

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2010 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 Wise, A McLean, J Kempfert, R Kingston, H Ballentine, K Zanker, G Lovel, Ray Campling (Chief Executive Officer), James Magee (Director Infrastructure & Planning)

5 APOLOGIES

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council – 13 October 2010

Moved Cr A McLean seconded Cr K Zanker that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 13 October 2010 be confirmed.

Carried

7 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr J Wise declared an interest in item 11.4 - Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme - December 2010

Cr G Lovel declared an interest in item 11.4 - Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme - December 2010

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 of Infrastructure & Planning Report
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- 10.7 Economic Development Report

11 REPORTS FOR DECISION

- 11.1 Finance Report (*tabled*)
- 11.2 Revenue Report (*tabled*)
- 11.3 Derelict Buildings
- 11.4 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme - December 2010
- 11.5 Youth Grants
- 11.6 Lease of Council Land to Emmett Motors (Rupanyup) Pty Ltd – 18 Cromie Street, Rupanyup – Former Works

10.1 Mayor's Report – prepared by Cr Jean Wise

- 13-15 October National Local Roads & Transport Congress - Bunbury WA. Full report as attachment.
- 21 October Roadsafe Victoria AGM. This was the last meeting of the Board as we move closer to the implementation of the new Community Road Safety. MAV State Conference Dinner.
- 22 October Rural Councils Victoria Breakfast & AGM
Leadership Wimmera Graduation Dinner in Horsham. It is also good to hear that the State Government has committed \$100,000 for the Wimmera Leadership project.
- 23 October Awakenings Festival Carnivale Ball.
- 25 October Hopetoun Community BBQ Meeting at Gateway Beet. Reasonably well attended despite a number of apologies due to farming and locust activities, this once again proved to be a good avenue to meet, listen and discuss issues facing Hopetoun and surrounding area.
- 26 October Woodbine AGM.
- 27 October Council Forum.
- 28 October Launch of the WRLC E-Audio Books on line.
Official opening of the new Tourist Information Centre located in the Hall of Fame, along with the announcement by Member for Ripon, Joe Helper on behalf of the Minister for Regional and Rural Development which included \$300,000 towards the \$400,000 project for the Revitalisation of the Yarriambiack Creek Amenities at the Warracknabeal, Brim and Beulah Weir Pools and Lake Lascelles.
Warracknabeal Brass Band AGM with presentations of awards for service to the band for 70, 60 and 50 years.
- 31 October Met with members of the Rupanyup SES at the Driver Reviver Stop.
- 01 November VFF Combined DC and Branch Meeting – Warracknabeal
- 02 November Warracknabeal Action Group Meeting.
- 04 November Wimmera Uniting Care AGM – Stawell.
Warracknabeal Arts Council AGM
- 05 November Vicroads and Wimmera Cluster Forum – Horsham
Mayoral Meeting – Horsham
- 06 November Opening of the inaugural Minyip Community Market.
Wimmera Mallee Future Living Expo & Dinner
- 07 November Australian Local Government Women's Assoc Vic teleconference
- 08 November Roadsafe Wimmera Meeting in Warracknabeal.
- 09 November WDA Board Meeting and AGM

10.2 Councillor's Reports**Cr K Zanker**

13 October	Yarri Links Meeting 2pm
13 October	Wimmera Regional Library Corporation Short story competition presentation night.
14 October	Chair the meeting of the reference group for "transport options" pilot program to investigate options for transport that could be accessible to assist pre school children by 2013; so as to facilitate access of 15 hours of funded kindergarten.
14 October	Hopetoun Municipal Fire Prevention Meeting
18 October	Wimmera Volunteers meeting
19 October	Neighbourhood House Meeting
20 October	Rupanyup Municipal Fire Prevention Meeting – Apology
22 October	Wimmera Regional Library Meeting
25 October	Hopetoun Community consultations
26 October	Woodbine Inc AGM – Apology
27/28/29 October	Attended the 13 th National Volunteers Conference in Melbourne.
04 November	Warracknabeal Arts Council AGM - Apology

Cr H Ballentine

19 October	GWM Water Recreational Water Users Group Meeting in Horsham
25 October	Community Consultation meeting with Hopetoun Community - Hopetoun
26 October	YSC Municipal Recovery Meeting - Warracknabeal
26 October	Meeting of Tempy Commemorative Project Committee at Tempy
27 October	YSC Council Forum
02 November	Judged best cup day outfit at Hopetoun Senior Citizens lunch and Cup Day event
03 November	Attended YCAC meeting at mouth of Yarriambiack Creek
05 November	Attended MAV Professional Development Committee meeting in Melbourne - we have made suggestions to the board on educating councillors in their roles and ensuring new councillors know what is expected of them.

