

WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL

**Draft Minutes of Meeting**

**SPECIAL MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
LOT 64 WAGAIT TOWER ROAD**

**30 July 2015**

**PRESENT:** Vice-President Brad Irvine  
Cr Lisa-Marie Stones  
Cr V.J. Thorpe  
Cr Alex Richmond  
Cr Kurt Noble  
Cr Shenagh Gamble  
CEO – Deborah Allen

**VISITORS:** Pam Wanrooy  
Michael Vaughan  
Anna Greer (Wagaitear)  
Dave Evans  
Ian Hinchliff  
Donetta Harry  
Denise Arratta  
Jenny Hilyard  
Dave Elliott  
Phil Adams  
Graham Drake  
Jill Mumme

**1.0 MEETING OPENING**

1.1 Vice-President Brad Irvine declared the meeting open at 7.00pm at the Council Conference Room and welcomed all Councillors, and visitors to the meeting.

**2.0 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - Nil**

### 3.0 AGENDA ITEM No. 1 – Draft Shire Plan and Budget 2015-16

3.1 Vice-President Brad Irvine would like to thank CEO Deborah Allen for meeting the deadline for tonight's meeting in a very short time.

**1. That Council receive public submissions and that the 2015-2016 Shire Plan and 2015-2016 Budget be dealt with separate resolutions.**

Moved: Cr Shenagh Gamble  
Seconded: Cr VJ Thorpe  
Vote: AIF

3.2 Vice-President Brad Irvine would like to clarify to all visitors that the published documentation presented 21 days ago included the 2015-2016 Budget and the 2015-2016 Shire Plan, the resolution has been proposed so the 2 documents can be discussed and voted on separately, the resolution has been proposed so the 2 documents can be discussed and voted on separately.

**2. That Council review the submissions and approve any changes to the 2015-2016 Shire Plan only and therefore Council adopts the Shire Plan 2015-2016**

Moved: Cr Shenagh Gamble  
Seconded: Cr Cr VJ Thorpe  
Vote: AIF

**3. That Council adopts the Annual Budget 2015-2016 noting a rate increase of \$10.30 to \$525.30 per rateable property in line with a CPI increase of .2% for the previous financial year; and that \$5,000.00 be allocated to the establishment of a By-Law for Animal Management Control.**

Moved: Cr VJ Thorpe  
Seconded: Cr Lisa-Marie Stones  
Vote: 5 For, 1 Against

At 7.09pm Cr Kurt Noble attends the special meeting and apologies for being late.

3.3 CEO Deborah Allen explained that the \$5,000.00 will be allocated from the budget which has been set at \$525.30 per rateable property and is not an additional fee. This increase is in line with CPI.

3.4 Cr Lisa-Marie Stones explained to visitors that the \$5,000 will be the fee for Council to pay LGANT to establish a legal Animal By-Laws. Once the By-Laws have been established Council can move forward in the planning for Animal Management and community consultation. Vice-President Brad Irvine explained to visitors that Council has received a lot of feedback regarding Animal Management from the community and that Council has now taken this subject onboard. Council will need the basis of the legal advice which has been allocated through with negotiations with LGANT which is a \$5,000.00 contribution with other councils who have the same animal issues as us.

**4.0 AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – Elected Members Allowances / 2015-2016 Draft Shire Plan / 2015-2016 Budget**

**4.1 Principal and Deputy Principal Members Allowances**

**4.2** Vice-President Brad Irvine explained to the public that the Agenda currently being shown on the screen for tonight’s meeting was the original format that was published for a 21 days consultation period and significant public feedback had been received. Council received about 24 individual emails from the public along with signed petitions.

**4.3** An amendment has been made to the original drafting of the elected members’ allowances report and that is that Council approves the payment of \$50.00 to each elected member fortnightly in arrears following their attendance either in person or via teleconference at a council meeting. A/President Brad Irvine has explained that Councillors have departed away from the Deputy Principal and the Principal being paid a fixed allowance as stated in the 2015/2016 Draft Shire Plan and moved to a per attendance rate which is \$50.00 irrespective of offers of the council.

**That Council note the elected members’ allowances report.**

**Moved: Cr Shenagh Gamble**

**Seconded: Cr Lisa-Marie Stones**

**Vote: AIF**

**That Council does not approve any elected member an allowance for the 2015/2016 Financial Year.**

**Moved: Cr Shenagh Gamble**

**Seconded: Cr Lisa-Marie Stones**

**Vote: 4 For, 2 Against**

**5.0 RATES DECLARATION 2015/2016**

**That Council note the proposed rates and that council approve the rates and that the rates declaration of \$560.00 be amended to reflect \$525.30 inclusive of CPI.**

**Moved: Cr Shenagh Gamble**

**Seconded: Cr VJ Thorpe**

**Vote: AIF**

Vice-President Brad Irvine closes the meeting at 7.30pm and thanks everyone for attending the special meeting.