

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 08 JUNE 2011 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE 34 LYLE STREET WARRACKNABEAL AT 9.30AM

1 WELCOME

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today and pay our respect to both past and present elders.

3 PRAYER

Almighty God, without whom no Council can stand nor anything prosper we ask that you be present and guide us in our deliberations today. We pray that we will be fair in our judgements and wise in our actions and that decisions will be made with goodwill and a clear conscience for the betterment and welfare of the people of Yarriambiack Shire.

Amen

4 PRESENT

Crs J Kemfert, A McLean, J Wise, R Kingston, H K Zanker, Ray Campling (Chief Executive Officer), James Magee (Director Infrastructure & Planning)

Mayor, John Kemfert made a warm welcome to students from the St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, who attended today's Council Meeting to experience the proceedings of Council.

5 APOLOGIES

Cr Geoff Lovel & Cr H Ballentine

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr R Kingston that apologies be accepted.

Carried

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council – 11 May 2011

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr K Zanker the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 11 May 2011 be confirmed.

Carried

7 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr J Wise declared a conflict of interest in regards to item 11.3 – Community Group Finance Assistance Scheme.

8 BUSINESS ARISING

8.1 Action List from last meeting

8.2 Ongoing and Pending Action List

9 PETITIONS

10 REPORTS

Corporate Reports

- 10.1 Mayor's Report
- 10.2 Councillor/Delegate Reports
- 10.3 Chief Executive Officer – Activity Report
- 10.4 Director Infrastructure & Planning Report
- 10.5 Works Report
- 10.6 Community Services Report
- 10.7 Community Projects Report
- 10.8 Infrastructure Services Report

11 REPORTS FOR DECISION

- 11.1 Finance Report (*tabled*)
- 11.2 Revenue Report (*tabled*)
- 11.3 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme
- 11.4 Craig's Channel
- 11.5 SHARE Community Grants

10.1 Mayor's Report – prepared by Cr John Kemfert

- 3 May Attended the Flood Exhibition at Queens Hall in Melbourne
- 5 May Accompanied by Dennis Smith, met with Michelle Anderson, Community Engagement Coordinator for Grampians Team Department of Planning and Community Development and the Murtoa Bowls Club in regards to synthetic surfaces
- 7 May Attended the Murtoa Showyards Reserve for the funding announcement for the Country Football and Netball Program by Minister Delahunty and Minister Peter Walsh
- 9 May As stated at last Council Meeting – attended Hopetoun Scout Hall for presentation of Premier Scout Award
- 10 May Attended Willenabrina Country Women's Association 60th Birthday
- 13 May Attended the University of Ballarat 2011 Graduation Ceremony held at the Horsham College Hall
- 23 May Attended Murtoa Historical Society Meeting
- 28 May Attended Victorian Police Show Band held at the Warracknabeal Town Hall
- 2 & 3 June Attended the Advanced Leadership two-day Councillor program in Melbourne
- 04 June Attending Murtoa Golf Club Meeting in regards to watering system

10.2 Councillor's Reports**Cr H Ballentine**

- 18 May Attended Yarriambiack Shire Council Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee Meeting
- 20 May Attended Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) Professional Development Community Meeting in Melbourne
- 25 May Attended Yarriambiack Shire Council Forum
- 2 June Attended Yarriambiack Tourism Association Meeting
- 3 June Attended Sustainability day at Mallee Bush Retreat in Hopetoun

Cr J Wise

- 11 May Yarriambiack Chaplaincy Council Annual General Meeting (AGM) held at the Warracknabeal Secondary College. Stewart Boyd re-elected as Chairman. Interesting presentation by Malcolm Wilton of World Vision on the issues still facing Haiti today following the devastating earthquake. Only 25% of children in Haiti are educated as they attend private schools. There are no public schools
- 13 May Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) Victorian Branch State Conference and AGM held in Ballarat. There was a good calibre of speakers throughout the conference including Karen McCaw, founder and CEO of Karden Disability Support Foundation; Susie O'Neill, founder of the KIDS Foundation; Grant Wiltshire – Director of the Telstra Business Centre PlusIT; Matt Vallance, Executive Director of the University of Ballarat's Technology Park; Janet Dore, CEO of the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) and Sarah Ford from the Benalla Council. Sarah was the winner of ALGWA's Study Award last year and after starting in administration in Benalla, she has since completed a Diploma of Building Surveying and now works as a Building Inspector (Limited). She recently had the opportunity to travel to England on a Rotary Group Study Exchange and found some startling facts. Compared with Victoria, England's planning regulations are almost non-existent. You don't need plans, you just build. However, alteration permits for existing buildings especially those heritage listed, take three times as long as in Victoria.
- 25 May Council Forum
- 3 June Western Highway Action committee (WHAC) Meeting - Ballarat
- 7 June Attended 'Create a Brand for the Wimmera' Meeting conducted by Bronwen Clark

