

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE YARRIAMBICK SHIRE COUNCIL TO BE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE 34 LYLE STREET WARRACKNABEAL AT 9.30 AM ON WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE 2011

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

Cr J Kemfert, R Kingston, J Wise, K Zanker, A McLean, H Ballentine, James Magee (Acting CEO) & Bernie Naylor (Acting Director Infrastructure & Planning)

5 Apologies

Cr G Lovel & Ray Campling (Chief Executive Officer)

6 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

7 Draft Budget 2011- 2012 – prepared by Anita McFarlane (*Tabled*)

The Draft Budget 2011 – 2012 is presented to Council for consideration.

Recommendation

That Council gives Public Notice as required under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989 that the 2011/2012 Budget has been prepared.

Moved Cr K Zanker seconded Cr J Wise that Council gives Public Notice as required under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989 that the 2011/2012 Budget has been prepared.

Carried

PERMIT FOR ROADSIDE FIREWOOD COLLECTION

FIRST NAME: _____ SURNAME _____

ADDRESS: _____

TOWN: _____ POST CODE: _____

PHONE NUMBERS: Home: Work: Mob: _____

VEHICLE MAKE/MODEL: _____ / _____ COLOUR OF VEHICLE: _____

REGISTRATION NO: _____ STATE: _____

LOCATION OF FIRE WOOD COLLECTION (ROAD NAME): _____

Fee: \$16:00 Full, \$9:00 Concession

CONDITIONS

- This Permit is valid for **one month** from the application date.
- Firewood collection is **not** permitted on the roads listed on the reverse side of this application.
- This Permit does not entitle the holder to exclusive use.
- This Permit is not transferable and is limited to 1 cubic metre.
- Firewood obtained under this Permit is for personal use only.
- Firewood is to be collected from fallen dead wood on the roadside only. No trees (alive or dead) are to be felled nor are branches to be cut from standing trees (alive or dead).
- The Permit Holder must do everything practicable to prevent the spread of weeds on the roadside. This includes using chainsaws and vehicles cleaned of vegetative matter.
- It is the Permit Holder's responsibility to take all reasonable care and avoid any damage to native vegetation, including trees, shrubs, grasses and ground covers.
- The use of heavy vehicles is not permitted.
- Firewood collection is not permitted on 'Total Fire Ban' days or on days of extreme fire danger.
- This Permit is only valid in dry conditions.
- All litter must be taken from the site.
- It is the responsibility of the licensed driver to observe all Victorian road rules and be considerate of other road users.
- Do not drive off the road formation.
- Plant and machinery operators should be competent in its use, wear appropriate safety clothing, avoid working alone and have a first aid kit available.
- The Permit Holder shall carry this Permit at all times whilst collecting firewood under this Permit and firewood must be transported in the nominated vehicle that appears on the Permit.
- The Permit Holder agrees to hold harmless the Yarriambiack Shire Council, its servants and agents and each of them in connection with all claims resulting from damage, loss, death or injury whatsoever which may otherwise be brought or made or claimed by the Permit Holder or their beneficiaries against the Yarriambiack Shire Council.

I certify that the information in this application is true and correct. I have read and understood the conditions and acknowledge the prohibited roads for firewood collection as listed overleaf.

(Signature of Applicant) _____ **(Date)** _____

PERMIT FOR ROADSIDE FIREWOOD COLLECTION

Firewood collection is NOT PERMITTED on the following roads.

Borong Highway

Sunraysia Highway

Henty Highway

Wimmera Highway

Stawell-Warracknabeal Rd

Warracknabeal-Birchip Rd

Warracknabeal-Rainbow Rd

Jeparit-Warracknabeal Rd

Horsham-Kalkee Rd

Donald-Murtoa Rd

Horsham-Minyip Rd

Murtoa-Glenorchy Rd

Birchip-Rainbow Rd

Hopetoun-Rainbow Rd

Hopetoun- Sea Lake Rd

Hopetoun-Walpeup Rd

Patchewollock-Sea Lake Rd

Ailsa Rd

Dumbuoy Rd

Longerenong Rd

Any Creek Frontages or Reserves

8 Roadside Firewood Collection Permits - Prepared by Geoff Harvey

The introduction of a Council Firewood Collection system will bring us in line with the current Department of Sustainability & Environment Firewood Permit system and give Council some control over the collection of firewood from roadsides in the Yarriambiack Shire.

The restrictions listed will protect the high value roadsides from firewood collection and make firewood legally available to those who need it. I believe that Council should monitor the system this winter to gauge its effectiveness and to determine if any changes need to be introduced in the future.

Recommendation

I recommend that Council adopt this Firewood Collection Permit system as listed.

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr R Kingston that Council adopt the Firewood Collection Permit system as listed.

Carried

9 Woomelang Bush Nursing Centre Section 173 Agreement - prepared by Tim Rose

The Bush Nursing Centre (BNC) is seeking approval of an Agreement under Section 173 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*. This agreement is to provide the BNC with permission to dispose of their wastewater on an adjacent block, owned by the Country Fire Authority.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Yarriambiack Shire Council sign and seal the agreement to allow for all appropriate works to the wastewater system to be undertaken in accordance with legislation.

Moved Cr J Wise seconded Cr R Kingston that Council sign and seal the agreement to allow for all appropriate works to the wastewater system to be undertaken in accordance with legislation.

Carried

10 Meeting Closed 9:45am

Moved Cr R Kingston seconded Cr H Ballentine that Council Meeting closed at 9:45am.

Carried

Mayor