District Council Of Loxton Waikerie

Minutes of the meeting of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie held on Friday 20 September 2019 in the Council Chamber, Strangman Road, Waikerie commencing at 9.04 am

1. Present

Mayor Leon Stasinowsky, Crs Sonya Altschwager, Jordann Kleemann, Clive Matthews, Trevor Norton, Deb Thiele, Michael Vowles, Peter Walker, Kym Webber and Terry Wheeldon

Mr David Beaton (Chief Executive Officer), Mr Greg Perry (Director Infrastructure Services), Mr Gordon Thomson (Director Corporate & Community Services) and Mrs Tanya Cregan (Executive Assistant).

2. Apologies

3. On leave  Cr Jody Flavel

4. Community Question Time Nil

5. Member's Declaration of Interest

Member's Declaration of Interest

Cr Thiele advised council that she has a perceived conflict of interest in item 16.3 entitled 'Nomination of a member to the Destination Riverland Project Team to participate in the development of a Riverland Tourism Plan 2030' and that she will remain in the chamber and not vote when this item is considered.

6. Confirmation of minutes of the council meeting held on 23 August 2019

Cr Norton moved Cr Wheeldon seconded

That the minutes of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie meeting held on 23 August 2019 be taken as read and confirmed.

CARRIED

7. Business Arising

8. Mayor's Report

The following report was presented by the Mayor:

- Official re-opening of Waikerie 420 Army Cadet Unit 25/8/19
- Waikerie 2019 Grandma of the Year competition 25/8/19
- Conducted opening of the Murray & Mallee Red Cross Zone Conference, Loxton 29/8/19
- Riverland and Mallee Citizen of the Year Awards, Berri 30/8/19
- Conducted opening of the Riverland Senior Citizens Club Rally, Loxton 5/9/18
- Australian String Quartet event, Waikerie 14/9/18
Cr Webber moved Cr Walker seconded
That the Mayor's Report be received.

CARRIED

9. Elected Members Reports

The following reports were presented by elected members:

Cr Webber
- Council meeting, Loxton 19/7/19
- Riverland West Chamber of Commerce Christmas meeting, Waikerie 27/8/19
- CEO meeting, Waikerie 29/8/19
- Riverland and Mallee Citizen of the Year Awards dinner, Berri 30/8/19
- Neighbourhood Watch/Riverland West Chamber of Commerce information session, Waikerie 3/9/19
- Murray Darling Association Region 5 meeting, Morgan 9/9/19
- Riverland West Chamber of Commerce meeting, Cadell 17/9/19
- Eddie Woo visit to Waikerie High School, Waikerie 18/9/19
- Waikerie Delivers Committee meeting, Waikerie 18/9/19

Cr Altschwager
- Council meeting, Loxton 23/8/19
- Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee site inspection Heritage Park water 26/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19
- Loxton Riverfront Advisory Group, site inspection Snake Island and surrounding developments 29/8/19
- Moorook and KOM Community Organisation AGM, Moorook 28/8/19
- Riverland Rotary Clubs Citizen of the Year Awards, Berri 30/8/19
- Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting 3/9/19
- Wall to Wall Ride for Remembrance lunch, Loxton 10/9/19
- Loxton Community Cluster Focus Group, 13/9/19
- Loxton Community Centre AGM, 17/9/19

Cr Thiele
- Loxton Recreation Complex on-site inspection followed by council meeting, Loxton 23/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19
- Loxton Riverfront working group discussions 29/8/19
- Loxton Christmas Lights inspection and discussion regarding new outdoor exhibit ‘Joy, Merry and Peace’ 3/9/19
- Discussion with Director Corporate & Community Services regarding Loxton East Terrace public toilets 3&5/9/19

Influencing today … shaping tomorrow
- Snake Island bridge working bee, Loxton 4/9/19
- Destination Riverland Steering Committee meeting for Riverland Tourism Plan 2030 4/9/19
- Loxton Historical Village Open Day 7/9/19
- Pines Management Committee meeting, Loxton 9/9/19
- Loxton Chamber of Commerce general meeting 9/9/19
- Australian String Quartet, Waikerie 14/9/19
- Loxton Hospital Advisory Committee meeting 16/9/19
- Loxton Christmas Lights working group meeting 19/9/19

