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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 K Johnston (Council President)
CR J Kyanga (Deputy President)

CR C Carton CR C Ellis

CR K Farmer (Entered at 10:15am)
CR D Farmer (Entered at 10:30am)
Anthony Kirwan (Shire of Wiluna - CEO)
Jean Alagappan (Manager, Admin & Finance)

Frank Emhofer (Works Supervisor)

3 Response to Previous Public Questions Taken on Notice

Nil

4 Public Question Time

Nil

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 Meeting Held on 30th May 2006 be accepted as a true record of that meeting.

45/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR C Carton SECONDED CR J Kyanga CARRIED 4/0

8 Announcements by Presiding Member without Discussion

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Shire has had a very busy time in the past couple of weeks. Firstly we have had a high-impact visit from the Governor-General, Sir Michael Jeffery and his wife, Mrs. Marlena Jeffery. They were accompanied by Mr & Mrs Ted Egan, Mr & Mrs Bruce Campbell and Dr Stephen Jiggins.

Governor-General Sir Michael Jeffery officially opened the Wiluna Swimming Pool; then visited the local School, where our children entertained the Governor-General Sir Michael Jeffery and Mrs Jeffery and their party. The children joined in a sing along with Mr Ted Egan. Everyone returned to the Shire for a Civic Reception, introduced to the people of Wiluna.

Because time allowed, we were able to take the Governor–General, Mrs Jeffery and party to see the Aboriginal Medical Centre and to speak with the Doctor, Nurses, and staff, then on to see Lake Violet and Well number 1 on the Canning Sock Route.

The Minister of Education, Ms. Ljiljanna Ravlich, then came to Wiluna where she met with the Shire Councillors, BHP, & Newmont representatives. The "President of the School Council", Anne Geary, joined the Minister and the principal to look around the school.

This resulted to a pledge for a new Wiluna school building and location, amounting to \$5,000,000. This new school will also provide mature-aged student training programs in affiliation with the mines in order to boost skills and employment in the local community.

I would like to thank all the Shire Councillors, BHP, & Newmont representatives, Cr. Anne Geary, and the local community for their cooperation and support in making these visits successful for Wiluna.

On Tuesday 30th May 2006, there was a special meeting held about Mobil Maintenance, where it was decided to accept the offer and take on the project. Within 2 days, another meeting had to be held with Cr Kyanga, Cr Ellis, Cr Geary and Cr Johnston, were it was decided to delay the project, as a letter had changed the proposal and there was no equipment.

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: 6th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Wiluna School

The Minister of Education has announced that a new school will be built in Wiluna. \$5 million have been allocated and the school will be sited over the road from the Shire offices. Ms Ravlich said that she expected the new school would be ready to open in 2008.

(See Attachment C – Yellow Pages)

The Shire will now begin talking to the Commonwealth about allocating funding for technical teaching facilities on the same land to assist improve the job readiness of young people in the town.

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Sewerage System

The Chief Operating Officer of the Water Corporation has informed me that planning is continuing to move the ponds. At this stage funding has not been approved and a submission will be going to Ministerial Cabinet in Perth soon. With the amount of recent publicity I do expect approval although we still have to await the outcome.

Visit by the Governor General

The visit provoked a lot of interest and telephone calls, emails and faxes were received from a large number of media outlets and others.

Toilet Block

ICC has received the application for \$50000 funding and we expect to hear the result soon. The Shire of Wiluna has also budgeted \$50000 for the project in the next financial year.

Mobile Maintenance Team

At the Special Council meeting held on Tuesday 30 May 2006 Council decided to accept the offer from Aboriginal Housing and Maintenance to take the project on. This included the staff, vehicle, trailer and tools. Within two days the vehicle, trailer and tools were handed back to the previous contractor.

Councillors Johnston, Kyanga, Ellis and Geary with the CEO held another meeting and it was decided to delay the project because the original agreement had not been kept and no tools were available. We are awaiting further developments.

Department of Housing and Works

The revised plans for the new DHW homes have been received and circulated. No comments or suggestions have been received and DHW will now proceed to the tender process.

Desert Gold

The project planning to start Desert Gold again is continuing. It is expected Council will be briefed soon and further discussions will be held after that,

Release of Building and Industrial Lots in Wiluna

The Department of Planning and Infrastructure will be visiting Wiluna in the near future to discuss the release of land in Wiluna.

Homemaker Program

This position will be advertised in June to commence in July or August when a when a new house will be available. We are seeking to cooperate with DHW in this project with the possibility of hiring 2 people.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

For Discussion Only

* CR D Farmer entered the meeting at 10:15am *

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9.1.2 Subject/Applicant: Motion to thank the Minister of Education

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 6th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

The Minister of Education has approved the construction of a new school in Wiluna, which would be ready to open in 2008.