Cr A McLean

- 20 May Attended North Western Municipalities Association Meeting
Edenhope
- 25 May Attended Council Forum in Warracknabeal
- 26 May Attended Municipal Association of Victoria's State Council meeting
in Melbourne
- 3 June Attended Sustainability Meeting in Lascelles

Cr K Zanker

- 16 May Attended Wimmera Volunteers Meeting
- 25 May Attended Council Forum
- 26 May Attended Wimmera Regional Library Corporation Launch of the
Library's new Website
- 27 May Wimmera Volunteers interviewing for new Chief Executive Officer
- 1 June Participated in the evaluation and selection of the SHARE
Community Grants

Cr R Kingston

- 12 May Attended Grampians Wimmera Mallee Water Channel
Decommissioning Meeting in Lubeck
- May Attended GWM Public Meeting held in Rupanyup in regards to
Water Quality
- May Attended Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Reliance conference in
Stawell
- 1 June Participated in the evaluation and selection of the SHARE
Community Grants

10.3 Chief Executive Officer – Activity Report – Prepared by Ray Campling

- Attended Volunteers Breakfast at Murtoa and Warracknabeal
- Met with Richard Scholten, Power Regional Asset Manager
- Attended Rural Councils Victoria Forum
- Met with Brad Ead – Internal Audit
- Met with Dr Xavier Csar, Acting CEO of Regional Development Victoria
- Attended Regional Flood Recovery meeting in Stawell
- Met with Peter Brown, CEO Horsham – various matters
- Met with Reid Mather – North Western Municipalities Association
- Attended North Western Municipalities meeting in Edenhope
- Met with John Watson – Local Government Victoria
- Met with Justine Linley – CEO North Grampians – various matters
- Met with Terry Lewis – Regional Manager of Department of Primary Industries
- Met with David Tozer, Moyne Shire Council – Governance
- Met with Chris McPherson – Brim matters
- Met with Mark Crouch, CEO West Wimmera – various matters
- Met with Essential Services Commission in Horsham – Performance Indicators
- Met with Mark Robertson – Training programs
- Attended Grampians Regional Management Forum in St. Arnaud
- Attended Sustainability Open Day at Lake Lascelles
- Attended the official opening of the new Barengi Gadjin Land Council offices in Horsham
- Attended Murtoa Golf Club official function

10.4 Director Infrastructure & Planning Report – Prepared by James Magee

Flood Submission

Council lodged submission with the Victorian Flood Review.

Key points of the review included:-

- More automatic gauge stations on Dunmunkle and Yarriambiack Creeks
- Flood study and remodelling required for Dunmunkle Creek and township of Rupanyup
- SES under resourced to deal with significant flooding events
- Little external support early in flooding event, such as in Rupanyup
- Levees and temporary levees critical part of flood protection in our area
- Temporary levees saved 300 houses in Warracknabeal and 20 houses in Beulah from flooding
- VicRoads needs to install additional culverts on Dunmunkle Creek at Rupanyup, the Stawell Warracknabeal Road and the Wimmera Highway to reduce flooding in Rupanyup
- VicRoads needs to install additional culverts on Yarriambiack Creek at Jung to reduce flooding at Longerenong
- VicRoads needs to install additional box culverts on Yarriambiack Creek at Beulah (Birchip Rainbow Road) to reduce flooding in the township of Beulah
- The cost/benefit of additional structures on waterways would be significant as the cost of flood preparation and response would be greatly reduced within Yarriambiack Shire

Stick Shed

Heritage Victoria conducted a public opening of the Murtoa Stick Shed on 7 May which proved very popular. A total of 465 visitors viewed the repair works undertaken to date. Works are continuing and another public opening is being planned in July, 2011.

Flood Recovery

A second round of road and asset inspections has been completed. Some of these roads were inaccessible when the initial inspection was done and other areas have come to Council's attention as being flood affected.

A second claim for Natural Disaster Funding will be made during the next month. Council has not yet been advised of the outcome of their initial claim as yet.

ASSETS ENGINEERING

Assets

Review and update asset registers due to completed capital work projects

Together with Don Philips from CT management, started to review and develop Asset Management plans, based on the requirements from the new national framework implemented by the Federal Government

Complete Draft Asset Policy and Strategy

Attended Asset Management Conference in Melbourne

Start to develop 2011-2012 Capital Works Program

OH&S - Risk Management

Assist with OH&S Audit (aimed at General OH&S – Risk Management in all departments) with OH&S consultant Colin Supple

Attended North West Group Civic Mutual Plus (CMP) OH&S- Risk Management Forum in Wedderburn

Attend NW Group Echelon OH&S Forum in Wycheproof

DESIGN

Council 2010/11 Works Program

- Survey and centreline set out pegging for pavement Reconstruction and Bitumen Sealing of Rural sealed roads – Burrum North Road, Brim East School Road and Brim West Road
- McDonald Street Murtoa, Kerb and Channel and concrete footpath replacement – Marma Street to Breen Street (west side): Survey, design, plans and set-out pegging are complete
Issues with the road pavement geometry and drainage have meant extra works are being considered
- A final draft design is being drawn for the road works in Haby Lane, adjacent to the Murtoa Post Office

Flood Control Works

- Assistance has been provided to VicRoads for upgrades to the main road culverts on Yarriambiack Creek. Plans are well advanced for the proposed box culvert on the Jeparit Warracknabeal Road at Warracknabeal
- A recent meeting attended with VicRoads and Beulah representatives at the Birchip Rainbow Road creek crossing (at Beulah) has meant draft design proposals will be drawn up for further consideration
- In Murtoa, works are progressing on a stormwater bypass drain and an important flood control measure South side of Murtoa township. The project includes a large open drain, connecting drains and road culverts.