Cr Wheeldon
- Loxton Primary School Book Week Parade 21/8/19
- Council meeting, Loxton 23/8/19
- Loxton Recreation Complex on-site inspection 23/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19
- Loxton Riverfront working group gathering 29/8/19
- Moorook Kingston on Murray Community Association AGM, Moorook 29/8/19
- Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting 3/9/19
- Roadside watering, Loxton 3/9/19
- Snake Island bridge building, Loxton 4/9/19
- Planter boxes for East Terrace, Loxton meeting 12/9/19

Cr Norton
- Council meeting, Loxton 23/8/19
- Riverland Independent Football & Netball presentations, Cobdogla 25/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19
- Loxton Riverfront Advisory Group meeting 29/8/19
- Loxton Retirement Village Committee meeting 29/8/19
- Moorook Kingston on Murray Community Association AGM, Moorook 29/8/19
- Riverland Independent Football and Netball grand finals, Cobdogla 31/8/19
- Riverland Netball grand finals, Berri 6/9/19
- Riverland Football League Whillas Medal presentations, Renmark 9/9/19
- SA Fruit Fly Standing Committee & Riverland Fruit Fly meeting, Loxton 10/9/19
- Riverland Football League grand finals, Berri 14/9/19
- Local Government Reform consultation forum, Karoonda 16/9/19
- Regional Development Australia Murraylands & Riverland Eddie Woo visit, Loxton 17/9/19
- Riverland Regional Development Assessment Panel meeting, Loxton 19/9/19
Cr Walker
- Council meeting, Loxton 23/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19
- Farwell lunch for CEO Regional Development Australia Murraylands & Riverland, Berri 29/8/19
- Meeting with CEO, Waikerie 29/8/19
- Waikerie District Residents and Ratepayers meeting 2/9/19
- Australian String Quartet, Waikerie 14/9/19
- Waikerie Cemetery meeting 16/9/19
- Waikerie RSL Committee meeting 16/9/19
- COTA meeting, Waikerie 17/9/18
- Waikerie Delivers Committee meeting (observer) 18/9/18
- Rotary meeting – Painting Christmas trees project 18/9/18
- Rural Business Support Audit meeting 19/9/19

Cr Vowles
- Loxton Recreation Complex on-site inspection 23/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19
- Snake Island Advisory Group meeting, Loxton 19/8/19
- Riverland and Mallee Citizen of the Year Awards dinner, Berri 30/8/19
- 2 days constructing Snake Island bridge with volunteers from Rotary, Men’s Shed and other councillors 4 & 5/9/19
- Loxton Community Cluster focus group session, Loxton 12/9/19
- Represented the Mayor, Dinner with the Ambassador for Iraq, Dr Joanne Loundes, Renmark Club 12/9/19

Cr Kleemann
- Red Cross Best Grandma Competition, Waikerie 25/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19

Cr Matthews
- Council meeting, Loxton 23/8/19
- ICAC Awareness session for elected members, Berri 27/8/19
- Waikerie Christmas Decorations Committee meeting 10/9/19
- Waikerie Health Advisory Committee meeting 17/9/19 & 20/9/19
- Lunch with Eddie Woo 18/9/19
- Rotary meeting – Christmas tree painting 18/9/19
- Ageing Strategy Committee 20/9/19

Cr Matthews moved Cr Norton seconded
That the elected member reports be received.
CARRIED
10. Questions without Notice

10.1 Waikerie Soldiers Memorial Hall centenary

Cr Webber:

What events are planned to celebrate the centenary of the Waikerie Soldiers Memorial Hall in March 2020 and will the kitchen upgrade be completed by then?

The Director Corporate & Community Services responded that suitable event/s will be considered in liaison with the Waikerie RSL and that upgrades to the kitchen are proposed to commence in the near future and are expected to be completed in 6 months whilst working around existing Institute user bookings.

Cr Webber moved Cr Norton seconded
That the question and response be recorded in the minutes. **CARRIED**

10.2 McCoy Street public toilets

Cr Matthews:

Do you have an update on the smell issue in the Waikerie McCoy toilets? Has it been fixed?

The Director Corporate & Community Services responded that advice has been sought from a plumber to replace seals in pans and breather pipes and that arrangements have been made to have vents installed in external and internal doors. Further that Whirly Birds have been installed on the roof and that an exhaust fan has been installed to operate when the lights are on. Once these incremental changes have been undertaken, the need for further work will be reassessed. This may include a forensic examination of pipe work and engaging an engineer to develop other options.

