Minutes of the meeting of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie held on Friday 23 August 2019 at the Loxton Research Centre, Bookpurnong Road, Loxton commencing at 9.01 am

1. Present

Mayor Leon Stasinowsky, Crs Sonya Altschwager, Jody Flavel, Jordann Kleemann (from 9.02 am), Clive Matthews (from 9.02 am), Trevor Norton, Deb Thiele, Michael Vowles, Peter Walker (from 9.02 am) and Terry Wheeldon

Mr David Beaton (Chief Executive Officer), Mr Gordon Thomson (Director Corporate & Community Services), Mr Dom Perre (Road Construction and Capital Projects Coordinator) and Mrs Tanya Cregan (Executive Assistant)

2. Apologies Mr Greg Perry (Director Infrastructure Services)

3. On leave Cr Kym Webber

4. Community Question Time Nil

5. Member’s Declaration of Interest

Cr Altschwager advised that she has a perceived conflict of interest in item 16.4 entitled ‘DCLW Economic Development Report’ and that she will remain in the chamber and vote when this item is considered.

Cr Wheeldon advised that he has a perceived conflict of interest in item 21.1.1 entitled ‘CEO’s performance review’ and that he will remain in the chamber and vote when this item is considered.

Cr Flavel advised that he has a perceived conflict of interest in item 21.1.1 entitled ‘CEO’s performance review’ and that he will leave the chamber when this item is considered.

Crs Matthews, Kleemann and Walker entered the meeting at 9.02 am

Cr Norton advised that he has an actual conflict of interest in item 16.2 entitled ‘Down the River Community Support Funding update’ and that he will leave the chamber when this item is considered.

Cr Kleemann advised that she has an actual conflict of interest in item 16.3 entitled ‘Mobile vending – Waikerie electricity access and cost’ and that she will leave the chamber when this item is considered.
Cr Wheeldon moved Cr Matthews seconded
That the meeting adjourn for a site inspection of the Loxton Recreation Complex.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned 9.05 am
Meeting resumed 9.58 am

6. Confirmation of minutes of the council meeting held 19 July 2019

Cr Flavel moved Cr Matthews seconded
That the minutes of the District Council of Loxton Waikerie meeting held on 19 July 2019 be taken as read and confirmed.

CARRIED

7. Business Arising

8. Mayor’s Report

The following report was presented by the Mayor:

- Conducted Citizenship Ceremony, Loxton 19/7/19
- Conducted Citizenship Ceremony (4 people), Waikerie 23/7/19
- Riverland West Chamber of Commerce meeting, Waikerie 25/7/19
- Waikerie Senior Citizens 50th Birthday celebration event 6/8/19
- Riverland Primary Schools Music Festival – 7 & 8/8/19
- Hosted Riverland Local Government Forum, Loxton 7/8/19
- Riverland Hit n’ Miss Rally presentations, Waikerie 11/8/19
- Council Meeting and Chamber Etiquette training session, Renmark 12/8/19
- LGA Roads & Works Conference, Renmark 14-16/8/19
- Function with Hon Mark Coulton MP, Federal Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government and Tony Pasin MP, Renmark 15/8/19

Cr Vowles moved Cr Flavel 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 in July, Waikerie 25/7/19
- Riverland West Landcare meeting, Waikerie 29/7/19
- Waikerie Delivers Committee meeting, Waikerie 7/8/19
- LGA Roads and Works Conference, Renmark 14-16/8/19
- Riverland West Chamber of Commerce meeting, Waikerie 20/8/19

Cr Wheeldon
- Council meeting, Loxton 19/7/19
- Loxton Sporting Complex meeting with stakeholders, Loxton 30/7/19
- Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting, Loxton 6/8/19
- Riverland Local Government Social Indicators consultation, Loxton 7/8/19
- 2019 LGA Roads and Works Conference, Renmark 14-16/8/19:

I was fortunate to attend this conference along with the Mayor, 4 other councillors and 3 staff. A wide range of speakers from council practitioners, to business leaders and CEOs through to the Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government presented topics centred on the themes of better, safer roads; optimising council funds through new technologies as well as handling waste and developing infrastructure.

