



MINUTES FOR THE
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON
WEDNESDAY
17TH AUGUST 2011



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SHIRE OF MINGENEW
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
MINGENEW, ON WEDNESDAY THE 17TH AUGUST 2011

1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member, Cr Michelle Bagley, declared the meeting open at 2:02pm. Cr MA Bagley thanked Cr ET Hathaway for running the last meeting and commended her on her efforts.

2.0 ATTENDANCE

2.1 PRESENT

MA Bagley	President	Rural Ward
ET Hathaway	Deputy President	Town Ward
BP Horwood	Councillor	Rural Ward
JL Holmes	Councillor	Town Ward
PJ Ward	Councillor	Rural Ward
MP Pearce	Councillor	Town Ward
PJ Gledhill	Councillor	Town Ward

STAFF

IB Fitzgerald	Chief Executive Officer	
E Greaves	Community Development Officer	
TB Brandy	Environmental Health Officer	2:12pm-3:13pm
WL Borrett	Works Manager	3:50pm-4:13pm

2.2 APOLOGIES

Nil

2.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3.0 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

4.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME / PETITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / SUBMISSIONS

2:05pm Karara Mining Ltd representatives – Mark Gell, Greg Payne & Rhys Houlihan and Rick & Linley Starick joined the meeting.

Mr Greg Payne began by thanking Council for the opportunity to speak on behalf of Karara Mining Ltd and Mark Gell thanked them for their support of the current trucking arrangement.

Mark explained that the reason for their proposal to have a stockpile of ore to be loaded and transported by rail is due to the delays in completing the rail upgrade between Morawa and Mullewa, and the need to maintain the trucking of ore to a minimum. The railway to Karara is expected to be operating in January / February 2012 but upgrade to Morawa Mullewa line will take longer and has only just begun – 50km of rail needs to be removed and replaced. There will be no increase on the amount of trucks other than that already proposed for the period as loads currently being carted to Geraldton will be off loaded at the stockpile site. The Geraldton trucking arrangement finishes in October to coincide with harvest and holiday periods.

It is expected that 30 loads per day will be deposited (60 round trips from mine to Mingenew and back) which equates to about 1,500 tonnes per day. They will only load in daylight hours and will restrict operation on weekends, public holidays and other special event days.

Noise bunding options are being explored for the south side of the rail line and dust suppression measures will be in place which will include wetting the product. Successful dust suppression at Tilly siding has been maintained. An environmental team will visit the stockpile site at least once a week to monitor impacts and address issues. A mobile weather station will also be installed prior to the start date which can be set to set off an alarm should conditions become near unsatisfactory levels which would immediately shut down operation.

Karara Mining Ltd have indicated they would like to work closely with the Shire and community to contract any works locally.

A local Traffic Management Plan will be developed with input from the Shire. A Product Analysis was provided to Council for their perusal and Rhys indicated that further information will available at a later date.

Mark Gell indicated that compensation of 10c per tonne would be offered for road maintenance plus another 10c per tonne stockpiled at the siding.

2:12pm Mr Trevor Brandy joined the meeting.

Cr ET Hathaway enquired as to the amount of wagons that would make up the train and anticipated loading times? About 60 wagons will make up the train with an expected loading time of 2 – 4 hours however this is an early estimate and further investigation is required. Cr ET Hathaway also advised that heat conditions and road blockages should be considered.

Cr BP Horwood raised concerns with the road blockages and whether CBH had been consulted with on this project due to possible conflicting timing schedules and possible contamination issues. Council advised that these issues should be addressed and considered in presenting their final submission.

Cr JL Holmes enquired as to the power needs for the site? Mark advised that they may or may not require an office or toilet but unsure at this stage. Cr JL Holmes also enquired about the amount of water needed? An estimate of 3 water trucks per day (12,000L trucks) was indicated. Cr JL Holmes enquired as to how many vehicles would be at the site for operation? Two loaders (and operators) with 2 vehicles on a regular basis would be on site, with up to 5 visiting vehicles on any given day.

Cr BP Horwood advised that weather indications show that Starick's would be most affected by dust and noise.

Cr PJ Ward advised that he had spoken to a number of residents and business owners in the area and all have indicated they don't have any objections assuming all noise and dust concerns are addressed.

Cr MA Bagley thanked Karara for their attendance.

2:40pm Karara Mining ltd representatives exited the meeting.

Rick & Linley Starick thanked Council for the opportunity to listen in on the discussions and advised that their queries were addressed.

2:41pm Rick & Linley Starick exited the meeting.

5.0 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

6.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr BP Horwood declared a proximity interest in Item 9.1.1.

7.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

110801

MOVED: Cr PJ Ward

SECONDED: Cr ET Hathaway

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 20th July 2011, be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

8.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

9.0 OFFICERS REPORTS

Mr Trevor Brandy provided a verbal EHO Report and apologised for not having prepared anything written.

One building licence has been received – for a kitchen at the Caravan Park.

Mr Brandy is also working to address properties that are in an untidy state.

9.1 HEALTH, BUILDING AND TOWN

9.1.1 DAVID HORWOOD FAMILY TRUST SIGN APPLICATION

Agenda Reference:	EHO 08/11 - 01
Location/Address:	Vic Location 1774
Name of Applicant:	David Horwood Family Trust
File Reference:	
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	08.08.2011
Author:	Trevor Brandy, EHO

SUMMARY

Council is in receipt of a Planning Application for an existing sign on Victoria Location 1774. The sign is a 2000 L fibre glass water tank placed on the rear of a farm ute. The application is for a period of 8 months.

ATTACHMENT

Nil

BACKGROUND

With Karara Mining Ltd proposing to remove 5.3 gigalitres from the Parmelia water basin a number of local farmers are voicing their opinion on whether the amount to be removed is sustainable. The Department of Water is in the process of considering Karara's application. Mr P Horwood, on behalf of the David Horwood Family Trust, has indicated the sign will be removed once the allocations have been distributed.

COMMENT

Although the proponent has a right to voice their concerns over a particular issue, the announcement or advertisement must comply with the requirements of the Town Planning Scheme in that the sign must be of a professional nature.

The David Horwood Family Trust application indicates Mr P Horwood may be in the process of having a sign professionally made to suit the requirements of the Scheme.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council has no formal policy on signs

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Should be assessed on a case by case basis

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute Majority

110802 COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.1.1

MOVED: Cr JL Holmes

SECONDED: Cr PJ Gledhill

That Council note the Declaration of Interest from Cr BP Horwood for Item 9.1.1 and allow her to remain in the room.

CARRIED

Voting 6/0

110803 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION & COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.1.1

MOVED: Cr PJ Ward

SECONDED: Cr MP Pearce

- 1 That the David Horwood Family Trust be advised that Council is not in the position to approve the sign due to it not being up to the standard acceptable under the Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3 and the signs be removed forthwith.**
- 2 That the David Horwood Family Trust also be advised that if the sign is more of a professional nature Council would consider a new application.**

CARRIED

Voting 5/1

9.1.2 ERREGULLA FARM SIGN APPLICATION

Agenda Reference: EHO 08/11 - 02
Location/Address: Victoria Location 1195
Name of Applicant: Mr Ben Cobley
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 08.08.2011
Author: Trevor Brandy, EHO

SUMMARY

Council is in receipt of another application, this one from Mr B Cobley for 9 signs that have been erected on managed property. As with Mr Horwood's application the signs are in protest to the amount of water applied for by Karara Mining Ltd.

ATTACHMENT

Nil

BACKGROUND

With Karara Mining Ltd proposing to remove 5.3 Gigalitres from the Parmelia water basin a number of local farmers are voicing their opinion on whether the amount to be removed is sustainable. The Department of Water is in the process of considering Karara's application. Mr Cobley has indicated the sign will be removed once the allocations have been distributed.

COMMENT

Although the proponent has a right to voice their concerns over a particular issue, the announcement or advertisement must comply with the requirements of the Town Planning Scheme in that the sign must be of a professional nature. Mr Cobley has indicated in his application that the sign will there for a period of 3 months

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council has no formal Policy on this type of sign application.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Should be assessed on a case by case basis

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION 9.1.2

- 1 That Mr B Cobley be advised that the sign does not comply with the Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3 and will require removal.
- 2 That Mr B Cobley also be advised that under the Town Planning Scheme provisions for only one sign of a professional nature be permitted on his property.

110804 COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.1.1

MOVED: Cr BP Horwood

SECONDED: Cr PJ Gledhill

- 1 That Mr B Cobley be advised that Council is not in the position to approve the sign due to it not being up to the standard acceptable under the Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3 and the signs be removed forthwith.
- 2 That Mr B Cobley also be advised that if the sign is more of a professional nature Council would consider a new application.

