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# **MINUTES**

#### 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS:

THE PRESIDENT CR. HUTCHINSON DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 11.15 AM.

#### 2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/ APOLOGIES/ APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

### **ATTENDANCE**

CR. HUTCHINSON (PRESIDENT)

CR. OÍDWYER (DEPUTY PRESIDENT)

CR. BAIN

CR. BURROWS

CR. HUNT

CR. VAN DEN OEVER

CR. TRENFIELD

CR. NICHOLS

#### **OFFICERS**

T.A. HARTMAN (C.E.O.)

N. J. HOLMES (DEPUTY C.E.O.)

## **APOLOGIES**

CR. HOWDEN

# 3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE:

Nil.

# 4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Nil.

#### 5. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

#### **Council Resolution**

RESOLVED: (Moved by Cr. Burrows Seconded By Cr. Trenfield)

THAT LEAVE OF ABSENCE BE GRANTED TO CR. O'DWYER and CR. BAIN FOR THE AUGUST 2003, MEETING.

#### 6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

6.1 ORDINARY MEETING HELD 21st JUNE 2003.

## **Council Resolution**

RESOLVED: (Moved by Cr. Hunt Seconded by Cr. Van den Oever)

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup> 2003 BE CONFIRMED.

**CARRIED 8.0** 

7. PETITION/ DEPUTATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS/ SUBMISSIONS:

Nil.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION:

Nil.

9. REPORTS OF COUNCILLORS:

Cr. OíDwyer - Attendance at Sub Group meeting of RRG - Cr. OíDwyer elected Chairman.

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10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

SUBMITTED TO THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING

TO BE HELD JULY 19<sup>th</sup> 2003.

10.1.1 <u>Budget Adoption: 2003/04</u>

File Ref: B/25

**Reporting Officer:** Tom Hartman CEO.

Disclosure of Interest: Nil.

Date of Report: 14<sup>th</sup> July 2003

**Summary:** Report refers to the Budget papers for consideration for the 2003/04 Budget.

**Background:** The Draft Budget for the 2003/04 financial year is attached to the Agenda. A separate sheet is also attached summarising major items of expenditure and comments.

**Comment:** Appropriate comments will be made on the budget deliberations.

**Consultation:** Various Councillors, residents, suppliers and funding organisations.

**Statutory Environment:** Local Government Act Section 6.2.

Policy Implications: Nil.

**Financial Implications:** Budget is the major financial document for the year.

**Strategic Implications:** Budget has positive implications.

**Voting Requirements:** Absolute Majority.

#### Recommendation:

THAT THE DRAFT BUDGET BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED FOR THE 2003/04 FINANCIAL YEAR AND THE FOLLOWING RATES AND CHARGES BE ADOPTED:

TOWN GROSS RENTAL VALUES 8.3940 CENTS IN THE DOLLAR U V (PASTORAL) 5.6650 CENTS IN THE DOLLAR U V (MINING) 8.7280 CENTS IN THE DOLLAR

MINIMUM RATE \$120

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FEES AND CHARGES AS PER SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES.

**Council Resolution:** 

RESOLVED: (Moved by Cr. Trenfield Seconded by Cr. Burrows)

THAT THE DRAFT BUDGET BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED FOR THE 2003/04 FINANCIAL YEAR AND THE FOLLOWING RATES AND CHARGES BE ADOPTED:

TOWN GROSS RENTAL VALUES
U V (PASTORAL)
U V (MINING)

8.3940 CENTS IN THE DOLLAR
5.6650 CENTS IN THE DOLLAR
8.7280 CENTS IN THE DOLLAR

MINIMUM RATE \$120

FEES AND CHARGES AS PER SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES.

#### **CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8.0**

10.1.2 Review of the WALGA. Model Code of Conduct -

Discussion Paper.

File Ref: M/15/7

**Reporting Officer:** Tom Hartman CEO.

Disclosure of Interest: Nil.

Date of Report: 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2003

**Summary:** Report raises Council awareness to the proposed review and possible introduction of Regulations to enforce it's requirements.

**Background:** The attached letter from the Western Australian Local Government Association explains the Review.

**Comment:** There has been suggestions for a number of years now, that the existing Code of Conduct adopted by most Council's has not been effective or indeed taken seriously by some Local Governments. Like most things that are not enforceable by law do not achieve the desired result. Consequently the Code of Conduct will most likely now have Regulations to enforce non compliance.