Some standout key points include:
- The need to be involved in a ‘circular economy’ using waste products such as car tyres, glass, printer cartridges etc in asphalt/reselling. This approach minimises new materials and limits the cost of processing recyclables. The call was for the use of 5% plus of recyclables. Greg has confirmed that 2 recent jobs in Waikerie had 20% RAP!
- Bollards, fencing, street furniture etc are other products to consider
- Decentralisation and building regions is a focus of this Federal Government
- DPTI are committing to 7 year road maintenance contracts and councils can be sub contractors. Future DPTI priority planning will be available on an ongoing basis on their website from February
- As a result of the 2 above points we need to have at least 3 major projects ‘shovel ready’
- Asset maintenance audit needs to remain current. One council codes all assets with Renew, Consolidate, Gift, Offload/ Demolish. Does Asset Committee need to meet more often?
One of the new technologies discussed was automated inspection of road surfaces using mobile phones fixed in a normal car with an app to record and drive at normal speed. The recording is uploaded and maps created with a condition rating every 3 metres. The report contains 30 types of defects and high definition to target road maintenance.

The addition of approximately 5% cement powder to unsealed road surfacing can stabilise some problem areas.

This conference is an excellent sharing, networking and learning opportunity.

Function with Hon Mark Coulton MP, Federal Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government and Tony Pasin MP, Renmark 15/8/19

Cr Norton
- Council meeting, Loxton 19/7/19
- Meeting with Mayor and CEO, Loxton 30/7/19
- Loxton Sporting Precinct Group Management Model discussions, Loxton 30/7/19
- Riverland Local Government Forum, Loxton 7/8/19
- Regional Development Australia Board meeting, Berri 8/8/19
- Tour of Dog Fence Road, Brown’s Well 13/8/18
- Riverland Regional Development Panel meeting, Waikerie 15/8/19
- Function with Hon Mark Coulton MP, Federal Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government and Tony Pasin MP, Renmark 15/8/19

Cr Altschwager
- Council Meeting, Loxton 19/7/19
- Regional Australia Institute meeting regarding Entrepreneurship in Regional SA Project, Loxton 31/8/19
- Draft Economic Development Report meeting with Gordon Thomson, Riverland West Chamber, Loxton 1/8/19
- Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting 6/8/19
- Riverland Local Government Forum, FRED Consulting Riverland Social Indicators Project, Loxton 7/8/19
- Business SA, Regional Chamber of Commerce Conference 8&9/8/19
- Arts on Terrace, Loxton 11/8/19
- LGA Council Meetings and Chamber Etiquette training, Renmark 12/8/19
- Loxton High School, School Council meeting 13/8/19
- Loxton Christmas Lights Committee meeting 15/8/19
- LGA Training - Tourism & Councils, Adelaide 16/8/19
- NBN Strategic Roundtable Forum, Berri 20/8/19
Cr Thiele
- View and discuss placement of ‘JOY, MERRY and PEACE’ Christmas decorations, Loxton 9/8/19
- Arts on Terrace 11/8/19
- Independent Learning Centre meeting 13/8/19
- Loxton Christmas Lights Committee meeting 15/8/19
- Loxton Hospital Health Advisory Council meeting 19/8/19

Cr Walker
- Rural Business Support Finance meeting, Adelaide 2/8/19
- Waikerie Delivers Committee meeting (Observer) 7/8/19
- Regional Development Board Murraylands & Riverland meeting, Berri 8/8/19
- LGA Roads & Works Conference, Renmark 14-16/8/19
- Rural Financial Counselling Services SA/NT Board meeting, Adelaide 16/8/19

Cr Flavel
- Loxton Retirement Village Committee meeting 25/7/19
- Loxton Sporting Precinct Group Management Model discussions, Loxton 30/7/19
- Meet and inspection of the ‘Dog Fence’ Road to look at widening and rubble option 13/8/19
- LGA Roads & Works Conference, Renmark 14-16/8/19
- Function with Hon Mark Coulton MP, Federal Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government and Tony Pasin MP, Renmark 15/8/19

Cr Vowles
- Loxton Sporting Precinct Group Management Model discussions, Loxton 30/7/19
- Riverland Local Government Forum, FRED Consulting Riverland Social Indicators Project, Loxton 7/8/19
- An evening with Federal Member for Barker Tony Pasin MP, Renmark 7/8/19
- Riverland Tourism Exchange hosted by Destination Riverland, Barmera Field Day site 8/8/19
- Waikerie Hit and Miss Rally, Lowbank 10/8/19
- Road inspection with Director Infrastructure Services 13/8/19
- Drinks with Hon Mark Coulton MP and Tony Pasin MP, Renmark 15/8/19
- Council meeting including an inspection of the Loxton Recreation Complex 23/8/19

Cr Matthews
- Waikerie Lights Committee 5/8/19 and 19/8/19
- Waikerie Landcare 9/8/19
- Drinks with Hon Mark Coulton MP and Tony Pasin MP, Renmark 15/8/19
- Waikerie Ageing Committee 19/8/19
- Waikerie Health Advisory Committee 20/8/19
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Cr Walker moved Cr Thiele seconded
That the elected member reports be received.