CARRIED
Voting 6/1

Cr BP Horwood requested to have her name noted as recorded against this Item.

9.1.3 EXISTING SIGN APPLICATION MR PETER MILLS

Agenda Reference: EHO 08/11 - 03
Location/Address: Location 10067 Midlands Road, Mingenew
Name of Applicant: Mr Peter Mills
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 08.08.2011
Author: Trevor Brandy, EHO

SUMMARY

Council is in receipt of a Planning application for an existing free standing sign on the location 10067 Midlands Road, Mingenew.

ATTACHMENT

Nil

BACKGROUND

With Karara Mining Ltd proposing to remove 5.3 Gigalitres from the Parmelia water basin a number of local farmers are voicing their opinion on whether the amount to be removed is sustainable. The Department of Water is in the process of considering Karara's application. Mr Mills has indicated the sign will be removed once the allocations have been distributed.

COMMENT

Although the proponent has a right to voice their concerns over a particular issue, the announcement or advertisement must comply with the requirements of the Town Planning Scheme in that the sign must be of a professional nature. Mr Mills has indicated in his application that the sign will there for a period of 6 months.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council has no formal policy on signs.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Should be assessed on a case by case basis.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION 9.1.3

- 1 That Mr P Mills be advised that the signs do not comply with the Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3 and will require removal.**
- 2 That Mr P Mills also be advised that under the Town Planning Scheme provisions for only one sign of a professional nature be permitted on his property.**

110805 COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.1.1

MOVED: Cr ET Hathaway

SECONDED: Cr MP Pearce

- 1 That Mr P Mills be advised that Council is not in the position to approve the sign due to it not being up to the standard acceptable under the Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme no3 and the signs be removed forthwith.**
- 2 That Mr P Mills also be advised that if the sign is more of a professional nature Council would consider a new application.**

CARRIED

Voting 6/1

Cr BP Horwood requested to have her name noted as voting against this Item.

9.1.4 CBH STORAGE FACILITY – PLANNING APPLICATION

Agenda Reference: CEO 08/11 - 02
Location/Address: CBH Mingenew – Boolinda Road
Name of Applicant: Co-operative Bulk Handling Limited
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 11th August 2011
Author: Ian Fitzgerald, Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Council is in receipt of a Planning Application for an increase in grain storage and associated equipment at the CBH installation in Mingenew. The application is to install two new low steel frame open storage facilities, each with a 31,000 tonne capacity, and associated infrastructure.

ATTACHMENT

A copy of the proposed site plan is attached.

BACKGROUND

Nil

COMMENT

CBH have lodged an Application for Planning Approval to install additional grain storage and associated infrastructure. The proposal is to construct two open bulkheads, receival hopper and auger, ground conveyor, pavement and drainage.

A building licence application and stormwater design will be submitted once completed.

The appropriate planning fee has been paid.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme No3

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The planning fee of \$6,021 has been paid and a building licence fee will be payable when the required documentation is submitted.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Agriculture is the mainstay of the local economy and with Mingenew being recognised as a major grain receival point by CBH they therefore require the appropriate storage and handling facilities to be available.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION 9.1.4

That Council grant planning approval to Co-operative Bulk Handling for two new open bulkheads and associated infrastructure at their Mingenew grain receival site.

110806 COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.1.4

MOVED: Cr JL Holmes

SECONDED: Cr PJ Gledhill

- 1 That Council grant planning approval to Co-operative Bulk Handling for two new open bulkheads and associated infrastructure at their Mingenew grain receival site.**
- 2 Council request Co-operative Bulk Handling to provide details on how noise and dust management will be addressed as part of their building licence application.**

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

3:13pm Mr Trevor Brandy exited the meeting.

9.3.1 2011 / 2012 ANNUAL BUDGET

Agenda Reference: CEO 08/11 - 01
Location/Address: Shire of Mingenew
Name of Applicant: Shire of Mingenew
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 10th August 2011
Author: Ian Fitzgerald

SUMMARY

Council is requested to adopt the 2011 / 2012 Annual Budget as presented.

ATTACHMENT

The 2011 / 2012 Budget in Statutory format, together with supporting notes, has been forwarded as a separate document with the Agenda.

