



**MINUTES
OF
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF ELECTORS
HELD ON
WEDNESDAY
5 FEBRUARY 2020 @ 6.00 PM**





ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS AGENDA

1. Recording of Attendance

	Attendance	Apologies	Approved Leave of Absences
Madam President			
Mr. Chris Connaughton			
Mr. Jim Heal			
Mrs. Jenny Mutter			
Mr. Zac Mills			
Mrs. Julia Ennor			February 2020
Mrs. Nadine Eva			
Mrs. Joy Ridley			
Mrs. Heather Lamprey			
Mrs. Lisa Turner			
Chief Executive Officer			
Deputy Chief Executive Officer			
Manager Works			
Minutes Clerk			

2. Apologies

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Annual Electors Meeting held on 6 February 2019

That the Minutes of the Council meeting are confirmed as true and accurate record of proceedings.					
		Date	Moved	Seconded	Vote
3.1	Confirmation of Minutes of Electors Meeting held:	6 February 2019	Chris Connaughton	Jim Heal	Carried

4. Business Arising

5. Annual Report 2018/2019

- 5.1 President's Report
- 5.2 Chief Executive Officer's Report (Includes Statutory reports)
- 5.3 Annual Financial Statement

5.4 Auditor's Report/Management Report

Madam President presented the Annual Report for 2018/2019.

6. General Business

Consistent with Section 5.27 (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*, Electors in attendance at the Annual General Meeting of Electors are invited to raise matters of general business.

Questions from electors and answers by Council:

Joy Ridley on behalf of Neil Hebbiton:-

Q1) The Current rubbish tip has 10-15 years left in it, why is there talk of a new rubbish tip being opened?

A1) Reply:

At present a surveyor is carrying out survey works at the waste site. This survey data will be used to calculate boundary offset and potential excavation and fill locations. The Shire will ensure that the existing landfill site is systematically filled to capacity.

The Shire will restructure staff positions to allocate additional resources to the waste management system.

Q2) The \$500,000 grant from the Federal Government – can some of this money be put towards Love Locks Soak?

A2) Reply:

The Shire has engaged a hydrologist to investigate and report on the development of 'Love Locks Soak'. The potential increased water harvest is a priority and will be guided by the Shire Strategic Community Plan 'water harvesting'.

The benefits of developing the soak are:

1. Increasing irrigation to the sporting ovals
2. Providing an alternate water supply for parks and gardens
3. Greening of the main street
4. Horticultural prospects

Q3) How quotes and scopes are dealt with within the Shire?

A3) Reply:

The Shire manages acquisition in accordance with Shire Purchasing Policy and the Local Government Act 1995.

The timing associated with coordinating multiple components of a project (e.g., footpaths) can be improved.

The Shire's Regional Price Preference Policy is planned for review by December 2020.

Questions from Joy Ridley:-

Q1) The Shire needs a Corella Management Plan – what is being done to manage the corellas and the damage they cause?

Joy Ridley said this was brought up 18 years ago at an Electoral Meeting and still nothing has been done to date.

A1) Reply:

Unfortunately this is a state wide problem, the shooting of the corellas does help control the problem and maybe we should start shooting when the scouts start coming to town around the month of July from the west side. We will contact Geraldton and find out what they're doing about their Corella problem.

Q2) What will be done about the flock of feral pigeons that have recently arrived in town? There is a flock at the swimming pool and also at Brett Young's workshop.

A2) Reply:

Not many were aware that there are feral pigeons in town. Some towns use bait for this and we will have to look further into the problem.

Q3) E-Waste Collections in Three Springs – Recycling of Cardboard etc.? Can this be Federal Government Funded?

A3) Reply:

E-Waste Management costs too much. We received the Cardboard crusher and unfortunately once you crush the cardboard there is not much you can do with it. It was once freighted to Perth but you get nothing in return.

Q4) The Cemetery needs Love – Can the Shire do a bit more to look after it? The Lions Club used to clean up but they are no longer able to do this. Some plants and bushes would add colour to it.

A4) Reply:

We are understaffed at present and can only send staff out 2 hours per week. We are advertising for 2 new staff members and one will solely deal with the maintenance and upkeep of the parks etc. and the cemetery.

Q5) Derelict Houses in town – they would not entice new people?

A5) Reply:

We agreed with this statement and this matter is currently being dealt with as part of the strategic land and housing project.

Questions from Heather Lamprey:-

Q1) Flooding in town – around post office and IGA and School – what are Shire going to do about this? There is a large roof on the new Child Care Centre and only a small water tank.

A1) Reply:

Unfortunately this is a big problem. The cost estimate to construct a piped drainage systems is \$6.8m. We will be directing substantial maintenance resources toward improving the existing drainage system which should assist with the water flow.

Q2) Can a fence be put around the tip?

A2) Reply:

Unfortunately it would cost too much to erect a fence around the tip and our tip site budget is limited. Once we have filled vacant positions we will allocate more to manage the tip site.

Q3) What is happening with the big slasher that is used to cut the oval - the gardeners are using the old sit on lawnmower?

A3) Reply:

The tractor is currently being used on Eneabba Road and will be back in town next week.

Questions from Lisa Turner

Q1) Main Street – needs more colour, more colourful trees and plants along the street and across from the bank where it is bare, towns like Moora can do this so why can't Three Springs?. The School Banners to be put on main street to add more colour?

Q2) Exercise Equipment for the public in parks

A1) Reply:

We are investigating the existing Townscape plan with the intent to recommence upgrade works, with funding from the \$500k.

Q3) The Community Hall kitchen to be made more user friendly?

A3) Reply:

We acknowledge that the kitchen requires upgrading.

Q4). Business Directory.

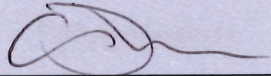
A4) Reply:

We will be managing a business forum in March and developing a business directory.

7. Closure

There being no further business Madam President closed the meeting at 7.05pm

I confirm these Minutes to be a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this Council.

Signed:  _____

Presiding Officer

Date: