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1 Declaration of Opening and Announcement of Visitors

This meeting was declared open at 10.05am

2 Record of Attendance/Apologies and Leave of Absence Previously Approved

Attendance:

Cr Kerrie Johnston (Council President)

Cr John Kyanga (Council Deputy President)

Cr Catherine Carton

Cr Cliff Ellis

Anthony Kirwan (Chief Executive Officer)
Jean Alagappan (Manager, Admin & Finance)

Frank Emhofer (Works Supervisor)

Lai Ratabua (Youth Sports & Recreation)

Public:

David Betteridge Colin Gordon Stephen Greeve

Stephen Greeve (Water Corporation)

Apologies:

Cr Darren Farmer Cr Anne Geary Cr Kenny Farmer

3 Response to Previous Public Questions Taken on Notice

Nil

4 Public Question Time

The following four public questions were handed to the Shire on the 18th May 2006 by Mr David Betteridge. These four questions were summarised and answered by Mr Anthony Kirwan, Shire of Wiluna, CEO.

Summary of **Questions** and *Answers*

1. When will wall of the pool be completed? Completion will be in the next financial year 2006/2007.

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- 2. When will the town be getting public toilets? Public toilets will be built as soon as possible.
- 3. What is the situation with the Shire logo and ordering stationary?

This issue has been fully discussed at a previous council meting.

4. What are the Shire fuel tax rebates?

The Shire does not qualify for diesel tax incentive and complies with all Fringe Benefit Tax requirements.

5 Application for Leave of Absence

Nil

6 Petitions and Deputations

Presentation by Mr Stephen Greeve from the Water Corporation

7 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Held on 20th April 2006 be accepted as a true record of that meeting.

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8 Announcements by Presiding Member without Discussion

Nil

- 9 Reports of Committees and Officers
 - 9.1 Chief Executive Officer Reports

9.1.1 Subject/Applicant: Status Report

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 8th May 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Sewerage System

Planning seems to be happening with the Shire having regular contact with The Water Corporation head office. The plan is to install a temporary pond out of town as soon as possible so that the current ponds can be removed. The permanent facility will

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then be built. This progress is of course subject to budget approval for the funds.

Visit by the Governor General

The Governor General will be in Wiluna on 23 May 2006. He will be opening our swimming pool, having a look at the town and Bondini, attending a reception and visiting the school. The Shire is in the process of making all of the arrangements and will be keeping Councillors informed.

Toilet Block

A design and quotation has been received for a toilet block in town. For a building of similar design and size to the toilets in the pool area the price will be \$100000. We have asked ICC Kalgoorlie for half of that money.

Bicycle/BMX Track

This facility is well on its way to full construction.

The MSP Housing Program

The Shire has requested that DHW hold community discussions about this project in order that everyone understands progress and the requirements of DHW.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

For discussion only

9.1.2 Subject/Applicant: Expansion of the Community Development Section to include home makers assistance

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 8th May 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

Ten new houses will be built in Wiluna over the next twelve months.

It has become very important that the families allocated these homes, as well as those in the established homes, be offered homemaker assistance.

Homemaker assistance includes the following; food preparation, hygiene, home health, use and maintenance of fixtures, budgeting, rental payment, gardening etc.

Background

It has been recognised by various agencies that this type of assistance is required and various attempts have been made in the past. The weakness has been that various courses have been

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run by TAFE, DHW and other agencies as visitors to the town. They then leave and there is no follow up and support for the students.

Comment

The Shire is proposing to take this project on by supplying some funding, housing and administration support and by entering into a partnership with DHW and a church organisation. The idea of involving the church is that it can offer support after hours when many of the homemaker problems arise.

It is also proposed that the partnership include the Department of Housing and Works, being the owners of the houses, who will supply funding for salaries.

Consultation

A number of agencies have been consulted as well as the Church.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The financial implications will be included in the budget discussions and will include salary, other costs, housing and administration support.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That:

- 1. Council support the concept of increasing the Community Development Section to include homemaker support people with as much funding assistance from DHW as possible and Community Support assistance from the Church.
- 2. Council approve the CEO to begin the process of preparation to employ officers early in the next financial year.