BACKGROUND

Council discussed the draft budget at the Council Meeting on Wednesday 20 July, 2011 and agreed, in principle, on the budget and the increased rate revenue to be collected in 2011 / 2012 with any amendments/ corrections discussed at that meeting being included.

COMMENT

The budget has been amended to incorporate all the changes discussed by Council at the 20 July meeting with a few minor changes/ corrections to ensure the budget balances. This has included adjustments to the building programme with the removal of the fence at the Silver Chain residence and rate income adjustments caused by the removal of a number of active mining tenements. The increase in rate revenue as compared to the previous financial year has been held to 6.7% (less than provided for in the draft budget discussed by Council).

The Ranger Services budget amount has been reduced, as requested by Council.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

Local Government (Finance) Regulations 1996

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The 2011 / 2012 budget includes an increase in rate revenue of 6.70%. Council needs to adopt the annual budget to allow the rate notices to be issued and therefore provide a revenue stream to allow Council to operate.

CONSULTATION

Council, Senior Staff and the Finance Consultant

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The provision of services for 2011 / 2012 requires the adoption of the annual budget.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute Majority

110807 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION & COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.3.1

MOVED: Cr PJ Ward
SECONDED: Cr MP Pearce

That Council;

- 1. Adopt the 2011 / 2012 Annual Budget as presented, including the Schedule of Fees and Charges.**
- 2. Adopt the following rates levied on rateable properties in the Shire of Mingenew**

Gross Rental Valuations	9.7485 cents in the dollar
Unimproved Valuations	1.0634 cents in the dollar
Gross Rental Valuations	Minimum \$330.00
Unimproved Valuations	Minimum \$450.00

- 3. Interest and Administration Charges**
Interest Rate of 5.5%pa and an Administration Fee of \$15 is to be imposed on instalments; to apply to 2nd, 3rd, and 4th instalments. Penalty interest of 11%pa is to be imposed on all overdue rates.
- 4. Annual Refuse charges to be set at \$195.00 for the weekly removal of one 240L mobile garage bin and to be paid in full by 30 September, 2011.**
- 5. Due date for payment of Rates and Services levied for 201 / 2012 be:**

Date of issue to be 26 August, 2011

OPTION 1 – payment in full by a single instalment	30 September, 2010
OPTION 2 – payment by 2 installments	30 September, 2010
	2 December, 2011
OPTION 3 – payment by 4 installments	30 September, 2011
	2 December, 2011
	3 February, 2012
	27 April, 2012

- 6. That, for the purpose of monthly financial reporting, a percentage of 10% or \$5,000, whichever is greater, be adopted by Council for highlighting material variances in the 2011 / 2012 financial year.**

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY CARRIED
Voting 7/0

9.3.2 LOT 218 RAILWAY STREET YANDANOOKA

Agenda Reference: CEO 08/11 - 03
Location/Address: Lot 218 Railway Street Yandanooka
Name of Applicant: Country Women's Association of WA (Inc)
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 11th August 2011
Author: Ian Fitzgerald

SUMMARY

Advice has been received from the Country Women's Association of WA (Inc) that the Yandanooka branch will be disbanding at the end of 2011.

Lot 218 Railway Street Yandanooka is owned by the CWA and it is currently used as a playground and it is proposed the land be gifted to the Shire of Mingenew for continued use as a playground.

ATTACHMENT

A map of the Yandanooka townsite with the lot in question highlighted is attached together with photographs of the site.

BACKGROUND

The land was gifted to the CWA in 1955 by Mr William Campbell to be used as a playground area.

COMMENT

The Yandanooka Branch of the CWA has decided to disband at the end of 2011 due to the lack of members. As a part of their winding up process they have requested Lot 218 be transferred to the Shire of Mingenew and the CWA State Management Committee has agreed to the request.

The proposal is for the land to be gifted to Council so no purchase cost will be incurred.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There will be minimal financial implications. The Lot is currently exempt from rates so there will be no lost income but Council will become liable for the ESL Levy which is currently \$55 per year.

CONSULTATION

Country Women's Association of WA (Inc)

Shire President

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

110808 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION & COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.3.2

MOVED: Cr MP Pearce

SECONDED: Cr ET Hathaway

That Council advise the Country Women's Association of WA it is willing to accept the gifting of Lot 218 Railway Street Yandanooka to the Shire of Mingenew.