10.3 Rainmoth Gallery public toilets

Cr Matthews:

Please clarify who owns the toilets in Federation Park behind the Rainmoth Gallery. Are they public toilets or are they only for patrons of the Rainmoth Gallery?
If they are public toilets can council investigate the cost of having them cleaned so tourists and towns people can use them?

The Director Corporate & Community Services responded that arrangements are currently in place for Rainmoth Gallery staff to clean the toilets and that the toilets are locked outside of the Rainmoth Gallery opening hours. The Director Corporate & Community Services will take this question on notice to investigate options for the toilets to remain open outside of the Rainmoth Gallery opening hours.

Cr Matthews moved Cr Norton seconded
That the questions and responses be recorded in the minutes.

CARRIED

Questions on Notice Nil

Deputations/Guests Nil

Notice of Motion Nil

Motion without Notice

14.1 Long Vehicle parking

Cr Vowles moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council investigate more dedicated long vehicle (car/caravan) parking close to CBD and Visitor Information Centre/Libraries in Loxton and Waikerie.

CARRIED

Strategy & Governance Reports Nil

Corporate & Community Services Reports

16.1 Taplan Cemetery

Cr Webber moved Cr Vowles seconded
That council advises the St John’s Evangelical Lutheran Church Taplan Inc and the Lutheran Church of Australia SA-NT District, that it will accept Section 169, Hundred of Bookpurnong, Taplan Road, Taplan, as contained in Certificate of Title Volume 4744 Folio 985, subject to all costs of the transfer being met by the Church.

CARRIED
16.2 **Review of Leases and Licences**
Cr Thiele moved Cr Wheeldon seconded

1. That council identify any additional criteria to be included in the review of leasing and licencing of council facilities.

2. That council note that following completion of the external review, the revised policy and related documents will be referred to the Asset and Lease Committee.

**CARRIED**

16.3 **Nomination of a member to the Destination Riverland Project Team to participate in the development of a Riverland Tourism Plan 2030**

Cr Thiele declared a perceived conflict of interest as she has already been named as the appointed representative without formal appointment by council and advised that she will remain in the chamber but will not vote.

Cr Vowles moved Cr Wheeldon seconded
That Cr Thiele be council’s appointed representative to the Destination Riverland Project Team to participate in the development of the Riverland Tourism Plan 2030 and that the Director Corporate & Community Services be her proxy.

**CARRIED**

Cr Thiele did not vote.

16.4 **Hart Lagoon Nature Trail Licence Agreement**
Cr Norton moved Cr Matthews seconded
That council receive the late report entitled ‘Waikerie Apex Club Revitalisation of Hart Lagoon Nature Trail update’.

**CARRIED**

Cr Vowles moved Cr Matthews seconded
That council authorise the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal necessary documentation for the Crown Land Licence Agreement pursuant to Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1999.

**CARRIED**
17. Infrastructure Services Reports

17.1 Light Emitting Diode (LED) Street Lighting Bulk Replacement Program

Cr Thiele left the chamber at 10.19 am and returned to the chamber at 10.21 am

Cr Kleemann left the chamber at 10.24 am and returned to the chamber at 10.26 am

Cr Wheeldon moved Cr Vowles seconded
That council:
1. Receives the report.
2. Transitions those Light Emitting Diode (LED) streetlights installed by SA Power Networks (SAPN) under the SAPN LED Tariff to the Public Lighting Customer (PLC) Tariff under the July 2019 SAPN offer.
3. Undertakes an upgrade of all Street Light Use of System (SLUOS) P Category streetlights to LED technology and using the SAPN PLC tariff in 2019/2020 financial year.
4. Assigns the greenhouse gas savings and carbon abatement in order to generate Australian Carbon Credit Units and return a financial dividend to the council.
5. Registers interest with Local Government Procurement for the bulk purchase of LED luminaires.
6. That council considers the other recommendations listed in section 7 Key Recommendations as part of the 2020/21 Annual Business Plan deliberations.
7. Delegate authority to the CEO to finalise negotiations with SAPN for the LED luminaire transitions, within the reported cost structure.

CARRIED

Cr Norton moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That the meeting adjourn for morning tea.