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9.1.3 Subject/Applicant: Purchase of Community

Four Wheel Drive Bus

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 9th May 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

The overall aim of this project is to improve the quality of life for the people of Wiluna. The Shire aims to improve the capacity of people to participate in recreation and sporting activities offered by the Shire, the AMS and other agencies. Participation in activities away from Wiluna are often difficult because many roads are unsealed and venues are in isolated bush areas a long way from town. To assist meet these needs the Shire is seeking to purchase a 22 seater, all terrain, 4x4 bus.

Background

The need for improved sport and recreation activities for Wiluna residents was identified by the new Council in 2004. This has arisen out of a general community concern that adults and children were bored with the resultant vandalism and property damage. This has decreased in recent months and the Council has determined that this effort should be increased and maintained.

Comment

The project has targeted adults and youth of all ages in the Wiluna town community, outstations and Bondini Reserve. The aim of the project is to engage the community with more regular activities, recreation outlets and sporting events. The activities proposed are:

- -Sporting trips to Jigalong, Mt Magnet, and Meekatharra etc.
 - -Bush camps with elders and children
 - -Drug and alcohol counselling in the bush.
 - -Art trips.

Consultation

There has been extensive consultation with the AMS, the school, community elders, women's groups, mentors and the outstations.

Statutory Environment

Nil

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Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

A bus of this type has to be especially made.

The cost of this bus will be between \$186,000 and \$200,000 depending on how long it takes to complete the project, extras required and transport to Wiluna.

The Shire is proposing the following funding:

Lotteries \$100,000 Shire of Wiluna \$100,000 **Total \$200,000**

Strategic Implications

Subject to budget approval, this project will occur in the 2006-2007 financial year when tenders will be called and advertised.

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That:

- 1. Council approve the concept and need for the Shire of Wiluna to provide this recreational facility to residents.
- Council approve a Shire of Wiluna application to Lotteries West which has to be completed now, for approval in three months time.
- 3. Council authorise CEO to collect as much information as possible on the proposal for presentation to Council in the next financial year.
- 4. Council approves conditionally the purchase of a community bus with funding up to \$100,000 and agree to own, maintain and operate according to an access and usage policy.

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9.1.4	Subject/Applic	cant: S	Sources of Shire	of W	Viluna l	ncome
	File:					

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 10th May 2006
Disclosure of Interest: Information only

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Summary

In recent months there has been discussion about the Shire of Wiluna's sources of income from ratepayers. This paper is for Council's information.

Actual Receipts in Dollars 2005/2006

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1. Rates	reiceillag	je di Tolai
GRV Mining Town	236,637 37,736	6% 1%
Minimum UV Mining Rural Minimum	4,800 1,027,517 97,061 55,125	27% 2%
Less Discounts SUB TOTAL	<i>54,000</i> 1,404,876	37%
2. <u>Grants Commission</u> Including:		
-Aboriginal population -Distance from Perth -Climate	(343,654) (309,413) (44,481)	9%
Grants Commission Total	1,343,017	36%
3. Grants and Donations Dept Sport and Rec Pool shade-Dotars Pool shade-ICC Newmont Magellan Tafe art course Mid West Dev Comm Trainees SUBTOTAL	490,000 20,000 15,000 40,000 15,000 20,000 10,000 40,000 650,000	17%
Other Income (roads etc) TOTAL	366,020 3,763,913	10%

Notes

1. Grants are applied for, received and acquitted by staff and greatly assist the Shire as they free up funds for other projects.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

For discussion only

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9.2 Manager Finance and Administration Officer Reports

9.2.1 Subject/Applicant: Accounts paid by Authority

File: Finance

Reporting Officer: J Alagappan, Manager Finance & Admin

Date of Report: 10th May 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

In accordance with the Financial Management Regulations a list of accounts paid by the Chief Executive Officer is presented to Council.

Background

The list of accounts for the period ended 30th April 2006. (See Appendix A – Blue Pages)

Comment

Nil

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Financial Management Regulations 1996 – Regulations 34-35.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That the accounts paid by authority for the period ended 30th April 2006 totalling \$238,782.84 be received, noted and incorporated in the Minutes of the meeting.