CARRIED

Voting 7/0

3:25pm The meeting was adjourned for afternoon tea.

3:50pm The meeting resumed with Mr Warren Borrett in attendance.

Mr Borrett provided a verbal report to Council – written report not provided due to illness at the time of Agenda preparation.

Council enquired as to options available to resolve issue of poor road conditions at Coalseam. Warren advised that the only solution is to bitumenize the road. Recommendation to staff to write a letter to the Department of Environment and Conservation requesting funding assistance and to inform them of the severe conditions recently experienced which may cause the road to be more permanently closed during heavy rainfall in the future.

Cr JL Holmes advised that there may be a need for toilet facilities to be installed close to the Morawa / Mullewa Road intersection due to a recent incident of inappropriate waste disposal. Cr ET Hathaway suggested the installation of an eco-toilet at the intersection to accommodate the truck drivers through the area. CR MA Bagley suggested that BP could be approached to install one their site near Midlands Rd or the mining companies involved in hauling loads through the area could be considered.

110809 COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.3.2

MOVED: Cr MP Pearce

SECONDED: Cr ET Hathaway

Shire staff to investigate the installation of an eco-toilet at the truck bay at the Morawa / Mullewa Rd intersection and to write to the local mining companies requesting funding for the project.

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

Cr MP Pearce advised that there is a lack of signage as to location of War Memorial at Recreation Centre entrance and enquired as to whether appropriate signage could be installed on Phillip St. Mr Borrett to follow up.

Cr PJ Ward queried Mr Borrett about whether the roads would support the project proposed by Karara to stockpile ore and whether we could be considered to cart water for the project should it be offered. Mr Borrett indicated the roads could support the project with conditions and water cartage for the project could be undertaken by the Shire.

Mr Borrett also advised Council, by accident, he has arranged his holidays at a time that overlaps with those of the CEO (for a total of 4 days overlap). Councillors to note that from the 26th – 30th September both the Chief Executive Officer and Works Manager will be absent but can be contacted via mobile.

Mr Borrett advised that he has been offered private works from CBH to remove 6,000 – 7,000m of dirt at an estimated price of \$40,000. Council agreed this would be a good project to undertake. Mr Borrett intends to use the dirt to redevelop the tip site.

4:13pm Mr Borrett exited the meeting.

9.3.3 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING APPROVAL – KARARA MINING LTD

Agenda Reference: CEO 08/11 - 04
Location/Address: Lot 303 Eleanor Street Mingenew
Name of Applicant: Karara Mining Limited
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 12th August 2011
Author: Ian Fitzgerald

SUMMARY

Karara Mining Limited has submitted an Application for Planning Approval to establish a temporary iron ore stockpile and operations area adjacent to the railway line in Mingenew townsite.

ATTACHMENT

Due to the complex nature of the project a full copy of the submission has been provided to each Councillor with the Agenda.

BACKGROUND

Karara Mining Limited has had discussions previously on the carting of iron ore by road to Geraldton which has included passing through the Mingenew Shire and townsite.

At the July Council meeting Council very briefly discussed a proposal for iron ore to be carted into Mingenew and loaded onto trains.

COMMENT

A detailed proposal, including an Application for Planning Approval has been received.

The proposal outlines road train protocols, traffic and environmental management including noise and dust suppression.

This application is for the period September 2011 to April 2012 and allows for the stockpile to be removed by April 2012 (cartage to finish in March) by which time the Morawa – Geraldton rail line upgrade should be complete.

The proposal does not include any additional truck movements over that previously discussed with Council and provides for 30 vehicle movements into the Mingenew siding.

Karara Mining Limited has informally advised Main Roads WA and the Department of Transport of this proposal and, whilst not officially submitted, no adverse comments have been received to-date. This may change once a formal process is entered into.

The proposal is for 2 stockpiles of approximately 30,000 tonnes and will be 160 metres long, 65 metres wide and a maximum of 3 metres high. There will be a small operational area for ablutions, storage, light vehicle parking and vehicle refuelling etc.

There is no compensation outlined in the proposal but representatives from Karara Mining Limited will attend the meeting to make a short presentation, answering any questions Councillors may have and to discuss compensation options.

If the proposal does proceed Council may be able to provide water carting / dust suppression on a private works basis.