Apologies were given for Consultative meetings at Rupanyup and Murtoa, and HNHH function, along with the Regional Lakes Alliance Meeting in Birchip.

Cr J Kempfert

19 October	Ararat Rail Meeting
	Murtoa Progress Association Meeting
21 October	Murtoa Show Meeting

Cr A McLean

13 October	Yarrilinks Committee meeting in Warracknabeal, A debrief on this years event.
21/22 October	MAV Conference/MAV Dinner/ MAV State Council meeting in Melbourne. Premier Brumby opened the conference and spoke on Partnerships while reminding us of the millions of dollars of funding that the government have handed out. Nicky de Beer from the UK spoke on the changing Political Landscape, too many overlapping services and the need for more efficiencies to be made, too much admin costs. Peter Ryan (Nats) spoke on Local Government Today and Tomorrow. Sheila Bird spoke on the One Stop Health Care Shop. Barry Sheriff spoke on OHS changes. Lindsay Tanner spoke on Reform. Jon Faine conducted a panel session on Sustainable Population (Deal or No deal). State Council got a bit smoky when the area of the Sofitel above the location of the meeting caught fire, we reconvened at the MAV rooms and completed our meeting there.
25 October	Community BBQ at Hopetoun.
27 October	Council Forum.
03 November	Yarriambiack Creek Advisory Committee meeting in Jung.

Cr R Kingston

13 October	Yarrilinks Meeting – Warracknabeal. Planting weekend review. Three local environmental issues of concern raised, channel decommissioning, roadside cropping and illegal timber clearing.
15 October	LSAV Association Review Sub-Committee – Bendigo.
15 October	Victorian Local Government Climate Change Summit
20 October	Dunmunkle Fire Prevention Meeting – Rupanyup. Generally happy about Shire preparedness for coming fire season. Concern raised about ever growing workload for our Fire Prevention Officer
03 November	Minyip Progress Association
06 November	Wimmera Mallee Future Living Expo
08 November	Rupanyup Consultative Committee Meeting

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

- Met with Tony Bawden Acting Chief Executive Officer, Horsham Rural City Council
- Met with Bill Munday – Regional Manager Telstra
- Met with Terry Lewis Department Primary Industries Regional Manager – Locust Update
- Attended Walk to Work function organised by Rural Northwest Health
- Met with Workco representatives – Update
- Met with Peter Damerell – Human Resources Consultant
- Attended Gateway BEET meeting
- Met with Dean Miller Chief Executive Officer Hindmarsh Shire Council – various matters
- Met with Rob Wall – EBA matters
- Met with Woomelang & District Development Association
- Attended Municipal Association Victoria Dinner and Rural Councils Victoria presentation meeting
- Met with Reid Mather – North Western Municipalities Association meeting
- Met with Brad Ead – Council Internal Auditors
- Attended Wimmera Development Association Leadership Graduation Dinner in Horsham
- Met with Robert Rattray Acting Chief Executive Officer West Wimmera – various matters
- Met with Vincent Sully – Grampians Regional Management Forum
- Attended community visitation in Hopetoun
- Met with Peter Rademaker - Regional Development Victoria
- Attended Essential Services Commission Panel meeting
- Met with Greg Haines – University of Ballarat
- Attended BGA Regional Coordination Plan meeting in Horsham
- Met with Andrew Rose – GWMWater
- Attended Warracknabeal Action Group meeting
- Attended Wimmera Development Association AGM in Horsham

10.4 Director of Infrastructure & Planning Report – Prepared by James Magee**VICROADS WIMMERA CLUSTER MEETING**

Wimmera Councils met with Vicroads regional Management Officers on 5 November 2010. Yarriambiack Shire put forward a submission to Vicroads regarding the deteriorating state government controlled road network over previous months. YSC called for more funding to be allocated to rehabilitation of these important sealed roads.

ILUKA

The Minister for Planning gave approval to Iluka to load mineral sands onto rail at Hopetoun on 30 October 2010. Council will soon undertake contract works onsite with preparation of access tracks and loading pad. The road upgrade of Campbell St and Hopetoun West Road will commence after harvest.

