

**WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**LOT 62, WAGAIT TOWER ROAD
7PM**

Tuesday 17 April 2018



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1.0 PRESENT

Councillors:

President Peter Clee
Vice-President Trish McIntyre
Cr Michael Vaughan
Cr Neil White

Staff: Chief Executive Officer Mark Sidey
Officer Manager Pamela Wanrooy

Visitors: Solomon Gaturu – Manager, Legislation and Policy, Dept of Housing & Community Development
Dr Ben Scambary - CEO Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority
Peter Russell - Compliance Manager - Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority

1.1 OPENING OF MEETING: - Chaired by President Peter Clee

President Peter Clee declared the meeting open at 7.00pm and welcomes everyone to the meeting.

Vice-President Trish McIntyre has indicated that she will be late for the meeting.

The President advises that the meeting will be audio taped for minute taking purposes as authorised by the Chief Executive Officer.

1.2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Resolution No. 2018/172

That the apology of Cr Shenagh Gamble be accepted and approved.

Moved: Cr Michael Vaughan

Seconded: Cr Neil White

Vote: AIF

2.0 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cr Michael Vaughan asked the question to council whether the Recovery Committee comes under Council's control or if it is a separate entity. With President Peter Clee being a member of the Recovery Committee, Cr Michael Vaughan believes there may be a conflict of interest in participating the vote of a motion regarding the UHF CB Repeater. President Clee assured those present he had no such conflict.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Confirmation minutes of 20 March 2018 Council Meeting

Resolution No. 2018/173

That the minutes of the Monthly Meeting of 20 March 2018, be confirmed by council as a true and correct record.

Moved: Cr Neil White

Seconded: Cr Michael Vaughan

Vote: AIF

3.2 Matters arising from 20 March 2018 Minutes

Nil

4.0 QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK FROM THE PUBLIC

4.1 Nil

5.0 Guest Speakers

5.1 Solomon Gaturu – Manager, Legislation and Policy, Dept of Housing & Community Development

Solomon Gaturu attended the meeting to provide information about the proposed new Cemeteries legislation for the Northern Territory. The proposed legislation seeks to modernise the Act to, among other things, reflect societal views and practices regarding the disposal of human remains. Wagait Shire Council does not have any cemeteries within its Council area, however it was noted that the disposal of human remains is a matter that affects everyone.

At 7.30pm Vice President Trish McIntyre arrived at the council meeting.

5.2 Presentation – Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (AAPA) Dr Ben Scambary – CEO, Peter Russell, Compliance Manager

Dr Ben Scambary, CEO and Peter Russell, Compliance Manager from Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority attended to provide clarification around the various land access issues relating to sacred sites abutting and encroaching into Wagait Shire boundaries, along with more generally, access to the Cox Peninsula. Better resolution maps were passed around the room and members of the public were also encouraged to ask any questions they may have.

In summary, areas shown as exclusion zones are no longer able to be accessed by non-traditional owners. It was also explained that in due course land designated as Aboriginal freehold would become private property. Council clarified that they were able to continue to undertake works such as maintaining firebreaks, grounds maintenance etc in the exclusion zones.

The matter of walking along the beach where exclusion zones were shown was raised. Council was advised that “common sense” would prevail and residents and visitors would not be prevented from walking along the beach in the direct vicinity of Wagait Shire.

6.0 INWARDS AND OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE - March 2018

Resolution No. 2018/174

That council receive and note the correspondence as detailed in the agenda for the month of March 2018.

Moved: Cr Michael Vaughan

Seconded: Vice President Trish McIntyre

Vote: AIF

7.0 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

7.1 President’s Report

Resolution No. 2018/175

That the President’s report for the month of March 2018 be received and accepted.

Moved: President Peter Clee

Seconded: Cr Neil White

Vote: AIF

8.0 OFFICERS REPORTS

The Dog By-Laws have not progressed at this stage because CEO Mark Sidey is currently in consultation with other councils about the policies and procedures. CEO Mark Sidey anticipates that the consultation should be finished next month and the policy and procedure should be ready for the June Council meeting.

The BBQ's at Cloppenburg Park have now been commissioned and are now available for use.

Resolution No. 2018/176

That the Officer's reports for the month of March 2018 be received and accepted.

Moved: Vice-President Trish McIntyre

Seconded: Cr Michael Vaughan

Vote: AIF

9.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Debtors for rates shows as NIL on the Cash Income and Expenditure Report for the month of March. This has been accidentally left out. Pam Wanrooy to include this figure into the report and distribute to councillors.

The 2018/2019 Budget is underway and will be circulated to councillors before it goes to the Audit Committee at its next meeting to be held in June.

Resolution No. 2018/177

That the financials for the month of March 2018 be received and accepted.

Moved: Cr Michael Vaughan

Seconded: Vice President Trish McIntyre

Vote: AIF

10.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES – Action Sheet

Item 9.2 – Council Amalgamation has now been actioned and can be removed from the Action Sheet.

Resolution No. 2018/178

That Council receives and notes the Action Sheet for the month of March 2018

Moved: Cr Neil White

Seconded: Cr Michael Vaughan

Vote: AIF

11.0 AGENDA ITEMS

11.1 Councillor Member Allowance

Noted

11.2 Leave of Absence

Resolution No. 2018/179

That a "Leave of Absence" be granted to Cr Shanagh Gamble from her role as elected member from Monday 16 April to Friday 27 July 2018.

Moved:	Cr Neil White
Seconded:	Vice President Trish McIntyre
Vote:	AIF

11.3 Community Infrastructure Ideas Register

Council is encouraged to submit up to three potential projects by Friday 27th April 2018 for the Australian Local Government Association's (ALGA's) Community Infrastructure Ideas Register. The Community Infrastructure Program would be particularly targeted at the renewal and replacement of ageing community infrastructure.

Request has been forwarded to Councillors and information to be collated.

11.4 UHF Communication Project

Resolution No. 2018/180

That this council accept the ownership and responsibility of the UHF Communications Project being assembled and commissioned for and on behalf of the Wagait Emergency Recovery Committee. That the CEO expedite the transfer of the existing UHF CB Repeater licence to Wagait Shire Council and pay the annual licence fee for 2018.

Moved: Vice President Trish McIntyre

Seconded: Cr Neil White

Vote: In Favour President Peter Clee, Vice President Trish McIntyre, Cr Neil White

Against: Cr Michael Vaughan

12.0 UPCOMING EVENTS

12.1 ANZAC Day – 26 April 2018 – Preparations are underway

12.2 Walk to School – May 2018

13.0 LATE ITEMS AND GENERAL BUSINESS

13.1 Advisory Sign on Charles Point Road – Change in speed limit.

The speed limit from the Advisory Display Board to the Mandorah Jetty Carpark on Charles Point Road will change to 60km/hour, taking effect Friday 20 April 2018.

14.0 IN-CAMERA ITEMS

Nil

15.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Council Meeting is to be held on Tuesday 15 May 2018 in the Council Chambers, 62 Wagait Tower Road, Wagait Beach.

16.0 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.32pm.