Background

The recent visit by the Governor General has highlighted the physical state of the Wiluna School. After a number of years of trying and regular submissions to the Education Department there has finally been action taken to remedy an unsatisfactory situation.

Comment

The Minister of Education visited the Shire of Wiluna on the 30th May 2006. She met with the Shire Council and the mines as well as inspecting the school and meeting with school staff.

The Minister listened to all of the Councillors who were unanimous in there view that a new school was required. She also listened to BHP and Newmont about the need to include a training component in the education plans to assist the mines to prepare people for employment. It was explained to the Minister by Councillor Darren Farmer that the system of education need changing to improve the outcomes and job prospects for his people. He further asked that the Minister consider adding a college for the town's many other education needs.

Consultation

There has been extensive consultation on this issue for a number of years.

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

* CR K Farmer entered the meeting at 10:30am *

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That:

- 1. The Shire Council of Wiluna sincerely thanks the Minister of Education for her prompt action in approving a new school to be ready in 2008.
- 2. The Shire Council of Wiluna request that the Minister continue to take a personal interest in this project to ensure completion because of the mainly previous promises by a number of other agencies that have not commenced or failed.
- 3. The CEO of the Shire of Wiluna forward a copy of this resolution to the Minister.

MOVED CR C Ellis

SECONDED CR D Farmer CARRIED 6/0

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9.1.3 Subject/Applicant: Martu Regional Group comprising Wiluna,

Jigalong, Punmu and Cotton Creek

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 6th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

The Council has previously been asked to join the Northern Goldfields Regional Government Group but decided to withdraw when the previous CEO of the City of Kalgoorlie was in charge.

Background

A recent report to the Minister of Local Government has recommended and encouraged this process of regionalisation. Wiluna has again been asked to enter the group and we are budgeting \$10,000 for the next financial year to participate in a study.

The Minister of Local Government and Regional Development has approved \$80,000 to assist with this study for a regional organisation.

There are eleven local governments involved including Esperance, Kalgoorlie, Southern Cross and up to Leonora and Laverton.

Comment

Councillor Farmer has suggested that Wiluna is more aligned to Jigalong, Punmu and Cotton Creek and that the Wiluna funds would be better spent examining that prospect.

Advantages

- 1. Wiluna could become a centre for training for Aboriginal people in the area, i.e. specialising in training for Martu people.
- 2. There are language and family links right up through to Punmu.
- 3. Grants Commission funding for such a regional grouping may be easier to access due to the common problems.
- 4. Wiluna is probably out of place in a regional organisation based in Kalgoorlie because most of the problems in Wiluna are developmental i.e. basic needs are still being developed.

Consultation

The Department of Local Government and Regional Development will advise the Shire of Wiluna on how to proceed.

Financial Implications

\$10,000 is proposed to be committed to the Kalgoorlie regional government process.

- * President K Johnston called for a break in proceeding at 10:50am *
- * The meeting was re-opened at 11:03am *

Attendance

CR C Ellis

CR K Johnston (Council President)
CR J Kyanga (Deputy President)
CR C Carton

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CR D Farmer CR K Farmer

Anthony Kirwan (Shire of Wiluna – CEO) Jean Alagappan (Manager, Admin & Finances)

Frank Emhofer (Works Supervisor)

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That Council approve an investigation by CEO, Councillor Farmer with assistance from the Department of Local Government into the possibilities of establishing and participating in a new regional local government organisation based on Wiluna, Jigalong, Punmu and Cotton Creek.

47/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR K Farmer SECONDED CR J Kyanga CARRIED 6/0

9.1.4 Subject/Applicant: Wiluna Development Project funded by

the State Government

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 6th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

The Human Services Director Generals Group and the Cabinet Standing Committee on Social Policy have initiated a development project for Wiluna that links a public investment in housing and infrastructure with eduction, training and employment. The innovative feature of the development project is a partnership of State and Commonwealth agencies, the mining industry and the Wiluna community centred on the Shire's representative and service delivery capacity.

The recent State budget has allocated \$1.9m funding over 4 years for project management and community engagement to assist DLGRD's lead agency responsibility.

The Wiluna Shire will manage the project supported by a Steering Committee chaired by DLGRD and comprising the Wiluna Shire, Department of Indigenous Affairs, Department of Housing and Works, Department of Education and Training and Department of Industry and Resources.

Background

Essentially the project involves 4 elements:

1. A project Manager will have responsibility to coordinate an infrastructure investment plan involving the building of 13 houses, a new sewerage scheme, the regularisation of Bondini community into the Wiluna Town Planning Scheme and to follow up with the progress on the Desert Gold project. The Project Manager will ensure that the

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infrastructure investment will incorporate a social development and community capacity building strategy. This is viewed as a priority and the position will be advertised as soon as possible.