CARRIED

10. Questions without Notice

Cr Matthews moved Cr Norton seconded
That Cr Matthews questions without notice and responses be recorded.

CARRIED

10.1 Water Pump Infrastructure

Cr Matthews:
What is the current status of the old water pump infrastructure on the Waikerie Riverfront next to boat ramp 1? When can we expect it to be removed and relocated to the new shed adjacent the caravan park?

The Road Construction and Capital Projects Coordinator responded that ‘Total Eden’ are awaiting delivery of the pump, expected to arrive in the second week of September. The new stainless steel frame is on standby awaiting installation of the pump.

10.2 Waikerie Stormwater Management Plan

Cr Matthews:
What is the current status of the Waikerie Stormwater Management plan adjacent Hart Lagoon?

The Road Construction and Capital Projects Coordinator responded that he and the Director Infrastructure Services will meet with a representative of ‘Southfront’ on 3 September to discuss this matter, including water balance modelling and calculations of basins and inflow sizes, to assist finalise the Scheme Optimisation tasks.

It is proposed that a draft design concept be prepared for consideration at a future council meeting.
10.3 **Houseboat Management Plan**

_Cr Matthews:_

*What is the current status of the Houseboat Management Plan?*

The Director Corporate and Community Services and Manager Environmental Services provided the following report on the progress of the Houseboat Management Plan:

Preliminary work has commenced on the Houseboat Management Plan, which in time is proposed to be an addendum to the Boating Facilities Plan. This approach is suggested as there are many synergies between the two Plans.

Once the scope of the Houseboat Management Plan is finalised, further work will be dependent upon the Council's decision's about

1. whether to resume the lease over a portion of the Habel’s Bend marina (note the lease expires 30 September 2021 – a separate report will be presented to Council)
2. the final design for the Waikerie Riverfront masterplan, including potential relocation or removal of berths at the Waikerie marina
3. the results of further investigations for the proposed Moorook marina (noting this is a separate project in the Annual Business Plan)
4. services to be provided at each marina site, including potential for the provision of electricity, CWMS, potable water, pontoons or similar and secure car parking for houseboat users.
5. bank stabilisation issues

In addition, the following tasks need to be undertaken

6. surveying and formal delineation of the existing marinas (noting the comment about Waikerie and Moorook, above)
7. review of the existing houseboat licence conditions
8. review of existing tenure conditions – permanent or overnight or limited stay (potentially a number of nights to align with Moorook Recreation Grounds camping – also an issue with Habel's Bend lease, above)
9. a review of Council’s By Laws declarations in relation in regard to use of Council land re casual houseboat mooring
10. formalising casual mooring opportunities in the Council area and clearly identifying the number of sites and conditions of stay
The budget for the Houseboat Management Plan for the 2019/20 year is $25,000. This will enable the points 1 and 6-10, above, to be delivered this year. Once the Houseboat Management Plan is a part of the Boating Facilities Plan, any required works identified by the Council can be placed in a priority order with other boating facilities.

The budget for the investigations for establishing a marina at Moorook is a carry over project, with a budget of $15,000. Preliminary works will commence shortly with an inspection by the Manager Environmental Services and Director Infrastructure Services, with Deputy Mayor Norton.

11. Questions on Notice (without debate)

11.1 Truck unloading in Francis Street, Waikerie

Cr Webber:
Could you please update council and the community on the current and future plans for safe truck unloading in Francis Street, Waikerie?

Response as provided by the Chief Executive Officer

Have met with the Waikerie Hotel and Waikerie Foodland with a general consensus on a process to move forward as an outcome. Met with Melissa Mellen and new plans should be available before the end of August on a design of a one way street that takes into account the needs of the Hotel and Foodland.

Have arranged an engineering survey for Francis Street to determine the levels. New plans will require a new entrance to the carpark, but may exclude the need to remove a tree and alter the footpath.

Ms Mellen has provided a reference for a civil engineer to look at solution similar to the Coombe and Stanley Streets intersection.

11.2 Main water pipeline to Ramco Oval

Cr Webber:
What is the current status, costing and timeframe for replacing the main water pipeline to Ramco Oval?
Response as provided by the Chief Executive Officer

I met with the CEO of the Central Irrigation Trust (CIT) on Monday 19 August 2019.

CIT advised they will provide a new design for council’s requirements and CIT will liaise with council’s Infrastructure Officer, John Sylvia.

CIT have indicated they will take ownership of the pipe, including future maintenance.

12. Deputations/Guests Nil

13. Notice of Motion

13.1 Establishment of Waikerie Recreation Grounds Committee

Cr Matthews moved Cr Walker seconded
That pursuant to Section 41 (1) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Waikerie Recreation and Grounds Committee be established for the Waikerie and Ramco area based on the following terms of reference:

1. Purpose of the Committee

The purpose of the committee is to assist the Council in relation to recreation grounds and facilities under the care control and management of Council within the Waikerie and Ramco townships and general surrounds, specifically to

- provide recommendations to Council for their long term strategic management and development
- undertake the development and coordination of identified community projects
- provide a conduit to Council for the community

In relation to the purposes of the committee, ‘recreation grounds and facilities’ refer to any existing land and associated facilities used for recreational purposes and reserve dedicated for recreational use within the geographical boundaries of the townships of Waikerie and Ramco within the area contained within the 80 kilometre speed limit postings.
Median strips, road verges and footpaths are to be considered only as they relate to the vegetation and planting management and strategy purposes of the committee

Specific objectives of the committee include:

1. Develop, review and recommend to Council an annual business plan outlining actions and measurable outcomes to the Committee purposes

2. Preparation of a long term vegetation management and planting strategy for the areas within the management scope of the committee

3. Preparation of a walking trail / bicycle trail(s) strategy

4. Initiate proposals for the improvement of the amenity of the Waikerie Ramco area

5. Develop a waterproofing / water saving strategy for the areas under the management of the committee

6. Encourage and foster the continued history of community involvement in the presentation of the towns, including but not limited to the involvement of schools and other community based organizations in the development and ongoing management of identified areas

7. Consider other plans and strategies for complementary projects into the committee’s strategies (ie Riverfront Development Masterplan Concept)

8. Preparation and review of a long term development, management and rationalization strategy for playground facilities

9. Preparation and review of a long term management strategy for the recreation grounds and facilities under the management of the committee

10. Preparation and review of strategies to enhance the visual appearance of all entrances to Waikerie
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Clarification: Where confusion exists between this committee and the Waikerie Delivers Committee as to the area of responsibility then the Waikerie Delivers Committee will be deemed to be the appropriate committee.

2. Membership

2.1 The committee shall consist of not less than seven (7) or no more than ten (10) members, at least one of which must be an elected member of Council.

2.2 Members shall be appointed or removed by resolution of Council and may consist of or include persons who are not members of the Council.

2.3 The Mayor will at all times be an 'ex-officio' member of the Committee but will not be taken to be included in the membership of the Committee unless actually present at a meeting of the Committee.

2.4 Committee members shall have the relevant skills to meet the committee’s purposes.

2.5 Members shall hold office from the date of their appointment, for a term until the first meeting of Council following the next general Council election, and shall be eligible for re-appointment.

2.6 The Presiding member of the Committee shall be appointed by Council.

2.7 If a Committee member is absent for three or more consecutive meetings without apology, then the Council may appoint another person, to replace that committee member.

2.8 Council will provide administrative support to the committee via the positions of Director Infrastructure Services, Manager Parks and Gardens Development and the Infrastructure Services Clerical Officer, all of which shall have no voting entitlement.
3. Quorum

A quorum shall consist of half the appointed members plus one, but shall not include the Mayor unless actually present.

4. Members Liability

No civil liability shall attach to a member of a committee for an honest act or omission in the exercise performance or discharge or purported exercise, performance or discharge of the members or committees functions or duties. A liability that would but for the foregoing attach to a member of a committee, attaches instead to the Council.

5. Conflict of Interest

The provisions of sections 73, 74 and 75 of the Local Government Act 1999 will apply to all members of the committee, in relation to meetings and any business or proposed business of the committee.

