.1.3
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That Council request the Fire and Emergency Services WA to consider the following:

1. To authorise the change of Prohibited Burning Period to 1st November – 31st January and;
2. To authorise the change of Restricted Burning Period to 19th September – 15th March.

COUNCIL DECISION	ITEM 11.1.3
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MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED P Kennedy

That Council request the Fire and Emergency Services WA to consider the following:

1. To authorise the change of Prohibited Burning Period to 1st November – 15th March and;
2. To authorise the change of Restricted Burning Period to 19th September – 15th March.

CARRIED 5/0

Reason for Change-

Council believed that the period between January and March is still extremely dry and therefore a fire hazard.

11.1.4 Request to Purchase Reserves 6150 & 6151 for Proposed Menzies Power Station

Location:	Menzies Townsite
Applicant:	N/A
File Ref:	207
Disclosure of Interest:	None
Date:	10 th November 2004
Author:	Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:	

Summary

Western Power has approached the Department for Planning and Infrastructure, Land Asset Management Services (DPI, LAMS) to purchase Reserves 6150 & 6151 located to the South East of the Menzies Townsite. DPI, LAMS requests comments from Council.

Background

Western Power has previously spoken to Council about the change of site for the proposed power station. Council has written to Western Power indicating its support in acquiring the reserves.

Comment

DPI, LAMS have requested any comment from Council. It seems that while planning issues are being pursued by Western Power, Council have no objection to the sale of the reserve.

Consultation – No external consultation has been undertaken.

Statutory Environment –

Policy Implications –

There are no current policies of Council which relate to this particular circumstance.

Financial Implications – Nil

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.1.4

MOVED Cr K Pusey

SECONDED Cr R Earnshaw

That Council write to the Department for Planning and Infrastructure, Land Asset Management Services, indicating that Council raise no objection to the sale of Reserves 6150 and 6151.

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.5 Amendment to Financial Regulations

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 136
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 10th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

The West Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) has requested Council's comments regarding the recent proposed Financial Management Regulation amendment.

Background

Council will recall recently, comments made by the new Minister for Local Government and Regional Development, Ms. Ljiljana Ravlich, regarding the concessions offered to residents in the Shire of Augusta – Margaret River.

A short background is detailed in the attachment.

Comment

While the intentions of the Minister may be clear to some, it can be seen (as Cr. Mitchell has mentioned) that this is an unnecessary amendment and reduces the autonomy of Local Government.

Out of principle it would seem that local government should not support this amendment, as it is an amendment created from a reaction to recent events.

Consultation – No consultation is required to be carried out.

Statutory Environment – Changes to the Financial Management Regulations 1996.

Policy Implications – No current policies apply to this matter.

Financial Implications - The proposed amendment does not affect the Shire of Menzies rate revenue at this stage.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.1.5

MOVED Cr K Pusey

SECONDED Cr P Kennedy

That Council indicate to the West Australian Local Government Association that it does not support the draft amendment to the Financial Management Regulations.

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.6 Marmion Village Community Layout Plan

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 231
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 10th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

The Menzies Aboriginal Corporation requests the Council to endorse the Marmion Village Community Layout Plan prepared for the Corporation.

Background

For the past six (6) to nine (9) months Planwest (Paul Bashall) has been preparing the Community Plan for the Marmion Village.

A final document has been prepared and signed by the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation.

Comment

While the document is in many ways, a planning scheme, it does not effect the Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme. The area affected is listed as a special purpose as “Aboriginal Settlement” in the Menzies Town Planning Scheme.

Consultation – There are no advertising or other requirements imposed on the Council.

Statutory Environment -

Policy Implications – No current policies apply to this matter.

Financial Implications – Nil

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	ITEM 11.1.6
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MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED Cr P Kennedy

That Council endorse the Marmion Village Community Layout Plan.

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.7	Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme Amendment No. 2
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Location:	Menzies Townsite
Applicant:	Western Power
File Ref:	207
Disclosure of Interest:	None
Date:	11 th November 2004
Author:	Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:	

Summary

To accommodate the change for the change of site for the proposed Power Station Site, various Town Planning Scheme Amendments need to be made. Western Power request that Council change the plan to accommodate what is required.

Background

At Council's October meeting, Western Power requested Council's support to acquire land to the East of the railway reserve to place the new power station.