- 2. A Community Capacity Building Coordinator will have responsibility to link the Wiluna Remote Community School with available training schemes including the Community Employment Development Projects (CDEP) with the mining industry and other employers to improve employment outcomes as well as to follow up on the development of the new school as promised by the Minister of Education.
- 3. Funding for community capacity building initiatives is vital to ensure a community partnership approach and sustainable outcomes.
- 4. Finally in the first year of the project, funding has been set aside to conduct a socio/economic and demographic study to establish comprehensive baseline data so that outcomes from this development approach can be clearly shown. DLGRD is currently having discussions with Dr John Taylor from ANU about this study.

Comment

The key to the success of this local development approach is resourcing the Wiluna Shire with sufficient expertise to drive and sustain the initiative. It cannot be driven externally because outside agencies are by nature reductionist in that they isolate issues according to areas of their responsibility. For example the Department of Education and Training will be guided by its internal policy and administrative guidelines and assess an investment in Wiluna on the basis of competing education demands state-wide. Likewise the Indigenous Coordinating Centre will be guided by the imperatives of Family and Community Service and Community Development and Employment programs.

There are a plethora of other programs that are or could be invested in Wiluna but are not linked to a locally managed development vision. As the locally elected system of governance the Shire should be mandated and resourced to develop a local and regional vision for its residents and a subsequent negotiation and implementation strategy.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

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Policy Implications

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Financial Implications

The ERC has approved \$1.9m funding over 4 years for project management and community engagement to assist DLGRD's lead agency responsibility for a partnership development approach for Wiluna. The funding was approved in the State Budget on 11 May 2006.

Details of the funding are outlined below.

	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Budget Items				
Project Manager (L9)	\$98,180	2x FTE	2x FTE	2x FTE
Community Capacity Building Coordinator (L6)	\$64,000	Ongoing with increment	Ongoing with increment	Ongoing with increment
Socioeconomic analysis	\$160,000	s	s	S
Community Capacity Building initiatives	\$155,000			
Capital costs (2x vehicles) Administration, travel & office costs	\$120,000 \$100,000	\$155,00	\$155,000	\$155,000
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Strategic Implications

The implications for the Shire of Wiluna are that the State Government has realised that Wiluna in underdeveloped and is prepared to assist overcome the many problems.

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That Council accept the State Governments offer of \$1.9 million over four years for project management and community engagement to assist DLGRD's lead agency responsibility for a partnership development approach for Wiluna.

48/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR D Farmer SECONDED CR C Ellis CARRIED 6/0

9.1.5 Subject/Applicant: Proposed Closure of Laneway between Wells,

Trenton, Jones and Scotia Streets

File: AMS Clinic and Lots 566-581
Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 6th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

It is proposed to offer for sale as one super lot comprising all of the land between Wells, Trenton, Jones and Scotia Streets being Lots 566 to 581. It is also proposed to close the laneway and include the land into the super lot as part of the sale.

Background

The AMS is proposing to build a new Clinic that will take up all of the area proposed.

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Comment

The laneways must be removed from the original Lot Plan in order for the development to proceed.

Consultation

AMS have consulted all of the interested parties.

Statutory Environment

Notification of the changes is required under the Local Government Act as well as under the Land Administration Regulations.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

There will be minimum cost to the Shire, as all of the Service Authorities will be contacted by mail. All that remains is that the closures be advertised locally.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That the 'Right of Way' in following laneway be closed: The laneway between Wells, Trenton, Jones and Scotia Streets.

49/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR C Ellis SECONDED CR D Farmer CARRIED 6/0

9.1.6 Subject/Applicant: Alter the Budget Allocations to Upgrade the

Racecourse for the Rodeo and Future Events

Reporting Officer: A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer

Date of Report: 7th June 2005

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

This change is to allow improvements to the racecourse that would be semi permanent and be used in future events.

Background

The racecourse has been used previously for regular race meetings but has fallen into disrepair through lack of use. It has been proposed that we upgrade the facility for future events as it is hoped that the rodeo and other horse events will be held annually.

Extra Funding Requirements

The funding will be used for the following:

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- -Materials
- -Mesh
- -Poles
- -Grader and other machinery

Financial Implications

The extra funding requirements of \$18000 to upgrade the racecourse will be financed by budgetary savings from the upgrade of the Canning Stock Route Well No 1 which will not go ahead.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That Council approve the proposed changes to the budget by reallocating funding of \$18000 from the proposed Canning Stock Route Well No1 upgrade to be used instead on the upgrade of the Shire of Wiluna racecourse.