6. Register of Interest

The provision of Section 74 of the Local Government Act 1999 will not apply to members of Committees.

7. Proceedings of the Committee

7.1 The committee shall be subject to the provisions of the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2000, Part 3.

7.2 The Committee shall meet at least quarterly, and whenever requested by any of the following:
  • The Council
  • The Chair of the Committee
  • Any two members jointly

7.3 The Order of Business of each meeting shall be:-
  • Opening and Welcome
  • Apologies
  • Minutes of Previous Meeting
  • Business Arising
  • Correspondence
8. Reporting & Accountability

A copy of the Minutes of every meeting, together with a financial statement for the projects attributed to the committee shall be provided by the Council for inclusion in the Agenda of the next Council Meeting. Where a particular matter requires the specific resolution or the attention of the Council, the minutes will be accompanied by a report from the Executive Officer.

The Committee is accountable to the District Council of Loxton Waikerie in all things.

9. Annual Business Plan and Budget

The Committee is responsible to develop an Annual Business Plan including budget requirements, & submit these to Council in April each year. The committee shall undertake a quarterly review of the budget in conjunction with the Council's quarterly review.

The committee shall provide a report to Council on an annual basis detailing the outcomes it has achieved in relation to its purposes and annual business plan.

10. Disputes

Should a dispute arise over any matter, the decision of the Council will be final.

11. Insurance

Council shall be responsible for the insurance of its own properties, contents and liability, insofar as it has an insurable interest. Where an asset is occupied or used by a third party, that body shall be responsible for the insurance of its own goods & chattels and any liability which it may incur as the result of the use or occupancy of Councils premises.
12. Volunteers

The Committee shall if using the services of any volunteers:

- Maintain a register of volunteers
- Provide each volunteer with a volunteer’s information kit.
- Ensure safe work practices are undertaken and adhered to

13. Assets

All assets and property which the committee cares for, controls or manages shall be and remain the property of the Council including any improvements, fixture and fittings located in or on the facility at any time irrespective of whether the Committee or the Council purchased or installed them.

14. Amendments to Terms of Reference

Council may at any time amend or alter these terms of reference by resolution of the Council.

15. Powers & Duties

The Committee has no delegated Regulatory function on behalf of Council.

Expenditure of monies on behalf of Council within the approved committee budget & annual Business Plan submitted to and approved by Council will be undertaken by delegated authority by the Director Infrastructure Services on behalf of and in consultation with the committee. No power is given to the committee to expend funds.

The Committee has no power to instruct or direct Council staff or contractors.

16. Review of Terms of Reference

The Committee shall undertake a review of these terms of reference at the first meeting following the 12 month anniversary of the adoption of same by Council. The Chief Executive Officer shall assist the committee in the review.

CARRIED
13.2 Installation of a security system at the Waikerie Nature Play Park

Cr Matthews moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council investigate and consider the installation of a security system for the Waikerie Nature Play Park and Lions Park.  

CARRIED

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

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 10.36 am
Meeting resumed at 10.54 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.

14. Motion without Notice

14.1 Loxton Christmas Lights Community Group

Cr Thiele moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That following the acceptance of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by the Loxton Christmas Lights Committee to be replaced by the Loxton Christmas Lights Community Group (non-section 41) that Council formally endorse the MOU.

That upon execution of the MOU council formally dissolve the Loxton Christmas Lights Section 41 Committee and thank members for their contribution.

CARRIED

15. Strategy & Governance Reports

15.1 Loxton Recreation Complex – User Group request for Mezzanine Level Fitout

Cr Thiele moved Cr Norton seconded
That the Mayor suspend part 2 of the meeting regulations pursuant to regulation 20(1) of the Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013 to facilitate informal discussion on this matter.

CARRIED
The Mayor with the approval of two-thirds of the members present suspended the meeting procedures at 10.58 am

Cr Norton moved Cr Thiele seconded
That part 2 of the meeting regulations be resumed.  

CARRIED

The Mayor resumed meeting procedures at 11.42 am

Cr Norton moved Cr Flavel seconded
That council investigate and consider engaging a consultant to assist in developing a management model and a fit out plan for the mezzanine of the Loxton Recreation Complex to be funded from the project contingency.  

CARRIED

Cr Thiele left the meeting at 11.45 am

15.2 Waikerie Holiday Park – removal of trees
Cr Vowles moved Cr Walker seconded
1. That Council notes that three trees were removed from the Waikerie Holiday Park without authority and outside the lease agreement.

