



Minutes of the meeting of the Council of the Shire of Wiluna held in the Council Chamber, Scotia Street Wiluna on 12 February 2014

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 5.15 pm.

PRESENT: Cr Graham Harris (in the Chair), Cr Bernie Weller, Cr Kim Ovens, Cr Chris Webb, Andrea Nunan (Chief Executive Officer)

PUBLIC GALLERY: Ms Katrina Boylan, Mrs Caroline Thomas and Mrs Gillian Marchant

APOLOGIES: Cr Quadrio

ANNUAL REPORT

The 2012-2013 Annual Report for the Shire of Wiluna was adopted by Council resolution 126/13 at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 18 December 2013.

Local public notice of the availability of this report was posted 19 December 2013 on Shire notice board and around the town of Wiluna.

The Chairperson noted that Council had resolved 12.02.2014 (Resolution 011/14) to amend the annual report, by deleting the phrase "*No Freedom of Information application has been received by the Shire of Wiluna in the year 2012/2013*" that appears on page 11, end of sub-paragraph 6.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Current projects: Mrs Caroline Thomas asked about what projects had budgets allocated to them. The Chief Executive Officer advised that this information was in the adopted budget that could be obtained from the Shire, and that a report comparing budgets to actuals is available each month in the Council agenda.

LEMC: Mrs Gillian Marchant raised a general query about the LEMC and its membership; the Chief Executive Officer and Shire President provided information about the purpose of the LEMC and how it assists in the Shire area.

Public Question Time: Mrs Caroline Thomas asked for information in regard to the conduct of public question time. The Shire President provided some general information. The Chief Executive Officer to email a copy of the current Shire policy on Public Question Time.

Road project: Mrs Caroline Thomas noted their thankfulness at driving on a sealed road each day (Gunbarrel Highway) and queried if there were any plans to seal out to Kutkabubba (North Rd).

The Shire President said that ideally, the Shire would not like to start planning to seal or upgrade other roads within the Shire. The Shire President advised that some “road” planning” was underway and that Council would make some decision about a roads hierarchy and service levels and how the Council needed to determine what projects were to be undertaken into future.

The Shire President the spoke about possible road funding reductions and other on-going matters that would impact the Shire’s ability in the future to undertake projects and so forth.

General Information: The Shire President spoke generally about funding, on-going projects and matters that the Shire and Council would be working to progress over the next year.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 6.10pm