ENVIRONMENT

- Attended Yarriambiack Creek Advisory Committee Meeting at Beulah
- Inspected levee works and creek area with Planning & Infrastructure staff, re any impact on Aboriginal cultural heritage sites during flood and associated earthworks
- Attended Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Alliance Meeting (WMSA) in Stawell
- Attended WMSA Community Sustainability Conference
- Attended Minyip-Dimboola Road Revegetation Committee Meeting in Dimboola
- Completed Emergency Management training in Ballarat
- Attended CFA Neighbourhood Safer Places information session in Horsham

TECHNICAL SERVICES

- Assisted Design Engineer with surveys as required
- Processed various Civica Requests as needed
- Inspected playground at Lake Marma in Murtoa for missing child's swing and chain ladder. Ordered missing parts as required.
- Carried out twice weekly Aerodrome Inspections
- Continued with entry of all chemicals used by Council (indoors/outdoors) onto Chemwatch website to obtain Material Safety Data Sheets to be filed onsite for use in case of emergency. These sheets are mandatory requirement by Worksafe and a copy will also be kept by the Works Manager. Risk Assessments to be conducted also
- Issued Road Opening Permits for culvert removal and driveway entrance within nominated Road Reserves
- Phone conference held with Lambert @ Rehbein to discuss alterations to vegetation and signage at various rail crossings along the Murtoa to Hopetoun Line
- Ordered shop front play equipment for Lions Club Playground in Minyip to strengthen platform legs as requested per recent inspection
- Check all Registration labels for plant and vehicles owned by Council to make sure they match. Cancel any not required
- Attended Channel Decommissioning Meeting at Boolite Hall

SALEYARDS

- National Saleyard Quality Assurance Audit held 17/18 May. Our accreditation has been approved for another 12 months with only minor alterations required within the Quality Manual

The cleanliness of the facility was highlighted by the auditor which supports the hard work carried out by George Marshall

- Office area sprayed for spiders and baiting for mice continues as required

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

- Assisted Design Engineer with pegging out part of Burrum North Road
- Assisted Design Engineer with pegging out part of Brim East Road
- Assisted Design Engineer with cable locating in Minyip and Murtoa
- Met with the Hopetoun Works Superintendent in relation to the proposed Hopetoun Depot
- Attended Municipal Works Officers Association Meeting in Edenhope
- Produced maps for internal staff
- Attended an Emergency Management training course in Ballarat
- Continued investigation of pathways for inspection in the coming months
- Analysed and sorted more road inspection reports
- Entered road inspections into the Asset Asyst program
- Finalised costs of the proposed Hopetoun Depot, including trips to Hopetoun to assess the future site

BUILDING & PLANNING ACTIVITY

In **May 2011** following permits were issued:

Building: 5 Building Permits were issued in **May 2011**

Total Value of Building Work: **\$40,710**

Murtoa – Garage

Hopetoun – Pergola/Shade Shelter

Warracknabeal – Alterations

Murtoa – Re-Erection of Storage Container

Warracknabeal – Verandah

5 Applications were submitted in **May 2011**

Planning: 5 Planning Permits were issued in **April 2011**

App No: TP12-11

Applicant: Hopetoun Football-Netball Club – Tim Hallam

Address of Land: 29 Strachan Street Hopetoun

Proposal: The land to be used by the expansion of the licensed liquor area of the premises in accordance with the endorsed plans and subject to the following conditions.

Date Issued: 10 May 2011

App No: TP57-08A (Amended Planning Permit)

Applicant: Aurecon for Optus – David Hughes

Address of Land: 228 Patchewollock/Sea Lake Road, Patchewollock – CA 20, Parish Patchewollock being Volume 08876 Folio 719

Proposal: Construction and operating a telecommunications (mobile) facility, comprising of 50m high steel lattice tower and ancillary components enclosed within secure compound.

Date Issued: 10 May 2011

App No: TP13-11**Applicant:** Rural Northwest Health – Hopetoun Hospital**Address of Land:** 12 Mitchell Street, Hopetoun being Volume 10905 Folio 814**Proposal:** The land to be developed by the erection of a pergola and associated earthworks.**Date Issued:** 19 May 2011**App No:** TP49-10A (Amended Planning Permit)**Applicant:** Bells Farma Products – Jamie Bell**Address of Land:** 8-14 Scott Street, Warracknabeal being Lot 1 on TP 447836 and Lot 1 on LP24022**Proposal:** The land to be developed by the construction of a storage shed, covered loading area and earthworks.**Date Issued:** 24 May 2011**App No:** TP16-11**Applicant:** Murtoa Bowling Club – Bob Trotter**Address of Land:** 13 Lloyd Street, Murtoa being Lot 26 LP8715**Proposal:** The land to be developed by the construction of a storage shed (used shipping container) and associated earthworks.**Date Issued:** 19 May 2011

3 applications were submitted in May 2011.