2. That Council advise the leasee that they are required to seek approval from the Council before the removal of any standing trees and that Council would require evidence from the leasee's arborist to support the removal, in that application for approval.

3. That the leasee’s offer to plant additional trees be accepted but that the trees selected should be advanced trees.  

CARRIED

16. Corporate & Community Services Reports

16.1 Loxton District Bowling Club Rate Review
Cr Thiele returned to the meeting at 11.47 am

Cr Wheeldon moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council:
1. Note that a further report on the status of rates and other fees charged to privately owned community and sporting clubs across the District will be presented to Council at its September 2019 meeting.

2. Note that the Loxton District Bowling Club has agreed to pay outstanding service charges and NRM levies accumulated from 2016-17 totalling $1,804.00.

CARRIED

Cr Thiele moved
That council agree to writing off half of the outstanding accumulated general rates since 2016-17.

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Cr Wheeldon moved Cr Norton seconded
That council agree to writing off outstanding accumulated general rates since 2016-17 totalling $8,235.76.

CARRIED

Cr Kleemann left the meeting at 12.10 pm

Cr Altschwager moved Cr Norton seconded
That council agree to writing off outstanding fines and interest accumulated since 2016-17 totalling $759.51.

CARRIED

Cr Kleemann returned to the meeting at 12.12 pm

16.2 Down the River Community Support funding update

Cr Norton declared an actual conflict of interest due to his wife being the author of the correspondence and left the meeting at 12.13 pm

Cr Vowles moved Cr Walker seconded
That Council receive the report ‘Down the River Community Support Funding update’ and return the funds to general revenue.

CARRIED

Cr Norton returned to the meeting at 12.15 pm
16.3 Mobile Vending – Waikerie electricity access and cost

Cr Kleemann declared an actual conflict of interest due to owning a mobile vending business at Waikerie and left the meeting at 12.15 pm

Cr Matthews moved Cr Wheeldon seconded
That council:

1. Note the report.
2. Set the electricity rates for Mobile Vendors at the Waikerie Riverfront at $10 per day.
3. Agree to provide a power box for mobile vending in close proximity to the Waikerie mobile vending location.

CARRIED

Cr Kleemann returned to the meeting at 12.24 pm
Cr Flavel left the meeting at 12.24 pm

16.4 DCLW Economic Development Report

Cr Altschwager declared a perceived conflict of interest due to being employed by the Loxton Chamber of Business and remained in the meeting.

Cr Flavel returned to the meeting at 12.27 pm

Cr Thiele moved Cr Walker seconded
That council adopt the draft Economic Development Report and a copy be placed on council's website.

CARRIED

16.5 Loxton Cemetery fee waiver

Cr Thiele moved Cr Matthews seconded
That council agree to write off a total of $2,944.00 being outstanding plot fees associated with the Loxton Cemetery.

CARRIED

17. Infrastructure Services Reports

17.1 Waikerie Cemetery Gazebo
Cr Walker moved Cr Flavel seconded
That council:
1. Receive the report.

2. Carry over the remaining unspent money of $12,000 from the 2018/2019 Waikerie Cemetery Upgrades.

3. Fund the completion of a new niche wall and gazebo from the $12,000 in unspent money from 2018/2019 and an additional $3,000 from the annual Waikerie Building Maintenance Budget.

18. Income/Investment Statement

Cr Thiele moved Cr Matthews seconded
That the Investment Statement presented as at 31 July 2019 be received.

CARRIED

19. Reports and Recommendations of Committees

19.1.2 Loxton Retirement Village – minutes of meeting held 25 July 2019

Item 7.2 – Refurbishment Financial Statement

Cr Norton moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council support that $300,000 from the Capital Account be transferred to the Refurbishment Account.

CARRIED

Cr Vowles moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council endorse the recommendation from the Loxton Retirement Village Committee meeting held 25 July 2019 being:

Item 9.3 – Consultancy Report

That the Loxton Retirement Village Committee recommend to council that the Quantity Surveyor Report be updated and as part of the review the percentage of retention for each of the refurbishment fund and capital accounts also be reviewed.