ASSETS – Mick Evans

Finished developing 2010-11 Reseal Program

Research and develop reports for council on Road Requests -name changes and road upgrades

Update the Moloney asset register of all changes made this year including all asset condition inspections, hierarchy classification changes, bus route changes and changes to assets from the capital works program.

Prepare Grants Commission Report from all asset register data in the Moloney system for the finance department

Prepare locust maps in our GIS system for Matt Wellington on a daily basis

Together with Don Phillips from CT Management help develop a draft Asset Management Plan, Asset Policy and Asset Strategy

Prepare the annual Assets report for CT management (MAV & the new National Framework requirements) and Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD)

DESIGN – John Boehm

Annual Leave

ENVIRONMENT – Matt Wellington

Most of the month has been consumed by locust program, including meetings with DPI and other stakeholders, fielding enquiries from the public and farmers, and the coordination of up to three teams of operational field staff.

Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Alliance meetings and planning for the WMSA showcase event, the Wimmera Mallee Future Living Expo in Horsham.

YSC Community meetings at Rupanyup and Hopetoun

Clearing of stick rake and regulator at the mouth of Yarriambiack Creek.

Yarrilinks meetings and governance

Attendance at the Premiers Local Government Climate Change Summit in Bendigo.

TECHNICAL SERVICES – Tony Brennan

Traffic counter currently along Rainbow/Yaaapeet Road. Previously on Cemetery Road Warracknabeal.

Carry out cable location (phone) along outfall drain at Rupanyup prior to any constructions works beginning.

Issue reports for Plant/Vehicle checklists and email to all responsible managers

Upgrade works to **Primary Windsock Indicator** lighting at Hopetoun Aerodrome completed Fri 29th Oct and now meets with current standards.

Contacted Bryan Fitzgerald from Airport Survey Consultants re the building of a new Council Depot on the Hopetoun Aerodrome site along side the current hanger. He has confirmed there are no infringements as per the supplied plans and construction is approved.

Survey of Industrial Estate (Warracknabeal) to peg all boundaries per plan requirements including marking of all entrances for fencing contractor to begin in the upcoming weeks.

Meet with Doug McColl to sort out various watering issues re the roundabout area at the Town Hall. Will be programming the computer controller when the weather starts to warm up.

SALEYARDS

Due to various **Information Technology** issues within the building at the saleyards along with the total lack of security, a new deadlock, screen door and mesh screens on the windows have been fitted. A lockable cupboard/bench has also been constructed for the safe storage of the scanner, fax/phone, printer, modem, PA system microphone, power boards and electrical cords. Previously all this equipment had to be disconnected at the end of each sale and stored in the kitchen area next door, then reconnected again at the next sale. Connection issues occurred every time this took place either through human or technology error. Hopefully we have now eliminated all these issues.

Arrange for test/tag to be carried out on all electrical leads in Saleyard office and kitchen

TRUCKWASH

Software issues within the AVDATA program which is used to operate the Truckwash at the saleyards was causing data transfer issues which resulted in very high mobile phone accounts. AVDATA has since upgraded the software which has fixed this problem and reimbursed Council the agreed amount. Electronic key sales/registrations have increased which is proof that the system users has increased also.

BUILDING & PLANNING ACTIVITY

In **October 2010** following permits were issued:

Building: 7 Building Permits were issued.

Total Value of Building Work: **\$251,200**

Hopetoun – Toilet

Hopetoun – Alterations

Warracknabeal – Garage

Murtoa – Dwelling Extensions

Rupanyup – Storage Shed

Warracknabeal – Light Towers

Warracknabeal – Garage

6 applications were submitted in **October 2010**.

Planning: 7 Planning Permits were issued.

App No: TP18-10

Applicant: Brian Gunn

Address of Land: 102 Golf Links Rd, Warracknabeal

Proposal: Erection of light towers

Date Issued: 12/10/2010

App No: TP27-10

Applicant: Robin Barber

Address of Land: 27 Dimboola Rd, Warracknabeal

Proposal: Developed by the Construction of Storage Sheds, associated Earthworks.