10.5 Works Report – Prepared by Brian Poulton**Capital Works Program – Roads and Streets 2010-2011**

PROJECT	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Carter Street Speed (\$32,888)	0%	May 2011		Seal Street from Sunraysia Highway to Goudie Street
Dr Pete's Car Park Hopetoun (\$15,914)	100%	April 2011	26.04.2011	Construct and Seal
Haby Lane Murtoa (\$8,915)	0%			Construct and Seal
McDonald Street Car Parking Murtoa (\$14,602)	30%	May 2011		Construct new Kerb & Channel
Germaine Street Yaapeet (\$6,430)	100%	November 2010	November 2010	New Kerb Works. Road widening for drainage purposes
Breen Street Murtoa (\$126,000)	30%	May 2011		Contractor Robert Hudson - Horsham
Dimboola – Minyip Rd (\$428,800)	90%	March 2011	-----	Horsham Rural City Council
Rainbow Yaapeet Rd (\$470,930)	90%	March 2011		Complete Reconstruction & widening
Burrum North Road (\$55,174) Pavement Renewal R2R	90%	May 2011		Road Reconstruction
Brim West Road (\$70,568) Pavement Renewal R2R	100%	April 2011	30.04.2011	Bitu – Mill Contractors Stabilise & Seal
SheepHills- Bangerang Road (\$151,688) Pavement Renewal R2R	90%	May 2011		Road Reconstruction
Brim East Road (Sheep Hills – Bangerang Road) (\$70,457)				

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Mount Pleasant Rd (\$20,012) Pavement Renewal	100%	April 2011	21.04.2011	Road Reconstruction
Rupanyup Rd (\$26,332) Pavement Renewal	100%	April 2011	7.04.2011	Road Reconstruction
Galaquil East Rd (\$95,846) Pavement Renewal R2R	100%	September 2010	11.10.2010	Road Reconstruction
Galaquil West Rd (\$48,977) Pavement Renewal R2R	100%	December 2010	20.12.2010	Road Reconstruction
Yaapeet Kenmare Rd (\$31,597) Pavement Renewal R2R	100%	March 2011	4.04.2011	Road Reconstruction
Minyip Rich Avon Rd (\$178,374) Pavement Renewal	100%	March 2011	20.04.2011	Road Reconstruction
Minyip Banyena Rd (\$99,156) Pavement Renewal R2R	100%	September 2010	19.10.2010	Road Reconstruction
Brim East School Rd (\$90,248) Pavement Renewal R2R	70%	May 2011		Road Reconstruction
Brim East School Rd (\$28,715) Pavement Renewal	70%	May 2011		Road Reconstruction
Brim East School Rd (\$7,179) Pavement Renewal	70%	May 2011		Road Reconstruction

Footpath Program 2010/2011

PROJECT	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Taverner Street Beulah (\$11,228)	0%	May 2011		Hotmix - Geotech
Austin Street Hopetoun (\$9,357)	100%	September 2010	September 2010	Premix – Geotech Shire
Dennys Street Hopetoun (\$11,228)	100%	April 2011	April 2011	Premix – Geotech Shire
Lascalles Street Hopetoun (\$12,943)	100%	April 2011	May 2011	Premix – Geotech Shire
Mitchell Place Hopetoun (\$5,848)	100%	September 2010	September 2010	Reseal - Shire
Murdoch Street Hopetoun (\$5,146)	100%	October 2010	November 2010	Hotmix – Upgrade Geotech
Cromie Street Murtoa (\$18,980)	100%	March 2011	April 2011	Tony Briggs Contractor
Duncan Street Murtoa (\$15,538)	100%	March 2011	March 2011	Tony Briggs Contractor
McDonald Street Murtoa (\$14,300)	100%	April 2011	April 2011	Tony Briggs Contractor
Dyer Street Rupanyup (\$9,357)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Hotmix – Upgrade Geotech
Stewart Street Rupanyup (\$12,631)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Hotmix - Upgrade Geotech
Wood Street Rupanyup (\$2,807)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Hotmix – Upgrade Geotech
Craig Avenue Warracknabeal (\$21,771)	100%	August 2010	September 2010	Shire - Concrete
Warunda Avenue Warracknabeal (\$6,978)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Shire - Concrete

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PROJECT	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Menin Ave Warracknabeal (\$12,505)	100%	September 2010	October 2010	Shire - Concrete
Roberts Street Woomelang (\$18,245)	100%	September 2010	September 2010	Sea Lake - Contractor Concrete
Main Street Minyip (\$11,618)	100%	May 2011	May 2011	Tony Briggs Contractor
Various (\$5,000) Warracknabeal * Jamoneau st * The Avenue				Renewal of short footpath sections
Various (\$10,000) Warracknabeal *Begg St – Werrigar St				Improvement Pedestrian Crossings at Intersections
Various (\$2,948) Rupanyup *Frayne St - Crushed rock Path				Allowance for new works & upgrades