CARRIED
19.3.1 Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee – minutes of meeting held 6 August 2019

Cr Vowles moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That council endorse the recommendation from the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee meeting held 6 August 2019:

Item 7.1 – Proposed truck parking bays

That the Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee recommend that council investigate the maintenance, relevance and upgrade of information bays in Loxton and parking access for caravans, motorhomes, trucks etc. That the Loxton Community Centre be involved in discussions for upgrading the information bays due to their current involvement in keeping them maintained.

CARRIED

19.5.1 Waikerie Delivers Committee – minutes of meeting held 7 August 2019

Cr Norton moved Cr Thiele seconded
That council endorse the recommendation from the Waikerie Delivers Committee meeting held 7 August 2019:

Item 9.1 - Waikerie Riverfront & Trails Draft Concept Master Plan

Recommendation to houseboat management plan that it consider moving the fuel depot and investigate feasibility of relocation to the other side of the river.

Cr Altschwager left the meeting at 1.04 pm

CARRIED

Cr Altschwager returned to the meeting at 1.07 pm

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

19.1 Loxton Retirement Village Committee
Minutes of meeting held 25/7/19

19.2 Loxton Christmas Lights Committee
Minutes of meeting held 19/7/19

19.3 Loxton Recreation Grounds Committee
Minutes of meeting held 6/8/19
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19.4 Loxton North Recreation Grounds Committee
Minutes of meeting held 5/8/19

19.5 Pines Management Committee
Minutes of meeting held 5/8/19

19.6 Waikerie Delivers Committee
Minutes of meeting held 7/8/19

CARRIED

20. Information Only Reports

Cr Thiele moved Cr Altschwager seconded
That the Information Only reports including late reports 20.2.4 entitled ‘Loxton Community Cluster’ and 20.3.1 entitled ‘Water use report’ be received.

CARRIED

20.3.1 Water Use Report

Cr Thiele moved Cr Flavel seconded
That a further report be provided that separates Capital and Operational costs for Water Use.

CARRIED

Cr Altschwager moved Cr Matthews seconded
That the meeting adjourn for lunch.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 1.21 pm

The Chief Executive Officer, Director Corporate & Community Services and Road Construction and Capital Projects Coordinator left the meeting at 1.21 pm

The meeting resumed at 1.51 pm
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21. Confidential Reports

21.1 Strategy & Governance

21.1.1 CEO Performance Appraisal

Cr Wheeldon declared a perceived conflict of interest due to his close relationship with the Chief Executive Officer and his family and remained in the chamber.

Cr Flavel declared a perceived conflict of interest due to his close relationship with the Chief Executive Officer and his family and left the meeting at 1.52 pm

Cr Matthews moved Cr Wheeldon seconded

That this report be considered in confidence pursuant to Sections 90 (2) and 90 (3) (a) of the Local Government Act 1999 as it contains information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead), with the exception of the Executive Assistant.

CARRIED

Cr Flavel and the Chief Executive Officer returned to the meeting at 2.41 pm

Cr Matthews moved Cr Walker seconded

That the Chief Executive Officer's priorities for the next 12 months be:

1. The finalisation of the strategic and corporate plans for the next 4 years (timeframe 3 months)
2. Implementation of greater depth and responsibility in the reporting of all council projects over $20,000 with reporting each two months. This will give elected members greater knowledge and scrutiny over these projects (timeframe 2 months)
3. The development of council's Asset Management Plans and then the 4 year renewal budgets. This will give greater control and strategic input from elected members into the long term financial capacity building and service delivery for council
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4. Continued monitoring of the organisational structure with the implementation of the funded part-time media/public relations position and the technical officer for infrastructure to implement the asset management into council’s GIS software
5. Continued focus on opportunities through the Riverland G3 Alliance
6. Continue to reduce or avoid increase to total employment costs
7. Development of a management model for the Loxton Recreation Complex (high priority)
8. Commence to identify/develop at least 3 ‘shovel ready’ projects (timeframe 3 months)
9. Freeholding of the Loxton Riverfront Holiday Park CARRIED

Cr Norton moved Cr Vowles seconded
That the Chief Executive Officer’s remuneration be increased by CPI in accordance with the terms of his contract.

That the Chief Executive Officer be eligible to accrue a Roster Day Off per 4 week cycle in accordance with council’s policy. CARRIED

21.2 Corporate & Community Services Nil
21.3 Infrastructure Services Nil

22. Closure The meeting closed at 2.51 pm

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

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Mayor Leon Stasinowsky