Date Issued: 14/09/2010

App No: TP33-10

Applicant: Ross Cook

Address of Land: 33 Hopetoun West Rd, Hopetoun being Lot 1 & 2 PS 44984J Parish of Goyura

Proposal: Subdivision

Date Issued: 19 October 2010

App No: TP34-10

Applicant: Veronika Lorinc

Address of Land: 8 Arnold St, Warracknabeal

Proposal: Subdivision

Date Issued: Application Withdrawn

App No: TP23--10

Applicant: Trevor Newell

Address of Land: 81 Newell's Rd, Bangerang

Proposal: Subdivision

Date Issued: Application Withdrawn

App No: TP36-10

Applicant: Bendigo Bank

Address of Land: 63 Main St, Minyip being Lots 1 & 2 TP32275U
Parish of Nullan

Proposal: ATM Machine

Date Issued: 22 October 2010

App No: TP37-10

Applicant: Peter & Belinda O'Brien

Address of Land: CA 14 Speed Silo Rd, Speed Being Lot 1 on
TP218872M Vol 09016 Folio 019

Proposal: Subdivision

Date Issued: 19 October 2010

App No: TP41-10

Applicant: Peter Emmett

Address of Land: 18 Cromie St, Rupanyup

Proposal: Change of Use

Date Issued: 19 October 2010

9 applications were submitted in October 2010.

10.5 Technical Services – 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%	December 2010		Seal Street from Sunraysia Highway to Goudie Street
Doctor Pete's Car Park Hopetoun (\$15,914)	0%	December 2010		Construct and Seal
Haby Lane Murtoa (\$8,915)	0%	March 2011		Construct and Seal
McDonald Street car parking Murtoa (\$14,602)	0%	March 2011		Construct and Seal
Germaine Street Yaapeet (\$6,430)	0%	December 2010		Road widening for drainage purposes
Breen Street Murtoa (\$126,000)	0%	January 2011		
Dimboola – Minyip Rd (\$428,800)	-----	-----	-----	Horsham Rural City Council
Rainbow Yaapeet Rd (\$470,930)	0%	January 2011		
Burrum North Rd (\$55,174) Pavement Renewal	0%	November 2010		
Brim East Rd (Sheephills Bangerang Rd) (\$70,457) Pavement Renewal	0%	February 2011		
Brim East Rd (\$169,214) Pavement Renewal	0%	May 2011		
Brim West Rd (\$70,568) Pavement Renewal	0%	November 2010		
Mount Pleasant Rd (\$20,012) Pavement Renewal	0%	January 2011		
Rupanyup Rd (\$26,332) Pavement Renewal	0%	January 2011		
Galaquil East Rd (\$95,846) Pavement Renewal	100%	September 2010	11/10/2010	Road reconstruction

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Galaquil West Rd (\$48,977) Pavement Renewal	0%	October 2010		
Yaapeet Kenmare Rd (\$31,597) Pavement Renewal	0%	January 2011		
Minyip Rich Avon Rd (\$178,374) Pavement Renewal	0%	September 2010		
Minyip Banyena Rd (\$99,156) Pavement Renewal	100%	October 2010	19/10/2010	Road reconstruction
Brim East School Rd (\$90,248) Pavement Renewal	0%	April 2011		
Brim East School Rd (\$28,715) Pavement Renewal	0%	April 2011		
Brim East School Rd (\$7,179) Pavement Renewal	0%	April 2011		

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FOOTPATH PROGRAM 2010/2011

PROJECT	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Taverner Street Beulah (\$11,228)	0%	February 2011		Hotmix - Geotech
Austin Street Hopetoun (\$9,357)	100%	September 2010	September 2010	Premix – Geotech Shire
Dennys Street Hopetoun (\$11,228)	0%	November 2010		Hotmix - Geotech
Lascelles Street Hopetoun (\$12,943)	0%	December 2010		Hotmix – upgrade Geotech
Mitchell Place Hopetoun (\$5,848)	100%	September 2010	September 2010	Reseal - Shire
Murdoch Street Hopetoun (\$5,146)	0%	September 2010		Hotmix – upgrade Geotech
Cromie Street Murtoa (\$18,980)	0%	November 2010		Shire - Concrete
Duncan Street Murtoa (\$15,538)	0%	December 2010		Shire - Concrete
McDonald Street Murtoa (\$14,300)	0%	May 2011		Shire - Concrete
Dyer Street Rupanyup (\$9,357)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Hotmix – upgrade Geotech
Stewart Street Rupanyup (\$12,631)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Hotmix - Geotech
Wood Street Rupanyup (\$2,807)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Hotmix – upgrade Geotech
Craig Ave Warracknabeal (\$21,771)	100%	August 2010	September 2010	Shire - Concrete
Warunda Ave Warracknabeal (\$6,978)	100%	October 2010	October 2010	Shire - Concrete
Menin Ave Warracknabeal (\$12,505)	100%	September 2010	October 2010	Shire - Concrete
Roberts Street Woomelang (\$18,245)	100%	October 2010	September 2010	Sea Lake Contractor - Concrete
Main Street Minyip (\$11,618)	0%	February 2011		Shire - Concrete
Various (\$5,000)	0%			Renewal of short footpath sections
Various (\$10,000)	0%			Improvement Pedestrian Crossings at Intersections
Various (\$2,948)	0%			Allowance for new works & upgrades