Council agreed and was made aware that certain town planning scheme amendments would be required to accommodate the change.

Western Power engaged Paul Bashall of Planwest to organise an amendment proposal, as he was aware of the Menzies Town Planning Scheme. Paul has prepared a draft resolution for Council to adopt in order to advance proceedings.

Comment

Initially, there was an issue over the Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme Amendment No.1. This meant that the new power station may be too close to the railway station which was listed as R10 zoning.

Western Power has since advised that it is able to provide a 120 metre buffer to which is sufficient.

Consultation –

Various advertising and consultation will have to be undertaken as per the Town Planning and Development Act 1928.

Statutory Environment –

To accommodate the proposed land use Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme No. 1. will need to be amended.

Section 7 of the Town Planning and Development Act 1928 indicates that Local Government may make an amendment to a Town Planning Scheme.

Policy Implications

There are no current policies that relate to this particular circumstance.

Financial Implications

Western Power are bearing all costs of the amendment and therefore there is no burden to Council.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.1.7

MOVED R Earnshaw

SECONDED Cr P Kennedy

That Council, under and by virtue of the powers conferred upon it in that behalf by the Town Planning & Development Act, (as amended), amends the above Town Planning Scheme by:

- a) Creating a new Local Scheme Reserve ‘Public Purposes – Power Generation’ and amending the Scheme Map legend accordingly.
- b) Reclassifying Lots 864 and 865 Mahon Street, **Menzies** from ‘Rural’ zone to Local Scheme Reserve ‘Public Purposes – Power Generation’,
- c) Reclassifying Reserve 6151, and the Right of Way between Lots 860 and 861, Mahon Street and Reserve 6150, and the Right of Way between Lots 850 and 851, Walton Street, **Menzies** from Local Scheme Reserve ‘Public Purposes’ and no zone to Local Scheme Reserve ‘Public Purposes – Power Generation’ as more clearly shown on the Scheme Amendment Map, and
- d) Adding a new clause as follows;

6.3 SPECIAL CONTROL AREA No 2

Special Control Area No 2 includes all the land within 120 metres from the Power Station located between Mahon, Walton and Trafalgar Streets, Menzies.

6.3.1 No residential or commercial development shall be permitted within the Special Control Area No 2.

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.8	2005 Garden Competition / Tidy Town Competition
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Location:	Menzies
Applicant:	Sue Oliver, Menzies Remote Community School
File Ref:	123
Disclosure of Interest:	None
Date:	11 th November 2004
Author:	Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:	

Summary

The Principal of the Menzies Remote Community School has requested the Council consider hosting a "Best Garden Competition 2005" to be held in conjunction with Tidy Town Awards 2005.

Background

Ms. Oliver has both spoken to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and written to him explaining her plans to encourage pride and tidiness for the locals regarding the appearance of the town.

The CEO requested that her ideas be put to Council to consider.

At the same time, the students at the Menzies Remote Community School have been establishing plants to sell in the community. Ms. Oliver believes that this practical experience for the students is beneficial.

Comment

Ms. Oliver has outlined her ideas as to how the competition will be run. (Attached overleaf) In summary it is as follows:

- ❑ A contest will be held to judge the best garden in Menzies for 2005.
- ❑ Suggestion of the prize being gardening tools etc. prizes (1st prize) and smaller prizes for the 2nd and 3rd placed gardens. (Total not exceeding \$200.00)
- ❑ Shire representative to judge the competition and announce the winner by approximately Term 3.

On the topic of the Tidy Town Award, Menzies has not entered this competition for some 15 years. Of late, our new employee on the town crew has without doubt, made the

townsite look tidy, neat and inviting. Usually the closing period for the Tidy Town Awards is 31st March, although this has not been advertised yet, as the 2004 awards have only just been completed.

The CEO has made a commitment to Ms. Oliver that the School could join in with the Street Tree program.

Consultation – Council will need to nominate the Town for the Tidy Town Awards 2005. Kookynie may also be entered as well.

Statutory Environment – N/A

Policy Implications – There are no current policies that relate to this particular matter.

Financial Implications

The cost to Council for the Gardening competition is minimal. (Approx. \$200.00) Some labour and community time will be involved but to little effect of the Council.

