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MINUTES

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 (Deputy President)

Cr Kenny Farmer (Councillor)

Cr Catherine Carton (Councillor)

Anthony Kirwan (Chief Executive Officer)

Vince Bugna (Manager; Admin & Finance)

Thomas Milo (Works Foreman/Supervisor)

APOLIGIES

Cr Anne Geary (Councillor)

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

Nil

7 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting Held on 19th July 2007
be accepted as a true record of that meeting

50/07 Council Decision

MOVED Cr C Carton

SECONDED Cr J Kyanga

CARRIED 4/0

8 Announcements by Presiding Member without Discussion

Presidents Report

Cr Kerrie Johnston

Councillor Darren Farmer has resigned from Council.

Construction has started on the new school.

Thank you to Councillors for attending Local Government Week.

9 Reports of Committees and Officers

9.1 Chief Executive Officer Reports

9.1.1 Subject:	Status Report
Reporting Officer:	A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer
Date of Report:	6 th August 2007
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

Wiluna Development Plan (WDP)

After Council decided that the Shire should manage the Wiluna Development Plan the following have occurred:

1. Discussions have been held with the Department of Local Government (DLGRD), who finances the project, on their precise needs.
2. Discussions have been also been held with DLGRD on assistance from them to prepare a combined Shire and WDP budget once the activity plan for the WDP is in place.
3. A specialist corporate planner has been interviewed. This person will work with staff and Council to prepare and begin an action plan for an enlarged community capacity building plan
4. n advertisement has been placed for a finance officer.
5. A valuation for another house available in Wiluna has been obtained.
6. The position of Community Development Manager will be advertised soon.
7. The final report of the Creating Communities document will be received soon.

Staff Reviews

The annual staff reviews, required by the Local Government Act will be occurring during the month of August.

Local Government Week

Shire Councillors attended Local Government Week.

Local Government Elections

Preparations for the Local Government election in October have begun. Shire of Wiluna staff will be attending a training course during august to learn the new system of voting and counting.

State Emergency Service (SES)

Due to the sale and closure of Wiluna Gold the Shire has been asked to take on the role of SES in Wiluna. Training is expected to begin shortly.

Officer Recommendation

For information and discussion only

9.1.2 Subject:	Alter the Budget Allocations to Purchase And Upgrade a House in Wiluna
Reporting Officer:	A Kirwan, Chief Executive Officer
Date of Report:	7 th August
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

Summary

This budget alteration is to allow the purchase and upgrade of an established house in Wiluna for the use of Shire of Wiluna staff.

Background

At its last meeting Council passed a resolution that in part said:

1. That Council accepts the Creating Communities document that outlines the Wiluna Shire's leadership role in implementing the Wiluna Development Project.
2. That Council supports the proposed Shire management changes as outlined above and instructs the CEO to proceed with the changes that were first outlined during the CEO Review.

Given the complex nature of the issues involved in this project it is proposed that the government funding be used to restructure the corporate arrangements in the Shire to enable Council to directly manage the Wiluna Development Project.

For this restructure to occur further accommodation is required.

Funding

1. Current Budget shows:

Purchase of new house Lennon St	\$226,000
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2. Proposed Budget alteration shows:

Purchase of established house in Scotia Street	\$145,000
Painting, repair, upgrade and furniture	\$ 81,000
Total	\$226,000
3. Valuation:

A valuation of the property in Scotia Street has been obtained from a licensed valuer. This valuation is attached Appendix C – Orange Pages

Financial Implications

The financial implications for the annual budget are the same for the proposed changes as they were for the original budget.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Absolute majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That:

1. Council approve the proposed changes to the budget by reallocating funding of \$226,000 from the proposed purchase of a new house in Lennon Street to the purchase of an established house in Scotia Street with improvements and upgrade for an amount not exceeding \$226,000.
2. Council approve the purchase of an established house in Scotia Street for \$145,000 and the spending of other funds for painting, repair, upgrade and furniture for a total not exceeding \$226,000.

51/07 Council Decision

MOVED Cr J Kyanga

SECONDED Cr C Carton

CARRIED 4/0

9.2 Manager Finance and Administration Officer Reports

9.2.1 Subject/Applicant:	Accounts paid by Authority
File:	Finance
Reporting Officer:	Vince Bugna, Manager Admin & Finance
Date of Report:	8 th August 2007
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 ending 31st July 2007 is listed as Appendix A – Blue Pages.

Comment

Nil

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Financial Management Regulations 1996 – Regulations 34-35.1

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 July 2007 totalling \$391,261.18 be received noted and incorporated in the Minutes of the meeting.

52/07 Council Decision

MOVED Cr C Carton

**SECONDED Cr J Kyanga
CARRIED 4/0**

9.2.2 Subject/Applicant:	Financial Report
File:	Finance
Reporting Officer:	Vince Bugna, Manager Admin & Finance
Date of Report:	8 th August 2007
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

Summary

Section 6.4 of the Local Government Act 1995 requires the CEO to prepare monthly/quarterly financial reports in accordance with the provisions of regulation 34 and 35 of the Local Government Act (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Background

The reports for the period ending 31st July 2007 are listed as 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 31st June 2007 be received noted and incorporated in the Minutes of the Meeting.

53/07 Council Decision

MOVED Cr C Carton

**SECONDED Cr K Farmer
CARRIED 4/0**

9.2.3 Subject/Applicant:	Amendment to Budget 2007/08
File:	Budget 2007/08
Reporting Officer:	Vince Bugna, Manager Admin & Finance
Date of Report:	9 th August 2007
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

Summary

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 requires that a copy of the annual budget of a local government is to be submitted to the Executive Director of the department within 30 days of its adoption by the local government.

Background

Prior to submission, the annual budget was forwarded to Haines Norton for review and HN recommended to transfer \$293,634 during 2007/08 to Asset Replacement Acquisition Reserve account. The recommendation was a result of unspent grants reallocation/reclassification. Amended pages 33, 26 and 14 of Budget 2007/08 are listed in Appendix D – Mauve pages.

Comment

Nil

Consultation

Mandy Wayne and David Tomasi, UHY Haines Norton.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Financial Management Regulations 1996 – Regulations 33.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Budget 2007/08

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Absolute majority

Officer Recommendation/Draft Motion

That the amendment to Budget 2007/08 as set out in the budget document be adopted.

54/07 Council Decision

MOVED Cr C Carton

**SECONDED Cr J Kyanga
CARRIED 4/0**

9.3 Manager Works & Services Officer Reports

Verbal Report

9.4 Principal Environmental Health Officer Reports

Nil

9.5 Community Development Officer Reports

Nil

9.6 Youth Sports & Recreational Officer Reports

Nil

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 10.45am