District Council Of Loxton Waikerie

Minutes of the meeting of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie held on Friday 30 November 2018 in the Council Chamber, East Tce, Loxton commencing at 9.01 am

1. Present

Mayor Leon Stasinowsky, Crs Sonya Altschwager, Jody Flavel, Jordann Kleemann, Clive Matthews, Trevor Norton, Deb Thiele, Peter Walker and Terry Wheeldon.

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

2. Apologies

Cr Michael Vowles

3. On leave

Cr Kym Webber

4. Community Question Time

4.1 Digital recording

Mr Tom Loffler:
What is the status of the digital recording of council meetings?

The CEO responded the digital recording equipment has been installed but is not in operation at this time. It is envisaged recording may commence in the New Year.

4.2 Car Parks

Mr Trevor Fielke:
Can consideration be given for extra car parking spaces and/or improvements in Loxton at the following locations?

- Drabsch Street from the Post Office to the Police Station
- Drabsch Street – removal of existing seat and table to create an extra car park
- Both sides of Pyap Street from Loxcare to ‘On the Run’ Service Station
- ‘Cross over’ - ANZ Bank to Foodland (left hand side) – yellow line removed to create extra parking
- Foodland – distance from corner – room for extra car park
- Adjacent to Loxcare on Pyap Street– yellow line removed to create extra parking
- 2 x car parks used by business for commercial reasons – can this be regulated
5. **Member's Declaration of Interest**

Declaration of Interest forms lodged

Cr Altschwager advised council that she has a material conflict of interest in portion of item 15.3 entitled ‘Drought Communities Program’ and will leave the chamber when this item is considered.

Cr Altschwager advised council that she has an actual conflict of interest in item 15.4 entitled ‘Elected member training and development – application’ and will leave the chamber when this item is considered.

6. **Confirmation of minutes of the council meeting held 19 October 2018.**

   Confirmation of minutes of the special council meeting held 21 November 2018.

   Cr Flavel moved Cr Norton seconded
   
   That the minutes of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie meeting held 19 October 2018 be taken as read and confirmed.

   CARRIED

   Cr Thiele moved Cr Flavel seconded
   
   That the minutes of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie special council meeting held 21 November 2018 be taken as read and confirmed.

   CARRIED

7. **Business Arising**

8. **Mayor's Report**

9. **Elected Members Reports**

   The following report was presented:

   Cr Norton
   - Remembrance Day Service, Loxton 11/11/18
   - iPad training and Special Council meeting, Loxton 21/11/18
   - Meeting to discuss Loxton Bowling Club proposal, Loxton 27/11/18

   Cr Walker moved Cr Thiele seconded
   
   That the elected member report be received.

   CARRIED
10. Questions without Notice

11. Questions on Notice Nil

12. Deputations/Guests Nil

13. Notice of Motion Nil

14. Motion without Notice

14.1 **East Tce Revitalisation**

Cr Thiele moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That a report be presented to the January 2019 council meeting as part of the 2018/19 Annual Business Plan update second quarter on the East Tce revitalisation project funds and actions.

**CARRIED**

15. Strategy & Governance Reports

15.1 **Delegates to the Murraylands & Riverland LGA**

Cr Flavel moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council appoint the Mayor and Deputy Mayor (proxy) and Chief Executive Officer as its representatives to the Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association.

**CARRIED**

15.2 **Ramco Football & Netball Club request for signage at the Ramco Oval to incorporate a sponsor’s name**

Cr Norton moved Cr Walker seconded
That council provide in principle support for the erection of additional signage at the Ramco Football Oval to incorporate a sponsors name subject to:

- Formal advice to council advising the name of the sponsor and the term of the sponsorship; and
- Clarification of the proposed signage design and structure to determine if development approval is required

**CARRIED**

*Influencing today … shaping tomorrow*
15.3 **Drought Communities Programme**

Cr Norton moved Cr Thiele seconded  
That this matter be deferred for consideration later in this meeting.  

CARRIED

15.4 **Elected member training and development – application**

Cr Altschwager declared an actual conflict of interest due to consideration of her application to attend the Elected Members Leadership Program and left the chamber at 9.32 am

Cr Norton moved Cr Thiele seconded  
That council approve the attendance of Cr Altschwager to the Elected Members Leadership Program and agree to make payment of the cost of the program of $550.00 (GST ex) with other allowances, such as travel allowance, being payable as per the Elected Member Allowances and Benefits Policy.  

CARRIED

Cr Altschwager returned to the chamber at 9.34 am

15.5 **Federal Government Mobile Black Spot programme – round 4**

Cr Flavel moved Cr Norton seconded  
That council provide $20,000 financial contribution towards the Peebinga telephone towers, as incentive for telecommunications carriers reviewing opportunities in this region under the Federal Government Mobile Black Spot programme.

Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign agreements with telecommunication carriers, if requested, to reflect councils financial and/or in kind commitment to secure base stations to mitigate mobile phone black spots in the councils area.  