Tidy Town Awards may require in kind as well as funds towards meetings or Awards Nights for attendance.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	ITEM 11.1.8
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MOVED Cr P Kennedy

SECONDED Cr I McGregor

1. That Council enter both Menzies and Kookynie into the Tidy Town Awards 2005.
2. That Council support a “Best Garden Competition” to be formulated between the Chief Executive Officer and the Principal at the Menzies Remote Community School.

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.9	Paid Army Leave under the Local Government Officer’s (1999) Award
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Location: N/A
Applicant: Andrew Jolly
File Ref: 100
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 10th November 2004
Author: Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

Mr. Jolly has requested that Council's consider an amendment to the current Local Government Officer's Award (1999) to make provision for employees to take paid leave while attending training / missions for the Australian Defence Force Reservists.

Background

Mr. Jolly, from the Shire of Carnarvon, emailed Council's earlier this month with this request. Council then received an email from his manager indicating that Mr. Jolly's view is **not** the view of the Carnarvon Shire Council.

Mr. Jolly also makes mention of the financial benefit that Council receives from the Australian Defence Force. (If absent for 2 weeks or longer, employers receive \$948.00 from the ADF per week)

If fifty percent (50%) of Council's agree to the proposal, an amendment may be made.

Comment

This request does not seem to investigate fully, the disadvantages of the proposed amendment. It also does not mention any other Local Government Awards currently under control of many Local Government's either. Some of these Awards include the Municipal Employees Award, Hostel and Carer's Award and many others. At present Our Shire's workforce consists of 62.5% on the Municipal Employees Award.

What Mr. Jolly's email also does not mention, is that an Army Reservist receives a minimum of \$50.00 per day, tax – free. Mr. Jolly himself receives \$100.00 per day, tax-free.

It is the opinion of the author that while there is a need to support Army Reservists, these people can organise leave without pay, or take annual leave. After all, being an Army Reservist is a choice.

It is not proved that attending training or missions financially disadvantages the reservists; it seems more of an opinion of the individual.

There does not seem to be any reason why an employee should be doubly paid while away on his/her own free time. Council's should not be footing the bill for this extra payment; it is the Australian Defence Force who should be assessing the ways in which their reservists are paid.

A suggestion has been made that the time away could be taken from sick leave. However, if the Reservists took two (2) weeks every year, then they would not accrue any sick leave at all.

Consultation

Telephone conversations with the applicant have taken place.

Statutory Environment

Changes to the Local Government Officer's Award 1999, to which employees under this Award will be subject to.

Policy Implications -

There are no current policies relating to this particular circumstance

Financial Implications

Should this change to the Local Government Officer's Award occur, Council would be liable to pay wages to someone not attending work while they are away on Reservist Duties. Council would receive \$948.00 per week. However, in Menzies situation it is unlikely a replacement could be found for these periods of time. However, at present, no employees at the Shire of Menzies have joined the Army Reserves.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION	ITEM 11.1.9
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MOVED Cr K Pusey

SECONDED Cr I McGregor

That Council not support an amendment to the Local Government Officer's Award 1999 to make provision for Reservist Leave.

CARRIED 5/0

11.1.10	Menzies Railway Station Precinct – Register of Heritage Places
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Location:	Menzies
Applicant:	Heritage Council of Western Australia
File Ref:	226
Disclosure of Interest:	None
Date:	12 th November 2004
Author:	Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:	

Summary

A document has been produced regarding the Menzies Railway Station Precinct, encouraging the inclusion of the Precinct into the State Register of Heritage Places.

A representative of the Menzies Shire Council has been invited to attend the meeting that will consider the precinct inclusion on the register.

Background

In July 2004, the Menzies Railway Station Precinct was assessed by Ms. Laura Grey to provide a report to the Heritage Council suggesting it be included in the State Heritage Register.

It is believed that Ms. Grey was requested by the Chairman of the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation, (who owns the three plate layers' cottages and leases the Station Masters' House) to carry out this inspection.

The Heritage Council of Western Australia has formally invited Council to appoint a representative to attend the registration meeting. **By nominating such a person, Council becomes a voting member on the committee.**

Comment

The report produced (and attached overleaf) is quite comprehensive, re-tracing the history of the precinct in great detail. It has not updated the fact that Rox Resources are now located in the in the Railway Station, and not Julia Mining NL.