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Gravel Resheets Completed –

Completed Gravel Resheets Works 15.149km

Mattiske's Rd
Minyip – Coromby Rd
Petering North Rd
Hopetoun West Rd
Rurades Rd

TOTAL GRAVEL RESHEET WORKS 53.657km

10.6 Community Services – Prepared by Gavin Blinman**KINDERGARTENS**

The Transport reference group has met and a sub committee will now engage a consultant to undertake the review across the 3 shires.

Enrolments for most kindergartens in 2011 are not too bad Murtoa in particular is looking good with 19 enrolments, Hopetoun has dropped to 7, some of the children from Woomelang will travel and enhance the Hopetoun enrolments.

Beulah is still a concern with low numbers and Warracknabeal is low but we expect this to change.

Our contaminated soil at the Murtoa Kindergarten has been removed and replaced.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Maternal and Child Health staff have recently run a full week of activities as part of children's week.

A good health and nutrition session was provided to each kindergarten or play group across the shire.

Staff have had to put up signs about parental behavior at clinics following abuse at one session.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH/LOCAL LAWS

Annual registrations are being sent out to all businesses for the 2011 year.

Issues dealt with this month include a complaint from the public about a local business, renovation work at a hotel and a consultant to work with a business that has failed testing recently.

The consultant will work with the business at their cost to ensure they comply with all food standards in future.

The school immunisation program has been completed for year 7 and 10 students. These students have received all vaccinations in accordance with the national immunisation schedule.

Councils Blue Green algae management policy has been initiated this month with all weir pools tested for recreational quality water.

24 Roosters were removed from a house in Warracknabeal, a number of stray dog issues have been reported again in a number of towns.

People going away need to ensure they make arrangements for others to care for their animals as a number of the stray animals have escaped while the house was unoccupied.

A number of unsightly notices sent out has resulted in clean ups occurring at most of the notified properties.

Some snake activity in towns is causing concerns. People need to take care around grass and walking trails.

Fire prevention inspections are all completed notices are going out and clean ups will commence shortly.

YOUTH

The youth worker is on leave this month.

EMERGENCY RELIEF

Very quiet month for relief, still seeing mostly new clients.
Many now being serviced by financial counselor services at Wimmera Uniting Care.

AGED AND DISABILITY

A review of all staffing is being carried out currently to look at the workforce issues across the shire in HACC services.

We are breaking down the client statistics and trying to develop a better way of servicing the community faced with the limited human resources we now have. Staff in Hopetoun now service 14 clients per person, Warracknabeal 16.75, Rupanyup 15.75 and Murtoa 13.20 on average per week.

The difficult issue is replacing retiring staff or staff on long term sick leave. The answer is not always to rush out and employ more people as advertising can be costly and the last 2 times did not really provide good results.

We will now look at the recruiting options we have. Especially in small communities as it may be more cost effective to pay others to travel in future.

VOLUNTEER TRANSPORT

While we transported 22 clients 4,746 kilometers this month we are aware that a number of clients are now accessing our volunteer drivers by private arrangement. We are concerned that some clients may still think the shire is approving this. A notice will go out to all clients informing them that only bookings through our coordinator are approved by the shire and covered by our insurance.

Moved Cr A McLean seconded Cr K Zanker that Council suspend standing orders at 10.30am.

Carried

Moved Cr J Kemfert seconded Cr G Lovel that Council resume standing orders at 11.00am.

Carried

10.7 Economic Development Report – Prepared by Terry Sanders

Meetings Attended

18/10/10 – Y-Fest Committee
19/10/10 – Murtoa Progress Association
22/10/10 – Wheatlands Museum Committee re redevelopment
25/10/10 – Hopetoun Community Visit
02/11/10 – WAG Meeting

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Housing Developments

Planning Officer David Young is preparing a report for Council on potential residential developments on Council land and the cost implications.