Councillors should study the proposal and advise any comments.

Consultation: Nil.

**Statutory Environment:** Local Government Act 5-103

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Policy Implications: Nil.

Financial Implications: Nil.

Strategic Implications: Nil.

**Voting Requirements:** Simple

#### Recommendation:

- THAT COUNCIL RAISE THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED CODE OF CONDUCT REVIEW......
- THAT COUNCIL RAISE NO COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED CODE OF CONDUCT REVIEW.

**Council Resolution:** 

RESOLVED: (Moved by Cr. Bain Seconded by Cr. Van den Oever)

• THAT COUNCIL RAISE THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED CODE OF CONDUCT REVIEW, THAT THE REQUIREMENT FOR DISCLOSURE TO BE IN WRITING BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE A VERBAL NOTICE DUE TO THE CIRCUMSTANCES AT THE TIME.

**CARRIED 8.0** 

10.1.3 <u>State Records Act - Capture of Elected Member Records</u>

File Ref: M/15/1

**Reporting Officer:** Tom Hartman CEO.

Disclosure of Interest: Nil.

Date of Report: 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2003

**Summary:** Report raises for Council attention the pending legislation relating to recording

of Councillors communications.

**Background:** See attachments.

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**Comment:** This appears to be over the top for Local Government Members, especially when considering that State Members are exempt. However, obviously there is a reason for this to happen and all Councillors must comply.

Consultation: Nil.

**Statutory Environment:** State Records Act.

Policy Implications. Nil.

Financial Implications: Nil.

Strategic Implications: Nil.

Voting Requirements: Simple

Recommendation:

THAT COUNCIL LOBBY LOCAL MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE ASSOCIATIONS CAMPAIGN.

**Council Resolution:** 

RESOLVED: (Moved by Cr. OíDwyer Seconded by Cr. Burrows)

THAT COUNCIL LOBBY LOCAL MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE ASSOCIATIONS CAMPAIGN.

**CARRIED 8.0** 

10.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT SUBMITTED TO

THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD JULY 19th 2003

10.2.1 Accounts to be paid

File Ref: F/6

**Reporting Officer:** Noelene Holmes, Deputy C.E.O.

Disclosure of Interest: Nil.

Date of Report: July 2003.

**Summary:** The following accounts are presented to Council for payment:

Municipal Account Voucher No.s 18166 - 18260 Amount: \$318,071.52

Air BP Account Voucher No.s VARIOUS Amount: \$2,721.50

**Voting Requirements:** Simple majority.

**Recommendation:** 

THAT THE ACCOUNTS AS DETAILED BE PAID.

**Council Resolution:** 

RESOLVED: (Moved By Cr. OiDwyer Seconded by Cr. Hunt)

THAT THE ACCOUNTS AS DETAILED BE PAID.

**CARRIED 8.0** 

10.2.2 Schedule 26

File Ref: F/6

**Reporting Officer:** Noelene Holmes, Deputy C.E.O.

Disclosure of Interest: Nil.

Date of Report: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2003.

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**Summary:** 

Schedule 26 summarising the Shire's cash position will be presented at the

meeting.

**Voting Requirements:** Simple majority

**Recommendation:** 

THAT SCHEDULE 26 BE RECEIVED.

**Council Resolution:** 

RESOLVED: (Moved By Cr. OiDwyer Seconded by Cr. Hunt)

THAT SCHEDULE 26 BE RECEIVED.

**CARRIED 8.0** 

11. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN:

Nil.

12. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF MEETING:

**Council Resolution:** 

RESOLVED: (Moved By Cr. Nichols Seconded by Cr. Burrows)

THAT THE FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNCIL AND DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES BE DECLARED NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE.

**CARRIED 8.0** 

**Council Resolution:** 

RESOLVED: (Moved By Cr. Trenfield Seconded by Cr. Van den Oever)

THAT THE PRESIDENT AND CEO BE AUTHORISED TO SIGN THE FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIAN (DEPT) OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA FOR THE MEEKATHARRA YOUTH SERVICES PROJECT.

**CARRIED 8.0** 

# 13. CLOSURE OF MEETING:

The meeting was declared closed at 11.56 am.