Completed Gravel Re-sheet Works

Ratray's Road **25.600 km**
Cannum Five Chain Road

Total Gravel Re-sheet Works 53.657 km

Drainage -

Warracknabeal

Asquith Reserve	Box culverts
Ratray's Road	Box culverts
Dungey Street	Box culverts
Rifle Range	Box culverts
Golf Links Road	Box culverts
Gardiner Street	Rear access drain
Henty Highway	Drainage works

Brim

Henty Hwy drainage works

Murtoa

Rabl Park – Lake Marma	Box culverts
Degenhardt Street	Box culverts

Rupanyup

Gibson Street	Box culverts
	Drainage works
Dyer Street	Culverts & Drainage works

Vic Roads –

Main Road – Stabilising (Contractor)

10.6 Community Services – Prepared by Gavin Blinman

Kindergartens

The Warracknabeal Children's Centre work looks like being completed by 3 June, 2011. All services should be able to use the facilities from this date; we have had some delay with the rain making access difficult for the landscapers.

35 people attended the Annual Kindergarten Cluster Dinner information night in Warracknabeal recently, Marita Toohey from Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) spoke on the challenges coming with the 15 hours universal access and national quality reforms being introduced shortly.

I have been invited to speak at the State Kindergarten Parents Victoria Conference in Melbourne on 4 June at Caulfield Racecourse. I will be speaking on the 15 hours pilot we have been running in Minyip and Rupanyup.

Maternal and Child Health

Our nurses have returned to working at the Warracknabeal Children's Centre. Both staff attended the national Maternal and Child health conference in Brisbane recently. Titled 'Broadening Horizons' the conference has enabled staff to discuss issues with M&CH nurses' from across Australia.

The nurses attended lectures on the Parent Evaluation Development Screen (PEDS), a tool the nurses use to assist in the daily checks on health of children and family issues.

The nurses also attended updates on autism, family violence and opiate addiction in mothers and children.

Environmental Health / Local laws

Food inspections carried out this month found no major issues, Werrigar Roadhouse has had its final inspection and is operating in the new section.

Council received one food complaint for the month relating to a pie with a foreign object in it, as production of the pie was in another Council area, the matter has been referred on to the Council responsible.

Food sampling has found another poor result in testing of sliced roast beef; this issue is a statewide issue and will be raised with the Department of Health for action.

An ongoing wastewater issue in Beulah has been partially resolved, the owner has agreed to pay for repairs; we are currently trying to get a plumber to give a quote.

Council's Infringement Management Company, 'Bartels' is now in the process of issuing summons to offenders who have not paid outstanding fines. Twelve infringements are going to Horsham court on 31 August 2011. Only five dogs were in the pound this month, four of these were seized while wandering and one surrendered.

We are investigating wandering dog issues in Patchewollock at the moment and also working with a farmer who has poor fencing and issues with the escape of stock.

Youth

Youth Worker has assisted with the Youth in Action survey, 40 forms handed out to young people to assist the Regional Youth Affairs Network (RYAN) and schools in planning.

Working with the Rural Northwest Health (RNH) and School Chaplain to conduct a skate park competition on 6 June, 2011.

Two Nexus events supported this month, 37 young people attended the last one in Horsham.

Quiet month for referrals, only two youth assisted after referrals from external agencies.

Emergency Relief

Only 13 emergency relief vouchers this month, the process of referring people for budget planning is working well.

We have had No Interest Loan (NILS) training this month to assist people to apply to the scheme.

We will help local people with their paperwork and forward applications to Wimmera Uniting Care for assessment.

The scheme is for people on Centrelink benefits and assists them to gain credit ratings once they pay off their loan.

Lisa has continued in the Flood Recovery role, she has assisted 14 people in Rupanyup; some of whom were not on our original list.

Assistance has been linking to other supports, processing the FACHSIA flood money we have and to date around \$3,000 has been given out by Lisa and myself.

Many people have required second visits to assist them with applications to Department of Human Services (DHS) or other aid.

The work in Hindmarsh Shire is also progressing only five people have been assisted so far.

Aged and Disability

The Aged Care Coordinator and I attended the regional planning day for Seniors Week in Birchip recently.

We can now meet with all seniors clubs and plan our events, also discussed was the dwindling numbers attending senior citizens across country Victoria.

Many seniors do not want to take on responsibility of office bearers and clubs are folding.

We already have some issues in the south of our Shire with this and we are working with clubs to address. Some good ideas around, working with neighborhood houses to develop seniors hubs were also discussed.

It was confirmed that the Police Pipe and Show Bands will be performing in Beulah and Rupanyup on 20 October, 2011. Local clubs will be asked to cater as a fundraiser.