Wimmera Mallee Pipeline

As reported last month, we are working with DPI on the development of information sessions for farmers looking to invest in more intensive agriculture businesses as a result of improved water security provided by the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline.

At the time of writing this report, DPI is yet to confirm details of the information sessions.

Regional Development Victoria is also interested in being involved from a funding point of view but it would need to be a regional program.

“Buy Local” Program

A single page ‘flyer’ has been prepared as a “message from the Mayor” and will be mailed to all residents during November and early December to reinforce the “buy local” message.

Business Bulletin

The Xmas edition of our Business Bulletin is being prepared and will be forwarded to all businesses on our data base.

Warracknabeal Industrial Estate

Work is due to commence shortly on the installation of the required infrastructure.

Yarriambiack Creek Walking Track, Warracknabeal

Work is about to commence on the upgrade and extensions to the walking track around the creek. As previously advised, we were able to secure funding of \$17,160 from the State Government under the Small Towns Development Fund and the upgrade to the interpretive signage has been completed and the supporting collateral material is being printed.

TOURISM

Yarriambiack Tourism Association

The first meeting of the recently formed Local Tourism Association is planned for Thursday 25th November and invitations have gone out to all town Progress Associations or similar.

Tourism Brochures

The “refreshed” editions of our range of town brochures are currently being printed by North West Press.

Caravan Parks

As discussed with Council, the new regulations could have serious ramifications for our community operated camping areas and Marianne Ferguson will be liaising with our communities to ensure that they are fully aware of the options available to them.

Y-Fest

Planning for the 2011 event is well underway and an application for event funding has been submitted to Regional Development Victoria.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Country Football and Netball Program 2010/11:

This program is now open and an application for the Murtoa Football Change Rooms Redevelopment is currently being prepared.

Community Facilities Funding Program – Minors 2011/2012 (Sport and Recreation):

Awaiting the outcome of our three applications submitted under this program

Sustainable Sports Grounds Program:

Awaiting the outcome of our application submitted for the Murtoa Golf Club Irrigation Upgrade project.

Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program 2010:

The third progress reports were due at the end of October and of the six outstanding projects five progress reports have been submitted together with a final report for the Senior Citizens Undercover Outdoor Areas project.

Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program 2011:

Waiting on the outcome of our thirteen applications submitted under this round of funding.

2010 Second Round of Shire Community Assistance Grants:

Applications closed for this grant program on Friday 22nd October and the recommendations for applicant funding are listed as a separate item for consideration in this meeting.

Projects to be Acquitted:

The Minyip Wetlands Traveller's Rest Development, the Lake Marma Walking Track and the McGinnis Park Facilities Upgrade projects are all complete and will be acquitted over the forthcoming weeks.

SHARE PROGRAM (Sustainable, Healthy, Adaptable, Resilient, Engaged)**Beulah:**

- **Community & Business Survey** – The Community & Business Survey was completed by 20 Beulah residents. Results from the survey will be utilised in the Beulah Community Action Plan.

Hopetoun:

- **Hopetoun Progress Association:** The Association is struggling for committee members and office bearers. As a result of this, the committee is exploring the option of an online membership model where committee members communicate via email and possibly a web site.

Murtoa:

- **Lake Marma and Rabi Park Management and Development Plan** – Final consultation was completed on the 29th of October. The final plan is expected to be completed and presented in late November.

RV Friendly Town and Destination:

Minyip is now classified as an RV Friendly Town by the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia.

Yaapeet was successful in obtaining RV Friendly Destination status by the organization. For further information regarding the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia, go to www.cmca.net.au

Lascelles:

- **Signage** - The Lascelles Progress Association is currently designing signage for the entrances of town. The signage is subject to Vic Roads approval.

Patchewollock:

- **Community Planning Forum** - The Patchewollock Community Planning Forum was held on the 5th of October. Results from the forum will be utilized in the Patchewollock Community Action Plan.

Web Site

The Lascelles Progress Association and Patchewollock Progress Association are currently developing web sites for their communities.