CARRIED
Meeting adjourned 10.38 am
Meeting resumed 11.00 am

A moment silence was observed as a gesture of respect for those who have recently passed from our communities with sympathy and condolences extended to their family members.

17. Infrastructure Services Reports
   Continued

17.2 Lunn Road Gazettal
Cr Matthews moved Cr Webber seconded
1. That council contact the Department of Planning Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) requesting that they gazette the 2.0 km section of Lunn Road as a General Freight Route for 26m B Double truck configurations.

2. That council monitors and considers the first 2.0km of Lunn Road for re-sheeting in the 2020/21 Annual Business Plan deliberations. CARRIED

18. Income/Investment Statement
Cr Thiele moved Cr Vowles seconded
That the Investment Position presented as at 31 August 2019 be received. CARRIED

19. Reports and Recommendations of Committees
Cr Webber moved Cr Walker seconded
That the minutes of the Waikerie Delivers Committee meeting held 18 September 2019 being after the close of this meeting agenda be received. CARRIED

19.4.1 Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee – minutes of meeting held
3 September 2019
Cr Norton moved Cr Webber seconded
That council note the recommendation from the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting held 3 September 2019 being:
Item 8.1 Mill Corner Project

That the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee endorse the Mill Corner Historical Precinct Plan with the investigation of toilet facilities and or an RV dump point for adoption by council.

CARRIED

Cr Webber moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council do not endorse the recommendation from the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting held 3 September 2019 being:

Item 8.2 Hentschke Rose Garden

That the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee endorse the Hentschke Rose Garden Plan as on page 13 in the agenda for adoption by council.

(Consider as a budget bid in 2020/21)

CARRIED

Cr Vowles moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That council endorse the recommendation from the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting held 3 September 2019 being:

Item 9.1 Exception Report

That the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee recommend that council investigate costing of paving the Drabsch Street Cross Over and installation of removable bollards.

CARRIED

19.5.1 Waikerie Delivers Committee – minutes of meeting held 18 September 2019

Cr Webber moved Cr Walker seconded
That council endorse the recommendation from the Waikerie Delivers Committee meeting held 18 September 2019 being:

Item 11.2 Ramco signage

That this matter be referred to the newly established Waikerie Recreation Grounds Committee.

CARRIED
Cr Matthews moved Cr Webber seconded
That council endorse the recommendation from the Waikerie Delivers
Committee meeting held 18 September 2019 being:

Item 13 – Motion without Notice

Deputations: That the positions be noted and that council undertake
consultation with these groups as the suggestions could be
incorporated into the Waikerie Riverfront & Trails draft Concept
Masterplan detailed design.

CARRIED

Cr Vowles moved Cr Matthews seconded
That the minutes of the following committees be received:

19.1 Loxton Christmas Lights Committee
Minutes of meeting held 15/18/19
19.2 Loxton Retirement Village Committee
Minutes of meeting held 29/8/19
19.3 Pines Management Committee
Minutes of meeting held 9/9/19
19.4 Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee
Minutes of meeting held 3/9/19

CARRIED

20. Information Only Reports

Cr Vowles moved Cr Wheeldon seconded
That the Information Only reports be received.

CARRIED

20.2.3 Main Street Toilet upgrade - updated

Cr Vowles moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That council immediately do work to reduce the odour and increase
ventilation in the McCoy Street, Waikerie public toilets.

That council put out Expressions of Interest (or tenders) for architect
building plans for new toilets on the southern side of the current East
Terrace, Loxton septic tank location.
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That council commence discussions regarding the future development of the McCoy Street, Waikerie public toilets.

That council establish a working group to assist in the development of the designs of the public toilets in Loxton and Waikerie.

The working group to comprise of Crs Thiele, Walker, Matthews and Vowles and community members as co-opted by the working group.  

CARRIED

20.1.2 Minutes & Circulars of Organisations

Cr Webber moved Cr Walker seconded
That council do not send a delegate to the Murray Darling Association Region 5 National Conference to be held at Toowoomba on 22 to 24 October 2019 due to attendance by representatives from the Berri Barmera and Renmark Paringa Councils.

CARRIED

21. Confidential Reports Nil

22. Closure The meeting closed at 12.24 pm

Minutes confirmed on ...........................................

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Mayor Leon Stasinowsky

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