We have been encouraged to put forward a nomination for 'Senior of the Year' award this year.

Training for assessment officers is being organized to provide skills needed with the new living at home assessments.

Literacy and report writing skills for staff are also being looked at, as the new 'Active Service Model' demands more skills from all levels of HACC staff.

Volunteer Breakfast

The Volunteers' breakfasts were moderately successful, although we had low numbers the message that the Shire supports all volunteers was important and we are already reviewing the week to look at next year's events.

SHARE Program – (Sustainable Healthy Adaptable Resilient Engaged)

Sustainability Open Day

At the time of this report planning is well underway for the Sustainability Open Day at the Mallee Bush Retreat in Hopetoun on 3 June, 2011. The event will educate community members and school students of the benefits of renewable power, sustainability practices, energy efficiency and retrofit of homes. Member for Mildura, Peter Crisp will officially open the event.

Clean Beaches Awards

The Lake Lascelles/Corrong Committee of Management has entered the 2011 Clean Beaches Awards. The Clean Beaches Awards recognise and celebrate positive actions taken by communities to protect and enhance their local beach environments. The Committee has entered five initiatives in the following sections; Friendly Beach, Community Government Partnerships, Pam Keating Environmental Sustainability, Beach Cultural Heritage and Community Action. Judging will take place at the Sustainability Open Day and winners will be announced in Melbourne on Friday 29 July, 2011.

Digital Television Coverage

A request for further information regarding the current offer of a 75% subsidy to supply the necessary broadcast infrastructure for digital service including relevant costs has been issued.

SHARE Community Grants

At the time of this report the first round of SHARE Community Grants will close on Friday 27 May. Eligible projects may include small equipment, events, projects that encourage shared facilities and equipment and projects that encourage visitors and tourism to the region. Projects that are not eligible include retrospective funding, prizes, raffles, wages, insurance and ongoing maintenance or running costs.

Meetings Attended:

Date	Meeting
3 May	Yaapeet Community Club
4 May	Minyip Progress Association
6 May	Hopetoun Senior Citizens – grant writing.
26 May	Sustainability Victoria – planning day.
27 May	Minyip SHARE

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr K Zanker that standing orders be suspended at 10:30am.

Carried

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr J Wise that standing orders be resumed at 10:50am.

Carried

10.7 Community Projects – Prepared by Terry Sanders**Meetings Attended**

23 May	Returned from Long Service Leave
02 June	Yarriambiack Tourism Association
03 June	Wimmera Mallee Tourism Steering Committee

Report

Due to my recent return from leave a written report is not available but a verbal report will be provided on the outcomes of the tourism meetings mentioned above.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/COMMUNITY PROJECTS**Country Football and Netball Program 2010/11**

The Murtoa Football Change Rooms and A & P Society Display Shed Redevelopment application has been approved with a grant of \$80,000 for a total project cost of \$169,765 and the Woomelang Netball Court Upgrade application has been approved with a grant of \$15,650 for a total project cost of \$23,475.

Community Facility Funding Program 2011/12

The Funding Agreement documentation for the Minyip Tennis Club fourth Court has been returned to Department of Planning & Community Development (DPCD).

Sustainable Sports Grounds Program 2010/11

The Murtoa Golf Club Irrigation Upgrade project is now complete and acquittal documentation will be prepared and returned to DPCD.

Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program Round 3

Works on the remaining projects are continuing.

Grants Acquitted

Rupanyup Netball Shed Extension.
Warracknabeal Golf Bowls Lighting.

10.8 Infrastructure Services Manager – Prepared by Bernie Naylor**Hopetoun Swimming Pool / Poulton Park Toilet Upgrade**

As Council would be aware we have received funding of \$135,000 for this project which is matched by Council on a 2 for 1 basis.

Council advertised in the papers seeking tenders for this upgrade, tenders for the project closed on Friday 3 June, 2011

Council has received no tender submissions for this project.

Ray Campling (CEO) has made representations to the Minister on behalf of Council to ensure that the funding will remain while Council sources a contractor for the project.

Breen Street Murtoa - Kerb & Channel Construction

Midbrook Constructions have commenced kerb & channel construction on Stage 3 – McDonald to Cromie Street and Stage 4 being Cromie Street to Duncan Street in Murtoa.

The costings for these works are as follows:-

Stage 3 – McDonald to Cromie Streets	\$54,076
Stage 4 – Cromie to Duncan Streets	\$67,326

It is anticipated that 60% to 70% of these works will be completed by 30 June, 2011.

Cardboard Baling Facility

Works on the extension to the cardboard baling facility at Warracknabeal transfer station have commenced.

Council was able to secure funding through the Grampians Regional Waste Management Group for this extension.

The extension will enable Council to store a greater quantity of bales, with the intention of sending a semi to Melbourne and obtaining an extra \$20 per tonne for the baled cardboard.

Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee (MEMPC)

The MEMPC met on Wednesday 18 May, 2011 with the relevant agencies providing updates on their status over the last 3 months.

Most issues raised were concerns and actions during the recent rain and flood events.