At present, Council has a few buildings listed on the State Historical Register. These include the Shire Offices and the Goongarrie Railway Cottages. Of concern to inclusion of these buildings and others on the Register, is the guidelines and restrictions in which renovations or improvements can be made. It would be concerning to think that certain guidelines may outweigh practicality.

It is a fact that the listing of such buildings opens up funding opportunities for the owners of the particular building, but it is not ongoing funding, which is of concern.

What is also a concern is that the improvements and maintenance to the Railway Station currently leased to Rox Resources may not be within Heritage guidelines.

It would therefore be wise to nominate a representative to become a voting member on the committee to represent Council's view on the future of the Menzies Railway Station Precinct. The Chief Executive Officer is prepared to represent Council on this matter.

The Heritage Council has also welcomed any comments regarding this proposal from Council.

Consultation

Telephone conversations with the applicant have taken place.

Statutory Environment

Section 49 under the Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990 outlines the procedure which is undertaken prior to any listing on the Historical Register.

Policy Implications -

There are no current policies relating to this particular circumstance. Council may wish to formulate a policy regarding Historical Buildings.

Financial Implications

There are no financial obligations to Council at this stage. Some financial commitment would be required should Council nominate a representative to attend the meeting regarding the registration.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

COUNCIL DECISION \ OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.1.10

MOVED Cr R Earnshaw

SECONDED Cr P Kennedy

1. That Council nominate the President or the CEO to attend the meeting regarding the Menzies Railway Precinct to be included on the State Heritage Register
2. That Council is opposed to the Heritage listing of the Menzies Railway Precinct due to ongoing maintenance and repair costs.

CARRIED 5/0

11.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

11.2.1 Tender MN 123 – Supply of Labour

Location: N/A
Applicant: N/A
File Ref: 408 – MN 123
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 18th November 2004
Author: A G Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

The tender for “Supply of Labour” is for the consideration of Council.

Background

Tenders were opened in accordance with Council Policy 2.5, however the second person was a member of staff due to unavailability of a Council Member.

Tender MN 123 – Supply of Labour was advertised in the West Australian and Kalgoorlie Miner newspapers on the 30^h October 2004, and closed 17th November 2004 at 4.00 pm.

Tenders were opened in the presence of:

Tony Nottle Chief Executive Officer
Jolene Nottle Deputy Chief Executive Officer

And in the following order:

Measurement Control Engineering (MCE)
QL & DP Seinor

Comment -

Perusing the tender documents proved in the opinion of the author, that the Tender from QL & DP Seinor should be accepted.

Although QL & DP Seinor's rate is one dollar more per hour, (\$34.00 ex GST compared to \$33.00 ex GST) the stability of the Seinor's workforce is of high importance.

Consultation –

Successful and unsuccessful tenderers will need to be notified of the outcome as per the Local Government Act 1995.

Statutory Environment –

Section 3.57(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 provides that a Local Government is required to invite tenders before it enters into a contract of a prescribed kind under which another person is to supply goods and services. Local Government (Functions and General) Regulation 11 states that the tenders must be invited if the consideration under the contract is expected to be worth more than \$50,000.00.

Policy Implications – Council Policy 2.5 Relates

Financial Implications –

This has a direct effect on the 2004/2005 budget. The services provided by the contractor in this tender are budgeted for. A yearly contract to Council under the recommendation would be:

\$34.00 x 2	= \$68.00 per hour
\$68.00 x 10 x 9	= \$6,120 per fortnight.
\$6,120 x 23	= \$140,760 per annum (Crew only works 23 fortnights per annum.)

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.2.1

That Council award Tender MN 123 to QL & DP Seinor, for the supply of labour for \$34.00 ex GST (per person).

COUNCIL DECISION

ITEM 11.2.1

MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED Cr P Kennedy

That Council award Tender MN 123 to QL & DP Seinor, for the supply of labour and for the CEO to address any contractual issues.

Reason for Change-

Council were concerned that the issue of workers superannuation needed to be discussed with the successful tenderer.