Staff have not had sufficient time to review the proposal as yet but preliminary investigations suggest the proposal is permitted within the Town Planning Scheme. More detailed analysis of the proposal will be conducted prior to the Council meeting.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

Shire of Mingenew Town Planning Scheme

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is the potential for Council and / or the community to receive some form of compensation for use of our land.

CONSULTATION

Council

Karara Mining Limited

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The proposal would see less truck movements on the Depot Hill Road controlled by the Shire of Mingenew as well as less on state controlled roads.

Support of the proposal would further enhance the relationship between the Mingenew Shire and Karara Mining Limited.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION 9.3.3

That Council:

Considers the Application for Planning Approval from Karara Mining limited and subject to;

- i) More detailed investigation by staff supporting the proposal,**
- ii) Issues raised by Council being adequately addressed,**
- iii) Suitable compensation arrangements being negotiated,**

grant Planning Approval for the iron ore stockpile and out-loading proposal for Lot 303 Eleanor Street Mingenew

110810 COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.3.3

MOVED: Cr PJ Gledhill

SECONDED: Cr PJ Ward

That Council:

Considers the Application for Planning Approval from Karara Mining limited and subject to;

- i) More detailed investigation by staff supporting the proposal,**
- ii) Issues raised by Council being adequately addressed,**
- iii) The proposal being advertised for public comment for a 14 day period,**

grant Planning Approval for the iron ore stockpile and out-loading proposal for Lot 303 Eleanor Street Mingenew

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

9.6 FINANCE

9.6.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31 JULY, 2011

Agenda Reference: SFO 08/11 - 01
Location/Address: Shire of Mingenew
Name of Applicant: Shire of Mingenew
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 8 August, 2011
Author: Kylie McGree, Senior Finance Officer

SUMMARY

The Monthly Statement of Financial Activity report for the month ending 31 July, 2011 is presented to Council for adoption.

ATTACHMENT

Finance Report ending 31 July, 2011

BACKGROUND

Financial Regulations require a monthly statement of financial activity report to be presented to Council.

COMMENT

Council's current operating surplus as at the 31 July, 2011 is \$437,125.00

SUMMARY OF FUNDS – SHIRE OF MINGENEW	
Municipal Account	\$120,682.39
Business Cash Maximiser (Municipal Funds)	\$235,160.99
Trust Account	\$85,314.10
Reserve Maximiser Account	\$525,593.75

Debtor's accounts continue to be monitored with all efforts being made to ensure that monies are recovered. \$81,210.76 remains outstanding as at 31 July, 2011 with approximately \$10,000.00 outstanding for 90 days or more. The two major outstanding debtors being; Mingenew Community Resource Centre and Mid West Regional Council. A

payment was supposed to have been received for the Mingenew Community Resource Centre after Ian Fitzgerald had followed up. Ian will again address this issue with them.

The total outstanding rates debt is \$16,528.32 as at 31 July, 2011. Julie Borrett will be following up on all outstanding rates.

It should be noted that Rates Outstanding as at end of July, 2010 was \$9,329.83.

The Statement of Financial Activities Report does not contain explanations of Councils variances for the 2011 / 2012 financial year as the budget has not yet been adopted.

CONSULTATION

No consultation required

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995 Section 6.4

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Section 34

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial implications are outlined in comments.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

110811 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION & COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.6.1

MOVED: Cr BP Horwood

SECONDED: Cr MP Pearce

That Council adopts the Monthly Statement of Financial Activity for the month ending the 31 July, 2011.

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

9.6.2 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – JULY 2011

Agenda Reference: AO 08/11 - 01
Location/Address: Shire of Mingenew
Name of Applicant: Shire of Mingenew
File Reference:
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 11th August 2011
Author: Julie Borrett

SUMMARY

Council to confirm the payment of creditors for the month of July in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 section 13(1).

ATTACHMENT

Copy of list of accounts due (EFT & cheque payments), which will enable Council to confirm the payment of its creditors in accordance with Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Section 13 (1).

BACKGROUND

Financial Regulations require a schedule of payments made through the Council bank accounts to be presented to Council for their inspection. The list includes details for each account paid incorporating the payee's name, amount of payment, date of payment and sufficient information to identify the transaction.