The committee have requested that the SES in conjunction with the Municipal Emergency Response Coordinator (MERC) conduct debrief of all agencies involved at the Municipal Emergency Coordination Centre (MECC).

Generally all agencies have undertaken individual debriefs, but it was generally agreed a debrief involving all agencies would be beneficial.

There was also concern raised in regards to the state of the Henty Highway and the safety issues that arise from the condition of the road.

The Committee recommended that Council write to VicRoads on behalf of the Committee expressing their concerns about the condition of the highway, in particular the section between Warracknabeal and Hopetoun.

Another matter raised was in relation to the amount of mice in the region, Council will make contact with Department of Primary Industries to ascertain what information they are providing for the community.

Contract C166/2011 & C166A/2011

Due to increased amount of construction and maintenance works to be undertaken over the next two years following the floods and also additional Government funding, Council has decided to Hire/Lease additional plant.

C166/2011 - Council are seeking tenders for "DRY" hire of the following plant.

- a) One Grader
- b) Two Tipping Trucks and Dog Trailers
- c) Two Tractors and Combination Rollers

The period of hire for these items of plant will be 12 months with the option of a further 12 months at Councils discretion.

C166A/2011 - Council are seeking tenders for "WET" hire of the following plant.

- a) Two Tipping Trucks and Dog Trailers

The period of hire for this item of plant will be 12 months with the option of a further 12 months at Council's discretion.

These tenders will close on Thursday 23 June, 2011

Plant Replacement Program

As part of the budget process we review our plant requirements for the next five years, the following items of major plant are due for replacement in the 2011/2012 financial year:-

1. Mack Truck – Hopetoun
2. Main Loader – Warracknabeal
3. Small Depot Loader – Warracknabeal
4. Small Depot Loader – Hopetoun
5. 2nd Hand Grader – Southern Area

Items 1 & 2 are between 13 & 14 years old and Items 3 & 4 are between 22 - 23 years old.

11 REPORTS FOR DECISION

11.1 Finance Report – Prepared by Anita McFarlane

The Finance Report as at May 2011 will be tabled.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Finance Report as at May 2011 be received.

Moved Cr A McLean seconded Cr J Wise that Finance Report as at May 2011 be received.

Carried

11.2 Revenue Report – Prepared by Chantelle Pitt

The Revenue Report as at June 2011 will be tabled.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Revenue Report as at June 2011 be received

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr R Kingston that Revenue Report as at June 2011 be received.

Carried

Cr J Wise left Council Chambers at 11:11am

11.3 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme – June 2011 – Prepared by Dennis Smith

Background:

Council received 35 applications for funding under this scheme of which 34 conformed to the criteria (one applicant had received funding in the December 2010 round). The total budget for this round is \$10,000; therefore all applicants who have requested over \$300 have had the amount reduced to \$300.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED - JUNE 2011 ROUND OF FUNDING.			
Community Group	Project Details	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Beulah Bowling & Croquet Club	Purchase security system	\$500	\$300
Beulah Kindergarten	Extend paving	\$500	\$300
Beulah Playgroup	Shade sail and outdoor furniture	\$500	\$300
Boolite Public Hall & Recreation Reserve	Kitchen upgrade	\$500	\$300
Brim Bowling Club	Concreting	\$500	\$300
Brim Memorial Hall	Re-roofing	\$500	\$300
Hopetoun Bowling Club	Laser level bowling green	\$500	\$300
Hopetoun Senior Citizens	Television set	\$500	\$300
Minyip Bowls Club	BBQ & cookware	\$500	\$300
Minyip Dunmunkle Carpet Bowls Club	Purchase bowls carpet	\$500	\$300
Minyip Golf Club	Purchase computer and card reader	\$500	\$300
Minyip Memorial Hall	Air conditioner protective cage	\$400	\$300
Minyip Men's Shed	Storage container	\$500	\$300
Minyip Murtoa Football & Netball Club	Upgrade netball court lights	\$500	\$300
Murtoa Golf Club	GPS mapping	\$500	\$300
Murtoa Historical Society	Binding newspapers	\$280	\$280
Murtoa Showgrounds Committee	Replace 6 ft front deck mower	\$500	\$300
Murtoa Dunmunkle Sumpoilors	Work bench and shelving	\$500	\$300
Rupanyup Community Centre Committee	Data projector and screen	\$500	\$300
Rupanyup Football Netball Club	Purchase cutlery and crockery	\$500	\$300
Rupanyup Nursing Home Support Group	Musical afternoon	\$250	\$250
Tempy Commemorative Association	Signage for commemorative project	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Action Group	Children's Christmas adventure	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal A & P Society	Purchase whipper snipper	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Aero Club	Repair tables	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Arts Council	Function room hire	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Girl Guides	Installation of blinds	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Golf Bowls Club	Drink dispenser concrete slab and cover	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Hockey Club	Purchase computer	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Ladies Rest Rooms	Painting	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Neighbourhood House	Hot water service	\$500	\$300
Warracknabeal Rotary Club	Purchase freezer	\$500	\$300
1st Warracknabeal Scout Group	Reverse cycle air conditioning	\$500	\$300
Warrack. Creek Development Committee	Information board cover	\$450	\$300
		Total	\$10,130

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the payment of the above grants.