11.2.2 Golf – Hotel Laterite Pits Project at Davyhurst Mine

Location: Mulline
Applicant: Croesus Mining NL
File Ref: 213 / 131
Disclosure of Interest: None
Date: 18th November 2004
Author: A G Nottle, Chief Executive Officer
Signature of Author:

Summary

Croesus Mining requests a letter from the Council stating confirmation that the Shire has no objection to the mining of the Golf – Hotel Laterite Pits at the Mulline Townsite.

Background

At Council's May Meeting these laterite deposits were presented to Council. Croesus Mining requested permission to mine within fifty (50) metres of the Cemetery Reserve. At this meeting Council resolved:

"That Council raise objection to Neil Rankine's request for Croesus Mining to mine at a closer distance to the Mulline Cemetery reserve, and that the standard condition of the Department of Industry and Resources is adhered to."

The Council decision was relayed to Croesus Mining.

Since the correspondence was sent out, Croesus has requested that Council approve an application that adheres to the industry standard of one hundred and forty (140) metres.

Comment

It seems that the mining company has taken note of Council's letter and taken on board the Council's concerns. There seems to be no reason to deny the activity, as they will be adhering to the Department of Industry and Resources guidelines.

Consultation

No external consultation is required to be carried out.

Statutory Environment

Policy Implications

There are no current policies relating to this matter. Council may wish to create a policy relating to the procedures or guidelines with handling these requests.

Financial Implications

The increased mining activity on these leases may produce an increase in rate revenue for the Shire Council.

Voting Requirement – Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.2.2

That Council raise no objection to the Golf – Hotel Laterite Pits Project as per the information provided by Croesus Mining NL.

COUNCIL DECISION

ITEM 11.2.2

MOVED Cr I McGregor

SECONDED Cr K Pusey

That the President and the CEO liase with the Department of Industry and Resources and Croesus Mining regarding the Mulline Cemetery.

CARRIED 5/0

12. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

12.1.1 Report From Deputy President Cr. Kevin Pusey

REPORT TO MENZIES SHIRE COUNCIL FROM CR KEVIN PUSEY.

SUBJECT; MEETING WITH LINDSAY BRIDGE AND TJUNTJUNJARRA COMMUNITY COUNCIL REGARDING OPTIONS OF PROVIDING SERVICES TO TJUNTJUNJARRA.

TONY, BRAD AND MYSELF FLEW OUT TO TJUNTJUNJARRA ON TUESDAY 9TH NOVEMBER TO HAVE A LOOK AT THE AREA AND MEET WITH LINDSAY BRIDGE,(SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER FOR INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES, DEPT LOCAL GOVT REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT.) AND THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

ON ARRIVAL LINDSAY AND IAN BAIRD, THE RETIRED COMMUNITY ADVISOR OF SOME 22 YEARS SHOWED US AROUND THE COMMUNITY BEFORE WE MET WITH THE COUNCIL AT 10:00AM.

WE WERE TOLD THAT A STAFF OF ABOUT 12, CONSISTING OF 3 ADMIN, 4 TEACHING, 2 SHOPKEEPERS, 1 NURSE, 1 MECHANIC AND 1 WORKS SUPERVISOR SERVICE APPROXIMATELY 120 RESIDENTS.

WORK ON A DOZEN OR SO COMMUNITY HOUSES AND A COUPLE OF ADMIN BUILDINGS WAS NEAR COMPLETION. WE WERE TOLD THAT PLANS TO BUILD EXTENSIONS TO THE STORE AND A COUPLE OF OTHER BUILDINGS ARE IN PROGRESS. NEW STAFF HOUSING WAS ALSO BEING CONSTRUCTED.

THE MECHANIC THAT ONLY STARTED THERE THE DAY BEFORE WILL HAVE HIS TIME CUT OUT FOR HIM. A QUICK LOOK AROUND AT THE MACHINERY INDICATED THAT EVERYTHING WAS IN A STATE OF DISREPAIR.

THE MITSUBISHI MG 500 GRADER THEY HAVE DIDN'T LOOK LIKE IT WAS IN TOO BAD A NICK, SOME MAJOR REPAIRS HAD JUST BEEN DONE TO IT AND ONLY

MINOR REPAIRS NEEDED TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE IT WAS READY FOR WORK.

