

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE YARRIAMBICK SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE 34 LYLE STREET WARRACKNABEAL AT 9.30 AM ON WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER 2016

1 WELCOME

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Acknowledging Traditional Owners

‘I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagulk people, and I pay respects to their Elders, both past and present’

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 G Massey, H Ballentine, T Hamilton, C Heintze, S Roberts, J Wise, K Zanker, Ray Camping (Chief Executive Officer), James Magee (Director Infrastructure & Planning) and (Bernardine Schilling (Executive Assistant)

5 APOLOGIES

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council & Closed Session of Council – 23 November 2016.

Moved Cr T Hamilton seconded Cr J Wise the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and Closed Session of Council held on 23 November 2016 be confirmed.

Carried

7 REPORTS FOR DECISION

- 7.1 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme, November 2016
- 7.2 Land Lease for Patchewollock
- 7.3 Warracknabeal Aerodrome Airservices Non Directional Beacon (NDB) Decommissioning
- 7.4 Review of Road Management Plan
- 7.5 Warracknabeal Emergency Services Complex
- 7.6 Request for the Discontinuance of Hopetoun Lane 12

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**7.1 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme, November 2016
Prepared by Marianne Ferguson**

Council received 27 applications for funding under the Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme. The total amount requested by the various organisations is \$13,371-58.

Summary of applications received:

	Organisation	Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
1	Beulah Historic learning and Progress Association	Conduct maintenance and upgrades to the Beulah entrance signs including painting.	\$500.00	\$350
2	Boolite Public Hall & Recreation Reserve	To upgrade playground equipment including ropes, seats, slide, footrests and chains on swings.	\$400.00	\$400
3	Brim Memorial Bowling Club	Purchase a push mower.	\$500.00	\$350
4	Brim Sports & Social Club Inc	To purchase table cloths for the tables.	\$496.58	\$350
5	Hopetoun & District Neighbourhood House	Junior Garden Club program.	\$500.00	\$350
6	Hopetoun Bowls Club	To assist in the replacement of pavers with concrete under shelters.	\$500.00	\$350
7	Hopetoun Swimming Pool	Trees to provide shelter and a wind break.	\$500.00	\$350
8	Lions Club of Minyip	Assist in holding an Australia Day Breakfast.	\$500.00	\$350
9	Minyip Golf Club	To update all honour boards in the club house.	\$500.00	\$350
10	Minyip Recreation Reserve	Repairs to the roof of the players change facilities.	\$500.00	\$350
11	Murtoa & District Historical Society	Replace Deteriorated Blinds in the Water Tower Museum.	\$500.00	\$450
12	Murtoa Bowling Club	Assist with maintenance to roof and landscaping.	\$500.00	\$350
13	Patchewollock Community Centre	To install a water filter on the kitchen rain water tap and maintenance to the air conditioners.	\$500.00	\$450

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14	Patchewollock Music Festival	Assist in holding a 3 day Music Festival at Patchewollock.	\$500.00	\$350
15	Rupanyup A & P Society	Advertising and entertainment.	\$500.00	\$350
16	Rupanyup Memorial Hall	To replace a PA system in the main hall and supper room.	\$500.00	\$450
17	Rupanyup RSL Sub Branch	Dividing fence to separate the RSL building from the car park	\$500.00	\$350
18	Sheep Hills Hall	Purchase a Pie Warmer	\$500.00	\$350
19	Warracknabeal & District Band	Purchase new/used Instruments for 2017.	\$500.00	\$350
20	Warracknabeal Bowling Club	To extend shade for bowlers, spectators.	\$500.00	\$350
21	Warracknabeal Community Centre	Purchase of new crockery to cater for the capacity of the building.	\$475.00	\$450
22	Warracknabeal Ladies Rest Rooms	Exterior painting of the building.	\$500.00	\$450
23	Woomelang Flower Show Committee	Purchase a pie warmer.	\$500.00	\$350
24	Woomelang Golf Club	Purchase a pump to improve the cold water pressure from the water tank to the kitchen sink and hand basin bowl.	\$500.00	\$350
25	Woomelang Lions Club	To purchase iron artwork for the Woomelang Caravan Park. (For the Tough As Iron Community Project)	\$500.00	\$350
26	Woomelang Recreation Reserve	Purchase a push lawnmower.	\$500.00	\$350
27	YCHANGE partners	To assist with the costs associated with development, implementation of an eye catching, informative, graphical representation of the benefits of YCHANGE	\$500.00	\$350
		TOTAL	\$13,371.58	\$10,000

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Recommendation

That Council approves the above nominated projects under the 2016/2017 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme.

Moved Cr T Hamilton seconded Cr H Ballentine that Council approves the above nominated projects under the 2016/2017 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme.

Carried

7.2 Land Lease for Patchewollock – Prepared by Gavin Blinman

VicTrack and Yarriambiack Shire Council have recently negotiated a new lease for the Patchewollock Railway Station and surrounding area.

Council has added the additional area for the new walking track and has recently added the silo to the art trail. The Railway Station area is already used by the community.

The annual cost is \$750.

Recommendation

That Council Sign and Seal the new lease for 5 years.

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr K Zanker that Council Sign and Seal the new lease for 5 years.

Carried

7.3 Warracknabeal Aerodrome Airservices Non Directional Beacon (NDB) Decommissioning – Prepared by Michael Evans

Council has been informed by Airservices Australia that they are currently transitioning to a Global Navigational Satellite System (GNSS). As a result, the NDB at the Warracknabeal Aerodrome has been nominated for decommissioning. The lease for this facility was due to expire in 2017.

Airservices intends to demolish the towers and arrange removal of the steelwork and all other associated infrastructure would then become the asset of Council.

Airservices will commence planning the work activity with the view to completion by June 2017.