Meetings Attended:

Date	Meeting
5 October	Patchewollock Community Planning Forum
11 October	Rupanyup Council Visitation
11 October	Rupanyup Consultative Committee
12 October	Patchewollock Progress Association
14 October	Lascelles Progress Association
18 October	Y-Fest
20 October	Yaapeet Community Club
25 October	Hopetoun Council Visitation
25 October	Hopetoun Progress Association
29 October	Minyip SHARE

11 REPORTS FOR DECISION

11.1 Finance Report – Prepared by Anita McFarlane

The Finance Report as at October 2010 will be tabled.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Finance Report as at October 2010 be received.

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr J Kemfert that the Finance Report as at October 2010 be received.

Carried

11.2 Revenue Report – Prepared by Chantelle Pitt

The Revenue Report as at November 2010 will be tabled.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Revenue Report as at November 2010 be received

Moved Cr G Level seconded Cr R Kingston that the Revenue Report as at November 2010 be received.

Carried

11.3 DERELICT BUILDINGS – Prepared by Wayne Wilkie and James Magee

In recent times there have been a considerable number of requests and complaints brought to the Building Departments attention concerning the current status of a number of buildings either in a ruinous and dangerous state or in a derelict condition throughout the Municipality. Each building brought to Councils attention has been investigated and the various processes implemented to contact the relevant owner/ratepayer allowing the prescribed time frames for a response and implementation of remedial works to be carried out as necessary. In a minority of cases we have had success in achieving an amicable resolution to the situation where local owners have responded to requests to eradicate the problem.

Unfortunately the number of unoccupied, unmaintained properties is increasing along with arrears in payment of rates which is an indication why a call to action has resulted in no action from the property owner.

A building in Minyip is a perfect example of the point in question where hours of time and costs have been incurred as all efforts to communicate with the registered owner has been ignored, while the danger to the public owner has escalated enormously and the local police officer has raised concerns about adolescence frequenting the building and the eminent risks exposure created with such buildings remaining in the community. These circumstances leave Council in a precarious position & exposed to a high degree of risk should damage or injury be caused to any adjoining property or member of the public, particularly when Council is aware of a situation and has not caused the risk to be mitigated.

Therefore I believe it would be appropriate for Council to empower the Chief Executive Officer to cause such works as are necessary to make any building safe including demolition, providing proper process has been observed by Council's Building Surveyor and every endeavour to notify the owner has been exhausted. Demolition can be costly, however in many cases, there is no other option and is simply a matter of being the correct process to follow.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council support the actions of Councils Building Surveyor in maintaining the safety of buildings within the Municipality and give delegated authority for demolition of buildings to the Chief Executive Officer or his representative on recommendation from the Municipal Building Surveyor.

Moved Cr H Ballentine seconded Cr J Kemfert that Council support the actions of Councils Building Surveyor in maintaining the safety of buildings within the Municipality and give delegated authority for demolition of buildings to the Chief Executive Officer or his representative on recommendation from the Municipal Building Surveyor.

Carried

Mayor J Wise and Cr G Lovel left room due to conflict of interest.

Cr R Kingston resumed

11.4 COMMUNITY GROUP FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME - December 2010 - Prepared by Dennis Smith

Council received 26 applications for funding under this scheme of which 25 conformed to the criteria (one applicant had received funding in the June 2010 round). The total budget for this round is \$10,000, therefore those applicants requesting over \$450 have had the amount of funding reduced to \$450.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED - DECEMBER 2010 ROUND OF FUNDING.

COMMUNITY GROUP	PROJECT DETAILS	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
Beulah Learning & Progress Assoc	Purchase finisher	\$500	\$450
Beulah Senior Citizens Indoor Bowls	Purchase a set of carpet bowls	\$420	\$420
Brim Lions Club	Purchase cash box	\$450	\$450
Brim Sports and Social Club	Landscaping	\$500	\$500
Hopetoun A&P Society	Purchase filing cabinet and desk	\$500	\$450
Hopetoun Campus Ladies Auxiliary	Purchase blinds	\$500	\$450
Hopetoun CWA	Purchase acknowledgment plaque	\$487	\$450
Hopetoun Happy Helpers	Purchase vacuum cleaner	\$500	\$450
Hopetoun Lake Committee	Purchase refrigerator	\$500	\$450
Hopetoun Patchwork Group	Build storage cupboard	\$500	\$450
Hopetoun Scout Group	Purchase vanity units	\$500	\$450
Hopetoun Swimming Pool	Purchase handrails	\$500	\$450
Hopetoun Traders	Purchase Christmas decorations	\$500	\$450
Lascelles Progress Assoc	Purchase table and chairs	\$500	\$450
Minyip Progress Assoc	Purchase signage	\$500	\$450
Minyip Tennis Club	Purchase refrigerator and urn	\$500	\$450
Rupanyup Bowls Club	Purchase bench seats	\$450	\$450
Rupanyup Consultative Committee	Renew lawn at Custs Store	\$450	\$450
Rupanyup Memorial Hall	Replace stove top	\$500	\$450
Rupanyup Woods Museum Committee	Purchase name tags	\$500	\$450
Warracknabeal Croquet Club	Purchase Croquet balls and clips	\$400	\$400
Warracknabeal Historical Society	Purchase digital camera	\$300	\$300
Warracknabeal Men's Shed	Purchase ripsaw	\$500	\$450
Woomelang Seniors Indoor Bowls	Purchase underlay	\$200	\$200
Yaapeet Tennis Club	Assist with Christmas function	\$500	\$450
			\$10,770