OTHER USABLE GEAR IN THE FLEET INCLUDED 2 MEDIUM SIZED 4WD BUSES, A VOLVO PRIME MOVER, 40 FT FLAT TOP TRAILER, 36,000 LITRE WATER TANKER, A SEMI SIDE TIPPER, A 10 FT TOW ALONG DRUM ROLLER, A D6 DOZER, A FLOAT AND DOLLY, A COUPLE OF 8 TONNE FLAT TOP TRUCKS, AN 8 TONNE CURTAIN SIDER AND INTERESTINGLY, A CHEMICAL SPRAY UNIT FOR NOXIOUS WEEDS. SMALLER PLANT ITEMS LIKE SAW BENCHES, WELDERS, RECOVERY TRAILER AND OTHER SUCH GEAR WAS SPREAD AROUND AS WHERE MANY LANDCRUISER PC'S IN ALL STATES OF REPAIR. ALL OF THE ADMIN STAFF VEHICLES WERE LATEST MODELS.

AT 10:00 AM WE WERE INTRODUCED TO ELEVEN OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS WHERE LINDSAY BRIDGE AND TONY NOTTLE EXPLAINED THE REASON FOR THE MEETING. (MINUTES ATTACHED)

ALL PRESENT INDICATED THAT THEY WERE HAPPY FOR MENZIES TO REMAIN THEIR LOCAL GOVT AND TO GO AHEAD WITH PLANS TO PROVIDE FUNDS AND ASSISTANCE REGARDING MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING THEIR ROADS BY UTILIZING THE RESOURCES AND WORK FORCE OF THE COMMUNITY.

LINDSAY BRIDGE INDICATED THAT IF THIS WAS THE CASE HIS DEPT AND ALSO OTHERS WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO HELP SET UP ANY FORMALITIES REQUIRED FOR BOTH THE COMMUNITY AND THE SHIRE OF MENZIES.

AT THIS STAGE IT ALL SOUNDS LIKE FORMULATING A "SERVICE AGREEMENT" BETWEEN THE SHIRE AND THE COMMUNITY.

AFTER THE MEETING KYM RUSSELL, PROJECT FIELD OFFICER FOR COMMUNITIES D.I.A. DROVE US ALONG THE MAIN ACCESS ROAD TO KALGOORLIE FOR ABOUT 50 KM TO HAVE A LOOK AT ITS CONDITION. THE ROAD WAS IN BETTER CONDITION THAN I HAD EXPECTED BUT KYM TOLD US THAT THIS WAS PROBABLY THE BEST PART OF IT AND THAT THE KALGOORLIE END OF IT WAS IN POORER CONDITION.

ON RETURNING TO THE COMMUNITY WE AGAIN SPOKE TO LINDSAY BRIDGE ABOUT OTHER ISSUES REGARDING FUTURE PLANS.

I ASKED LINDSAY IF HE HAD CONSIDERED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF IN THE CASE OF LAVERTON TAKING ON THE AREA THEY COULD PROVIDE MORE FUNDING.

HIS ANSWER WAS THAT HE HAD, AND IN FACT HE PROBABLY KNEW QUITE PRECISELY WHAT THE FIGURES WOULD BE ALREADY. HE WAS ADDIMENT THAT HIS PREFERENCE WAS MENZIES BECAUSE THE ATTITUDES TOWARDS COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY RATHER THAN THE DOLLAR AMOUNT WAS MORE IMPORTANT.

THE BASIC IDEA OF PROVIDING TO THE COMMUNITY THE EXTRA FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE BY THE GRANTS COMMISSION TO THE SHIRE, BY INCLUDING THE COMMUNITY AND ROADS TO THE INVENTORY, WAS WELL RECEIVED. DISCUSSION ABOUT DEDUCTING ANY ADMIN COSTS REVEALED THAT LINDSAY HAD ALREADY THOUGHT ABOUT THIS AND SAID JUST TAKE OUT 75K AND EVEN SUGGESTED HOW THIS COULD BE SPENT!

CONCLUSION

IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THIS ISSUE IS A HUGE ONE AND THAT RELEVANT GOVT DEPARTMENTS APPEAR TO BE MORE THAN OBLIGING WITH OFFERS OF ASSISTANCE AND A FEEL-GOOD RESOLUTION.

ITS ASTOUNDING HOW MUCH THE INCREASE IN GRANTS IS PROPOSED BY INCLUDING TJUNTJUNJARRA TO THE INVENTORY.

FOR MENZIES	\$467,244.00
FOR LAVERTON	\$560,627.00
FOR KALGOORLIE	\$582,202.00

IF LAVERTON OR KALGOORLIE WERE TO INCLUDE TJUNTJUNJARRA, MENZIES WOULD LOOSE \$47,321.00.

IF MENZIES GOES AHEAD WITH THE INCLUSION IT MAY BE THAT WE REVIEW THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS OVER THE WHOLE OF THE SHIRE RATHER THAN JUST ALLOCATE THE EXTRA TO TJUNTJUNJARRA LESS COSTS.

Cr K. Pusey 10/NOV/2004

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting with the Menzies Shire representatives held at the Tjuntjunjarra Community Office, Tuesday 9th November 2004.

Meeting opened by Ian Baird at approx. 10:00am

PRESENT:

Roy Underwood, Winmati Roberts, Leonard Walker, Ian Baird, Russell Conklin, Lindsay Bridges, Carlene West, Tony Nottle (CEO), Kym Russell, Debbie Hansen, Kevin Pusey, Brad Pepper, Grant Steele, Bill Anderson, Edgar Jamieson, Ned Grant and Simon Hogan.

- Lindsay Bridges advised on reasons of holding the meeting. – Tjuntjunjarra Community access roads and other roads within the Menzies Shire.
- Tony Nottle spoke about helping out the Tjuntjunjarra Community with their roads, he talked about new jobs and employment associated with the roads.
- Council officers from Menzies Shire will drive out to the Green Tank with Kym Russell to assess the situation.
- Lindsay Bridges showed a diagram on the whiteboard of the road. He is still talking with the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Shire regarding boundaries etc.
- Grant Steele advised that cut line will most probably be outsourced to Hampton's Transport.
- Lindsay further stated that Tjuntjunjarra community is the best positioned to perform road works in the outback and secondly will provide a good income for the employees.
- Kevin Pusey stated to the meeting that if the road making is properly constructed the first time, monies would continue to come into the community to enable more work on roads.

MEETING CLOSED: 10:55am

This report was discussed in section 7.1 in the Status report.

Cr Finlayson tabled a report for the information of Councillors.

12.1.1 Map Information

Cr K Pusey – Requested that the CEO replace the old map in the Council Chambers with a more appropriate map that illustrates all aspects of the Shire

12.1.2 Kookynie Airstrip

Cr K Pusey –mentioned that the windsock needs replacing.

12.1.3 Change of Meeting Times

Cr P Kennedy – Asked if Council would consider “night” meetings rather than during the day, as it is difficult to attend the meeting during business hours. Possibilities were discussed however night meetings made traveling home dangerous for the members not living in Menzies.

12.1.4 Points of Interest

Cr K Finlayson brought the following things to members attention

1. The Risk Matters newsletter that was sent out from MIBS is available if anyone was interested
2. WALGA are formulating a new strategic plan. Cr Finlayson encouraged Councillors to complete the online survey on the website
3. WALGA Zone meeting is being held by teleconference on 25th Nov. President and CEO will be attending in person.

13. BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

13.1 COUNCILLORS

Nil

13.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The CEO reported the following:

- That a road closure (permanent) would be required for the Water Corporation’s reverse osmosis unit to be accommodated
- The Works Supervisor was attending the Annual Roads Forum, and therefore was unable to attend today’s meeting
- Meeting with Tjuntjuntjarra Community

- Meeting with Wutha people regarding Lake Ballard
- Advised Council that at the December Council Meeting, a photographer will be present to take pictures for a current members and staff portrait
- That the Christmas party for Councillors and staff will be held at the Grand Hotel, Kookynie.
- Council was successful in securing \$31,800 for Goongarrie Cottages Restoration and \$22,000 for a new playground from the Goldfields Esperance Regional Development Scheme.

14. NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting is scheduled for Friday 17th November 2004, Menzies Council Chambers at 1.00pm.

15. CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Shire President declared the meeting closed at 2.50pm.

These Minutes were confirmed as a true
and accurate record of proceedings, at the
Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17th December 2004

CONFIRMED

SHIRE PRESIDENT.....