As part of the decommissioning process, a Deed of Surrender and Transfer document has been sent to Council for agreement and signing.

Attachments:

- Photos of the site and assets
- AirServices Hazmat Report
- Drawing of the NDB Earthmat

Recommendation

That Council agrees to the Deed of Surrender by signing and sealing the Transfer document as tabled.

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr C Heintze that Council agrees to the Deed of Surrender by signing and sealing the Transfer document as tabled.

Carried

7.4 Review of Road Management Plan – Prepared by Michael Evans

Council advertised in mid November 2016, its intention to review their Road Management Plan and invited written submissions on the proposed review until Friday 9 December 2016. Council received no written submissions in relation to the Road Management Plan.

The Road Management Plan nominates standards for safety and inspections of Council roads.

Recommendation

That Council ratify the action of advertising the planned review of the Road Management Plan.

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr T Hamilton that Council ratify the action of advertising the planned review of the Road Management Plan.

Carried

7.5 Warracknabeal Emergency Services Complex – Prepared by Michael Evans

Council's Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee Meeting received a letter in October from the Warracknabeal Brim VFF Branch.

The focus of the letter was that with the recent lodgment of a planning permit in relation to the construction of a new CFA building in Woolcock Street Warracknabeal that perhaps some thought be given to situating all emergency services within the same locale.

Talks within the MEMPC Meeting determined, that aside from the new CFA building, there have been discussions and/or consultation in relation to:-

- The construction of a new Police Station;
- Additions/alterations to the Ambulance Station; and
- Extensions to the VicSES building.

A recommendation was made that the Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee writes a letter to Council and ask that Council lobby the following:-

- Craig Lapsley – Victoria's Emergency Management Commissioner
- James Merlino – Minister for Emergency Services
- Jill Hennessy – Minister for Health, Minister for Ambulance Services
- Tony Walker – CEO, Ambulance Victoria
- VicSES – CEO, Stephen Griffin
- CFA – CEO, Frances Diver
- VicPol – Superintendent Paul Margetts
- Politicians
- and all other relevant Government bodies

Requesting that as each emergency service is planning to upgrade their buildings in Warracknabeal in some form or another in the immediate future; rather than each service working independently, they pool their resources and establish an Emergency Services Complex in Warracknabeal; or at the very least, locate all emergency services within the same locale in Warracknabeal.

Recommendation

That Yarriambiack Shire Council writes a letter to each person below lobbying for the establishment of an Emergency Services Complex in Warracknabeal.

- Craig Lapsley – Victoria's Emergency Management Commissioner
- James Merlino – Minister for Emergency Services
- Jill Hennessy – Minister for Health, Minister for Ambulance Services
- VicSES – CEO, Stephen Griffin
- CFA – CEO, Frances Diver
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- Politicians
- and all other relevant Government bodies
- Police Minister – Lisa Neville

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Moved Cr T Hamilton seconded Cr S Roberts that Yarriambiack Shire Council writes a letter to each person below lobbying for the establishment of an Emergency Services Complex in Warracknabeal.

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- **VicPol – Superintendent Paul Margetts**
- **Politicians**
- **and all other relevant Government bodies**
- **Police Minister – Lisa Neville**

Carried

7.6 Request for the Discontinuance of Hopetoun Lane 12 – Prepared by Nathan McLean

On 23 March Council moved that due process of the Geographic Name Guidelines be followed and advertised to the public that consideration be given to close “Hopetoun Lane 12”. This has been identified as a privately owned road on a Certificate of Title. Council advertised in all relevant local papers and invited comments or objections from any interested parties as per the Geographic Name Guidelines. There were 2 comments received with no objections.

Council adopted the road closure of Hopetoun Lane 12 and removed this from the Yarriambiack Shire Council Road Register.

The Principal of Russell Kennedy Pty Ltd has recommended that we go through the process of “Discontinuing Hopetoun Lane 12”.

On 28 September Council moved that due process and advertise to the public in accordance with Section 223 that Hopetoun Lane 12 be discontinued under Section 206 (1) and Schedule 10 Clause 3 of the Local Government Act (“1989”).

Section 206 (1) and Clause 3 of Schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 1989 (“LG Act”) provides a power for Council to discontinue a road by a notice in the Government Gazette and to sell or transfer the land from the road. This applies to both Crown and private roads.

Council advertised in all relevant local papers and invited comments or objections from any interested parties as per the Geographic Name Guidelines. There were no comments received with no objections.

Recommendation

The recommendation is that Council adopt the Discontinuance of Hopetoun Lane 12 under Section 206 (1) and Schedule 10 Clause 3 of the Local Government Act 1989 (“LG Act”).

Moved Cr H Ballentine seconded Cr S Roberts that Council adopt the Discontinuance of Hopetoun Lane 12 under Section 206 (1) and Schedule 10 Clause 3 of the Local Government Act 1989 (“LG Act”).

Carried

8 GENERAL BUSINESS (including strategic direction and specific issues)

Cr K Zanker presented Annual Report from SunRCS. SunRCS provides a free financial counseling service to eligible small business drought affected areas in North West Victoria.

Cr J Wise attended a Wimmera Roadsafe Meeting on Monday, 12 December – Message to Community; everyone drive safe on roads during the Christmas period and be mindful of farm vehicles on the roads during this time of year.

9 CLOSED SESSION

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr K Zanker that Council move into Closed Session.

Carried

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr T Hamilton that Council move back into Open Session.

Carried

Moved Cr H Ballentine seconded Cr C Heintze that Council adopt the Resolutions from the Closed Session of Council.

Carried

10 MINUTES FROM MEETINGS

11 ATTACHMENTS / REPORTS

12 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 25 January 2017 at 9:30am at Warracknabeal.

13 CLOSE

Mayor