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr R Kingston that Council approve the above applications that conformed to the criteria in receiving grants from the Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme.

Carried

Cr J Wise returned to Council Chambers at 11:15am

11.4 Craig's Channel – Prepared by Bernie Naylor

Council has been in discussions with GWM Water regarding sections of Craig's Channel East of Warracknabeal, which has been identified by Council as providing drainage benefits for the township of Warracknabeal.

GWM Water no longer requires this channel for water delivery purposes and do not intend to retain this channel.

As Council is aware, we have undertaken some minor works already on this section of channel to assist with flood mitigation for the township of Warracknabeal.

GWM Water is prepared to transfer ownership of this section of channel between Rattray's Road and Morella Road to Council under certain conditions.

Prior to transfer GWM Water has agreed to undertake a one-off proposal to clean and reshape this section of channel.

Once completed GWM Water would proceed to transfer the section of channel to Yarriambiack Shire Council, with all ownership, responsibilities, structures and other obligations from the date the deed is signed.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council agree to have the section of Craig's Channel between Rattray's Road and Morella Road transferred from GWM Water to Yarriambiack Shire Council under the following conditions:-

- a) GWM Water agree to undertake a one-off proposal to clean and reshape this section of channel.
- b) Yarriambiack Shire Council take over ownership, responsibilities, structures and other obligations from the date the deed is signed.

Moved Cr R Kingston seconded Cr J Wise that Council adopt the above recommendation.

Carried

11.5 SHARE Community Grant – Prepared by Marianne Ferguson

Council extensively advertised the SHARE Community Grants Program for a period of three weeks throughout the Shire, with the evaluation and selection of the SHARE Community Grants taking place on Wednesday June 1, 2011. There was an amount of \$55,000 including GST allocated to this particular program.

The evaluation panel consisted of the following representatives;-

Councillor Kylie Zanker
 Councillor Ray Kingston
 DPCD Community Engagement Coordinator -Grampians Team, Lauren Scully,
 Community member, Colin Kemp
 Community Services Manager --Gavin Blinman
 Community Projects Co-Coordinator - Dennis Smith
 Community Development Officer - Marianne Ferguson

There were a total of 24 applications received and assessed from across the Shire with 14 applications being recommended for funding. A total of \$54,998 Inc GST is proposed to be shared amongst the successful projects.

Grant Applicant	Description	Grant Amount
Beulah Historical Learning and Progress Association	TV, DVD and accessories, telephone system and exercise equipment	\$3,000
Brim Sports and Social Club	Front deck mower	\$6,850
Hopetoun Senior Citizens	Chairs	\$2,500
Lubeck Soldiers Memorial Reserve	Ride on mower	\$4,600
Patchewollock Progress Association	Transport, conversion and erection of steel Mallee Fowls	\$5,000
Minyip Festival Committee	Festival activities and BBQ	\$2,500
Murtoa Kindergarten	Chicken House	\$1,000
Minyip Recreation Reserve CoM	Front deck mower	\$6,850

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Grant Applicant	Description	Grant Amount
Murtoa & District Historical Society & Community Museum	Brochures	\$ 440
Murtoa RSL Sub Branch	Vacuum Cleaner	\$ 480
Murtoa Shared Learning & Activities	Construction of mosaic artworks involving the community	\$4,100
Rupanyup Football Netball Club	PA System	\$ 500
Warracknabeal Scout Group	Reverse cycle air conditioning	\$4,178
Woomelang & District Development Association	Freezer	\$8,000
Yaapeet Tennis Club	Permanent shade area	\$5,000
	Total	\$54,998 Inc GST

Recommendation

That Council approve the above nominated projects under the 2010/2011 SHARE Community Grant Program.

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr R Kingston that Council approve the nominated projects under the 2010/2011 SHARE Community Grant Program.

Carried

12 GENERAL BUSINESS (including strategic direction and specific issues)

Mayor, John Kemfert spoke on the poor condition of the Murtoa School Grounds.

It was suggested by Council that CEO, Ray Campling write to the Educational Department in regards to this matter.

13 CLOSED SESSION

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr R Kingston that Council move in to Closed Session.

Carried

Tender Evaluation – Yarriambiack Shire – prepared by Bernie Naylor

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr A Mclean that Council adopt the Resolution from the Closed Session of Council.

Carried

Moved Cr R Kingston seconded Cr K Zanker that Council move back into Open Session.

Carried

14 MINUTES FROM MEETINGS

15 ATTACHMENTS / REPORTS

Rates Report – June 2011
Income Statement by Resources for May 2011
Income Statement by Department for May 2011
Capital Works Statement for May 2011
Balance Sheet as at 31May 2011

16 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 13 July 2011 at 9:30am at Warracknabeal.

17 CLOSE

Meeting closed at 11:30 pm

Chairperson