COMMENT

Invoices supporting all payments are available for inspection. All invoices and vouchers presented to Council have been certified as to the receipt of goods and the rendition of services and as to prices, computations and costings, and that the amounts shown were due for payment.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995, Section 6.4

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Sections 12, 13 and 14

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Payments have been made under delegation

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds available to meet expenditure

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

110812 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION & COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.6.2

MOVED: Cr PJ Gledhill

SECONDED: Cr ET Hathaway

That Council confirm the accounts as presented for July 2011 from the Municipal Fund totalling \$203778.47 represented by Electronic Funds Transfers of EFT5248 to EFT5307 and Cheque Nos 7399 – 7408.

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

10.0 ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

11.0 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF MEETING

Nil

12.0 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

110813 COUNCIL RESOLUTION 12.1.1

MOVED: Cr ET Hathaway

SECONDED: Cr PJ Gledhill

That Council accept the late agenda Item 12.1.1 as presented for discussion.

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

13.0 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Council discussed the Information Bulletin and raised any queries to the CEO for clarification.

Meetings Attended

- **Cr MA Bagley**

Northern Country Zone Meeting

02/08/11 – 07/08/11 Local Government Week Conference

07/08/11 WALGA AGM

09/08/11 Mid West Regional Council Meeting at Three Springs

- **Cr ET Hathaway**

27/07/11 Community Small Business Meeting

03/08/11 Mrs Marguerite Newton's Funeral

09/08/11 Mid West Regional Council Meeting at Three Springs

- **Cr JL Holmes**

12/07/11 Community Resource Centre Meeting

27/07/11 Community Small Business Meeting

04/08/11 – 07/08/11 Local Government Week Conference

07/08/11 WALGA AGM

Cr JL Holmes advised that the next CRC meeting will be held next Monday the 22nd August. Payment owing to Council to be followed up.

- **Cr PJ Gledhill**

21/07/11 DAPS Course

27/07/11 Community Small Business Meeting

- **Cr MP Pearce**

27/07/11 Community Small Business Meeting

Cr MP Pearce enquired as to next step for small businesses. Advised that the CRC have become members and they could run / instigate future meetings. Key speaker to be investigated to attend next meeting to draw interest – Invite Hyden representative, Peter Kenyon or Sue Middleton.

- **Cr PJ Ward**

27/07/11 Community Small Business Meeting

02/08/11 Bushfire Advisory Meeting

15/08/11 Mingenew Expo Committee meeting

The Expo Committee are awaiting an invoice for sponsorship from the CRC.

- **Cr BP Horwood**

08/08/11

Tourist & Promotions Meeting

11/08/11

Silver Chain AGM as proxy for Cr MP Pearce

General Business

The Chief Executive Officer advised Council that the Mingenew National Bank has changed it's opening hours. Will now open all day Tuesday and Thursday (with breaks for lunch). Three Springs will now only open 3 days a week – Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Cr MA Bagley advised that she had been invited to attend a Reference Group meeting in Morawa by the Shire. Council advised her to accept the offer to attend.

Cr ET Hathaway enquired as to whether the Shire could have an exhibit at Expo this year, following discussions at last month's Council Meeting. Council advised this would be a good idea and the Community Development Officer is to make arrangements.

Cr ET Hathaway advised that the Rubbish tip is full of water due to recent rains and new design / structure. Mr Borrett to address.

Cr JL Holmes enquired as to whether the query from the Mingenew Rodeo regarding land availability had been addressed. The Chief Executive Officer advised that he will provide a contact list for appropriate land owners who may have land available and other options, that has not already been provided.

Cr MP Pearce enquired as to whether all Shire owned properties were inspected for termites. The Chief Executive Officer advised that yes all properties are inspected annually.

Cr PJ Ward advised that he had spoken with James Yewers from Irwin Valley Milling in regards to the progress of their business. Business is going well and looking to export internationally. Cr JL Holmes suggested that they join the MWCCI.

Cr PJ Ward advised Council that Mills Mechanical is still open for business.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that there has only been one applicant for the Senior Finance / Admin Officer position and the applicant is not sufficiently qualified. Council advised that now that a house has been purchased the position could be re-advertised which includes the house and increased salary.

14.0 TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

That the next Ordinary Council Meeting be held on Wednesday, the 21st September 2011 at 2:00pm.

CARRIED
Voting 7/0

15.0 CLOSURE

The Shire President thanked all for attending and declared the meeting closed at 6:36pm.

These minutes were confirmed at a meeting on 21st September 2011.

Signed: _____

Presiding Officer

Date: 21st September 2011.