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9.2.2 Subject/Applicant: Financial Report

File: Finance

Reporting Officer: J Alagappan, Manager Finance & Admin

Date of Report: 10th May 2006

Disclosure of Interest Nil

Summary

Regulation 34 of the Local Government Act (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 requires each Local Government to prepare, each month a statement of financial activity accompanied by supporting information considered relevant by the Local Government.

Background

The report for the period ended 30th April 2006. (See Appendix B – Green Pages)

Comment

Nil

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Financial Management Regulations 1996 – Regulations 34-35.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That the Financial Reports for the period ending 30^{th} April 2006 be received, noted and incorporated in the Minutes of the Meeting.

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9.3 Manager Works & Services Officer Reports

Office provided verbal report

9.4 Principal Environmental Health Officer Reports

No Report

9.5 Community Development Officer Reports

9.5.1 Subject/Applicant: Arts, Tourism, and Heritage

Reporting Officer: Coby Kirwan, Com. Development Officer

Date of Report: 8th May 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Heritage

The gazebo for the cemetery has been erected it. The first list of names and corresponding numbers will be ordered from the sign writer beginning with the earliest dates in the Burial Register. All names and spelling will be checked as thoroughly as is possible with the information available to me.

The idea for an entry statement to the town of Wiluna has been enthusiastically received. Funds must now be sought and ideas put on paper with ongoing consultation. A 'Brief' has been sent out to a range of sculptors for expressions of interest.

Arts

Gallery sales are going very well. The Tjukurba Gallery has purchased over \$12,000 dollars of art work, cash in the pocket of our Wiluna artists. Miners, tourists and government workers have purchased over \$9,000 worth of paintings. In order to catch up the difference in this revolving fund direct payment to artists is on hold until the end of May when they will be paid for paintings still in stock. On May 31 I have been invited to the Jundee Mine with as many paintings as possible to sell and celebrate Reconciliation day at a meeting there. I will attend with Kendra Farmer and Annette Williams.

As our most well established artist the CEO has invited Annette Williams to produce a small painting as a gift to the visiting Governor General on May 23. Annette will present her painting on behalf of the people of Wiluna.

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Tourism

A meeting for tourism will be held in Leonora on May 29th at 1pm will attend and would be able to take another lady councillor if they are free to travel and attend.

The Rodeo is proceeding well; the event schedule is available. The local mines have been very generous in their support offering prize money, lighting equipment, portable toilets. Local pastoralists Wayne and Tanya Lupton, Greg Payne, friends and Wiluna volunteers have been very generous in their clean up efforts. The next job is to erect fences at the Racetrack at a Busy Bee on Sunday May 22 or 28. All helpers are welcome and will share in a BBQ lunch treat.

For Discussion

Don Miller has much knowledge about local wildflowers. He could be called upon as a consultant to design tourist brochures that explain what plants are to be seen on each of the main roads in the Wiluna Shire.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

For discussion only

9.6 Youth Sports & Recreational Officer Reports

Officer to provide verbal report

10 Elected Members Motion of Which Previous Notice Has Been Given

10.1 Subject/Applicant:	Police Foot Patrols in Wiluna
Reporting Officer:	Shire President, Kerrie Johnston
Date of Report:	8 th May 2006
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

Summary

Council notes that foot patrols did occur in the past and consider that with the new police in town it would be a good time to reintroduce them.

Background

Council is of the opinion that if police get to know the people better it will assist them with their inquiries and perhaps encourage people to confide when the need arises.

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Comment

Council considers one or two foot patrols per week will suffice and is probably best undertaken when the force is not busy. Council acknowledges the good work done recently by the police with young boys and football and asks that this goodwill be extended to others in the community

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That the Western Australian Police introduce foot patrols in Wiluna with a view to getting to know the people of the town and Bondini on an informal basis.

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MOVED Cr J Kyanga SECONDED Cr C Ellis CARRIED 4/0

11 Urgent Business Approved by the Person Presiding or by Decision of Council

Nil

12 Matters Behind Closed Doors

Nil

13 Closure

This meeting was declared closed at 10.50am

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