CARRIED

16. **Corporate & Community Services Reports**

16.1 **Loxton Australia Day Selection Panel**

Cr Norton moved Cr Flavel seconded  
That an Australia Day Awards selection panel be appointed comprising of the Mayor and Crs Thiele, Walker, Matthews and Wheeldon.  

CARRIED
16.2 Draft 2017/18 Annual Report
Cr Thiele moved Cr Norton seconded
That council receive and adopt the District Council of Loxton Waikerie Annual Report for the 2017/18.
CARRIED

16.3 Alteration to dedication – Allotment 118, Deposited Plan 84059, Murray Street, Loxton
Cr Thiele moved Cr Walker seconded
That:
1. Council consents to the re-dedication of Allotment 118 Deposited Plan 84059 for community purposes.
2. The Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign and seal the Form of Acknowledgement.
CARRIED

16.4 Request for waiver of Development Application fees – DA 551/239/18 – Loxcare Inc
Cr Thiele moved Cr Flavel seconded
That council:
1. Acknowledges the report.
2. Acknowledges the correspondence dated 18 October 2018 from Loxcare Inc.
3. Agrees to waive all fees for Development Application 551/239/18, in the amount of $245.25.
CARRIED

16.5 Request for reduction of Development Application fees – DA 551/193/18 – Pomona Farms
Cr Norton moved Cr Flavel seconded
That council:
1. Acknowledges the report.
2. Acknowledges the correspondence dated 6 November 2018 from Pomona Farms.
3. Agrees to waive fees for Development Application 551/193/18 in the amount of $99,360, resulting in the total amount to be paid being $13,426.
CARRIED
16.6 Request for reduction of Development Application fees – DA 551/258/18 – Red Earth Farms
Cr Flavel moved Cr Walker seconded
That council:
1. Acknowledges the report.
2. Acknowledges the correspondence from Red Earth Farms.
3. Agrees to waive fees for Development Application 551/258/18 in the amount of $10,350, resulting in the total amount to be paid being $10,595.
CARRIED

16.7 Riverland Regional Assessment Panel – arrangements for 2019
Cr Flavel moved Cr Wheeldon seconded
That council:
1. Recommends to the Chief Executive of the Department for Planning Transport and Infrastructure that Cheryle Pedler is appointed as the Assessment Manager for the Riverland Regional Assessment Panel, for the period 1 January to 31 December 2019.
2. Appoints Cr Norton as the elected member representative on the Riverland Regional Assessment Panel for the period 1 January to 31 December 2019.
CARRIED

17. Infrastructure Services Reports Nil

18. Income/Investment Statement
Cr Wheeldon moved Cr Norton seconded
That the Investment Position presented as at 31 October 2018 be received.
CARRIED

19. Reports and Recommendations of Committees
Cr Flavel moved Cr Walker seconded
That the minutes of the following committees be received:

19.1 Loxton Christmas Lights Committee
Minutes of meeting held 18/10/18
Notes of meeting held 15/11/18
19.2  Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee
Minutes of meeting held 6/11/18

20. Information Only Reports

Cr Thiele moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That the Information Only reports be received.

CARRIED

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

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned 10.23 am
The meeting resumed 10.49 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.

21. Confidential Reports Nil

15. Strategy and Governance Reports Continued

15.3 Drought Communities Programme
Deferred from earlier in this meeting

Cr Altschwager declared a material conflict of interest due to being employed by the Loxton Chamber of Commerce and left the chamber at 10.52 am

Cr Thiele moved Cr Norton seconded
That $50,000 be allocated from the Drought Communities Programme funding to each of the Riverland West and Loxton Chambers of Commerce.

CARRIED

Cr Altschwager returned to the chamber at 11.00 am

Cr Norton moved Cr Flavel seconded
That the Mayor suspend part 2 of the Meeting Regulations.

CARRIED
The Mayor, with approval of two-thirds of the members present suspended the meeting procedures pursuant to Regulation 20(1) of the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 at 11.01 am to facilitate informal discussion in relation to the Drought Communities Programme.

**Cr Norton moved Cr Thiele seconded**
That part 2 of the Meeting Regulations be resumed.

**CARRIED**

The Mayor resumed meeting procedures pursuant to Regulation 20(1) of the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 at 12.11 pm

**15.3 Drought Communities Programme**

*Continued*

**Cr Flavel moved Cr Walker seconded**
That council endorse the listed projects under headings Infrastructure, Economic Development and Tourism for application for funding under the Drought Communities Programme:

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<td>Waikerie Cliff Top Walk &amp; Silo Art</td>
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<td>Paving Water Park to Oval</td>
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<td>Men’s Sheds solar 2x $4,000</td>
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<td>Smaller communities support ($5,000 cap)</td>
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The following projects were considered to have merit but were deferred pending more information and successful outcomes on the other projects and to allow future variations:

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The meeting closed at 12.14 pm

Minutes confirmed on …………………………………

Mayor Leon Stasinowsky