50/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR J Kyanga SECONDED CR D Farmer CARRIED 6/0

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: 8th June 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 31st May 2006. (See Appendix A – Blue Pages)

Comment

Nil

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

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

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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 31st May 2006 totalling \$552,103.36 be received, noted and incorporated in the Minutes of the meeting.

51/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR C Carton SECONDED CR J Kyanga CARRIED 6/0

9.2.2 Subject/Applicant: Financial Report

File: Finance

Reporting Officer: J Alagappan, Manager Finance & Admin

Date of Report: 8th June 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 31st May 2006. (See Appendix B – Green Pages)

Comment

Nil

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

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

Policy Implications

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Financial Implications

Nil

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Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That the Financial Reports for the period ending 31st May 2006 be received, noted and incorporated in the Minutes of the Meeting.

52/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR D Farmer SECONDED CR C Ellis CARRIED 6/0

9.2.3 Subject/Applicant: Policy Manual - Review

Reporting Officer: J Alagappan, Manager Finance & Admin

Date of Report: 8th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

Adoption of revised Policy Manual 2006 Rescind previous Policy Manual 2004

Background

Council's Policy Manual details Council policy not covered elsewhere by Acts, Regulations, Local Government Laws and overriding State and Federal Legislation. The document should be reviewed every two years and was last reviewed in 2004. Some individual Policies were reviewed and some new policies approved after 2004 at various Council Meetings.

Comment

All Policies have now been reviewed and are presented to Council for adoption, change or deletion.

The Document has been rearranged, renumbered and reformatted to enhance its presentation.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995 Clause 2.7B

Policy Implications

Policy Manual 2006

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting requirement

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Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That the Policies listed in the accompanying Policy Manual in Appendix D – Orange Pages are approved in bulk and that all previous Policies be rescinded.

53/06 Council Decision

MOVED CR D Farmer SECONDED CR C Ellis CARRIED 6/0

9.3 Manager Works & Services Officer Reports

9.3.1 Subject/Applicant: Status Report

Reporting Officer: F Emhofer, Works Supervisor

Date of Report: 8th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Public Facilities

Work will be continuing on the BMX track later this month.

Work on the park next to the swimming pool will commence in the upcoming month.

The racecourse grounds are being upgraded for the rodeo in July. Work done includes ground levelling, fencing and restoration of old buildings.

Roads

The 40km section of Wongawol Road and the section on Windidda/Prenti Downs Road have been sheeted. Sheeting work on the Sydney Heads Road east of the pass has commenced.

Works

The ground work for the new Shire house has been completed in readiness for its arrival later this month.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

For information and discussion only

9.4 Principal Environmental Health Officer Reports

No Report

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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 June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Heritage

Two expressions of interest have been received from artists interested in submitting designs for the Wiluna entry statement sculpture. Examples of their work are available for discussion.

Arts

Gallery purchases were on hold at the end of May in order to catch up with funds until May 31. I took many paintings to the Jundee Mine Site on the occasion of Reconciliation day. A discussion took place that focused on the land, the stories seen in the paintings and how Aboriginals view the use of the land differently to miners. The miners who attended listened courteously and purchased approximately \$5,000 worth of paintings.

The Governor General wrote a letter of thanks to Annette for her gift and also thanked the Shire for the display of work at the Tjukurba Gallery.

Tourism

A tourism meeting in Leonora last week is considering a map of the region to promote a tourist trail from Warburton to Laverton, Leonora, Sandstone and Wiluna.

The Rodeo has been difficult to organise with limited time and workers available. Also costs with the redevelopment are higher than expected; food vendors are difficult to get here, as are portable toilet and shower facilities. The whole event is taking a lot of time to organise as it is complex and we have not done this before. To make this a manageable event this year it will now be run only as a one day Rodeo on Saturday July 15. Busy Bees are asked to volunteer for the next three Sundays to complete the work at the racetrack.

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

For information and discussion only

For Tourists/ Visitors, Don Miller has much knowledge about local wildflowers. He could be called upon to design tourist brochures that explain what plants are to be seen on each of the main roads in the Wiluna Shire. Is this a good idea?

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9.6 Youth Sports & Recreational Officer Reports

9.6.1 Subject/Applicant: Status Report

Reporting Officer: Lai Ratabua, Youth Sports & Rec Officer

Date of Report: 8th June 2006

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Summary

Football Training sessions

Tuesday and Thursdays from 4 – 6 for Under 17 and 6 – 8pm for Men Games on Sundays for Under 17 Men's on the 28th of June against Jundee

Active after School Program

Monday and Thursday from 3.30 - 5pm

Terrace Parade Banner

Sharona Gilbert (trainee) and the Wiluna children will be working on the banner. Will be sent on the first week on July

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

For information and discussion only

10 Elected Members Motion of Which Previous Notice Has Been Given

Nil

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 11:24am

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