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the payment of the above grants.

Moved Cr J Kemfert seconded Cr A McLean that Council approve the payment of the above grants.

Carried

Mayor J Wise and Cr G Lovel re-entered Council Chambers.**Mayor J Wise resumed as Chairperson****11.5 YOUTH GRANTS - Prepared by Gavin Blinman**

The current round of Celebrating Young People Youth Grants attracted 5 entries requesting a total of \$4,247.00. All of these meet the criteria and are recommended for funding.

Yarriambiack Shire Youth Services	\$ 997.00
Yaapeet Tennis Club	\$ 700.00
Beulah Netball Club	\$ 1,000.00
Genr8 Little Desert Adventure	\$ 1,000.00
Warracknabeal Secondary College	\$ 550.00
	\$4,247.00

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the payment of the above grants.

Moved Cr A McLean seconded Cr K Zanker that Council approves the payment of the above grants.

Carried

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**11.6 LEASE OF COUNCIL LAND TO EMMETT MOTORS (RUPANYUP) PTY LTD – 18 CROMIE STREET, RUPANYUP – FORMER WORKS DEPOT – prepared by Bernie Naylor**

Council was approached by Emmett Motors (Rupanyup) Pty Ltd, to ascertain whether they could lease the abovementioned property from Council.

Following discussions with Emmett Motors (Rupanyup) Pty Ltd, we have come to an agreement to lease the property for \$2,000 per annum plus GST.

Lease agreement documents have now been prepared by Council's solicitors, Saines Lucas for the lease of the abovementioned land owned by Council

Council is now required to sign and seal the agreement for the lease of the land being Lot 1 – on TP 939114L described in Certificate of Title Volume 1192 folio 244.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council sign and seal the agreement to lease the land being the 18 Cromie Street, Rupanyup (Former Council Works Depot) site, which is Lot 1 – on TP 939114L described in Certificate of Title Volume 1192 folio 244 to Emmett Motors (Rupanyup) Pty Ltd.

The lease is for three years with further extensions by negotiation.

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr G Lovel that Council sign and seal the agreement to lease the land being the 18 Cromie Street, Rupanyup (Former Council Works Depot) site, which is Lot 1 – on TP 939114L described in Certificate of Title Volume 1192 folio 244 to Emmett Motors (Rupanyup) Pty Ltd.

The lease is for three years with further extensions by negotiation.

Carried

12 GENERAL BUSINESS (including strategic direction and specific issues)

Moved Cr R Kingston seconded Cr G Lovel that Council advocate for the continuation of the VICSWIM program.

Carried

13 CLOSED SESSION

Moved Cr H Ballentine seconded Cr G Lovel that Council move into Closed Session.

Carried

Moved Cr H Ballentine seconded Cr K Zanker that Council move out of Closed Session.

Carried

Moved Cr A McLean seconded Cr J Kemfert that Council adopt the resolutions from the Closed Session of Council.

Carried

Moved Cr J Kemfert seconded Cr R Kingston that Yarriambiack Shire Council accepts the tender from William Adams to supply and deliver one (1) Caterpillar 12M grader for the contract sum of \$260,000 including trade and that the Contract documents be signed and sealed by Council.

Carried

14 MINUTES FROM MEETINGS

15 ATTACHMENTS / REPORTS

16 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 8 December 2010 at 9.30am at Warracknabeal.

17 CLOSE

The meeting closed at 11.55am

Chairperson