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12 March 2012

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CITY OF ARMADALE

MINUTES

OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ARMADALE CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON MONDAY, 12 MARCH 2012 COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Mayor, Cr Zelones, declared the meeting open at 7.00 pm.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE (previously approved)

PRESENT:

Mayor, H A Zelones JP presided over	River Ward
Deputy Mayor, Cr R Butterfield	River Ward
Cr G A Best	Neerigen Ward
Cr M Geary	Neerigen Ward
Cr M S Northcott	Palomino Ward
Cr L Sargeson	Palomino Ward
Cr J A Stewart	Heron Ward
Cr D M Shaw	Heron Ward
Cr K Busby	Minnawarra Ward
Cr M H Norman	Minnawarra Ward
Cr J H Munn JP CMC	Lake Ward
Cr C M Wielinga	Jarraah Ward
Cr G Nixon	Jarraah Ward

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr R S Tame	Chief Executive Officer
Mr I MacRae	Executive Director Development Services
Ms Y Coyne	Executive Director Community Services
Mr K Ketterer	Executive Director Technical Services
Mrs S D'Souza	CEO's Executive Assistant

Public: 2

Press: 1

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Leave of absence previously granted to Cr J MacDonald.

APOLOGIES:

Nil

**3 ADVICE OF RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS
TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Questions raised related to Araluen Botanic Park Springtime Festival 2012 and associated traffic management.

Mr K Watkins – 68 McNess Drive, Roleystone

Q-1 During the last few years flow of traffic has improved around the Araluen Botanic Park during the various festivals. Will Council agree that this is because of professional traffic controllers and the Youth Camp across the road making its facilities available for additional parking?

The Mayor advised that there is a report to Council regarding these traffic management matters which will be discussed later during the meeting and a decision made.

Mr Tony Pilkington – 312 Croyden Road, Roleystone

Q-1 Has just received responses to questions put to the Technical Services Committee Meeting and has made available (tonight) copies of correspondence from the Minister for Planning, the Hon John Day. Will Councillors be made aware of these letters?

The Mayor advised that Councillors had also received the responses to Mr Pilkington's questions tonight. The Chief Executive Officer confirmed that he has viewed the letters from the Minister and would forward them on to Councillors in due course.

Q-2 Are Councillors aware of an article by the previous Mayor in August 2003 titled "Festival impact limited"?

The Mayor advised that the economic benefit of this event is just one consideration in assessing this application.

- Q-3 Is Council aware that in 2011 correspondence was sent from the City to DEC and Araluen Botanic Park wherein these organisations were invited to make application for approval of a traffic management scheme to facilitate conduct of a tulip festival in 2012?

The Mayor advised that when enquiries are made on the feasibility of conducting special events it is not uncommon for the City to invite "formal" applications.

The Chief Executive advised that he was not aware of any such correspondence but the matter would be investigated.

Officers have since confirmed that upon approach from DEC in November 2011 meeting was convened and DEC were advised to submit a formal application to Council for consideration. The report submitted to Committee and Council addresses that application.

- Q-4 Has this Council been lobbied by a group called Friends of the Park?

The Mayor advised that he was not aware of any such group.

- Q-5 Will Council employ Rangers or will the traffic management plan include controllers to escort residents to their place of residence during these periods of long queues of traffic on Croyden and Armenti Roads?

The Mayor advised that he was not aware if the traffic management plan included controllers to assist traffic to private residences.

- Q-6 At the Committee meeting it was mentioned that a quick decision was required to allow planting to commence but understand that planting is not required to commence till May. Is this matter being expedited to allow for commercial decisions to be made?

The Mayor advised that an application has been made and, and quite appropriately, officers have prepared a report for Council for prompt consideration.

In closing, Mr Pilkington extended an apology to Cr Butterfield as Chair of Technical Services Committee for his brusqueness at the Committee meeting on 7th March 2012.

Question time closed at 7.20pm

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5.1 Request for Leave of Absence – Cr Zelones

MOVED Cr Stewart that Council receive and grant the request for leave of absence from Cr Zelones for the period Thursday 3rd May 2012 to Sunday 3rd June 2012 inclusive (includes 2 Ordinary Council Meetings – 14 May and 28 May).

52/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

6 PETITIONS

6.1 Installation of Speed Humps – Grasmere Place

Cr Shaw tabled a non-conforming petition signed by 21 residents of Grasmere Place, the prayer of which reads:

“This is to partition (sic) for speed humps to be installed to protect the residents – children – and pets. As we have a Kindergarten and Health Facility in our street we need to have the traffic flow speed controlled as the speed is being exceeded and often in a dangerous manner.”

MOVED Cr Shaw that Council receive and refer the petition to the Technical Services Committee.

53/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 PREVIOUS ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON 27 FEBRUARY 2012

MOVED Cr Northcott that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 February 2012 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

54/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- On Tuesday 28th February the Mayor attended an “Economic Development Meet the Neighbours Day” at the City of Gosnells Civic Centre. He met with representatives from the south-east metro area to discuss matters relating to economic development.
- Later the same day the Mayor attended the WA Planning Commission meeting.
- On Tuesday 6th March 2012 the Mayor attended another meeting of the WA Planning Commission relating to financial planning.

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

- On Wednesday 29th February 2012 the Mayor along with Cr Butterfield attended the SE Metropolitan Zone Meeting at the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale.
- On Wednesday 7th March the Mayor attended the State Council Meeting where recommendations from the various Zones were discussed and adopted.
- On Thursday 1st March 2012 the Mayor met with a couple of residents who are concerned about the deterioration of their local area and the increase in anti-social behaviour.
- On Friday 2nd March 2012 the Mayor met with Dr Tony Buti, Member for Armadale in relation to security issues at Champion Lakes.
- On Thursday 8th March the Mayor along with Cr Wielinga met with representatives from Men’s Shed and others in regard to Master Planning for Cross Park.
- On Thursday 8th March 2012 Cr Northcott represented Council at the South East Regional Recreation Advisory Group’s workshop at the Town of Victoria Park in regard to Regional Recreation Facilities Strategy.

DEVELOPING AND MAINTAINING RELATIONSHIPS

- On Friday 2nd March the Mayor and CEO met with Senior Sgt John Bouwman from the Armadale Police to discuss issues relevant to the security of Armadale and its residents. A public forum is to be held in April at which the Police Commissioner Karl O’Callaghan will be in attendance.

- Later the same day the Mayor attended a function at the Aquatic Centre to celebrate completion of the student Art Project.
- On Saturday 3rd March 2012 the Mayor attended and presented trophies at the Dale Little Athletics Meet held in Morgan Park.
- On Thursday 8th March 2012 the Mayor met with Mr Phillip De Ronchi regarding restoration of the organ at St Mary's Anglican Church in Kelmscott.
- On Friday 9th March 2012 the Mayor along with a few other councillors attended a function to farewell Nathan Cain, Executive Manager Business Services.

MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

- On Friday 9th March 2012 the Mayor and a number of councillors attended the Australian Rowing Championships & National Rowing Regatta Cocktail Party held at Champion Lakes Regatta Centre. This was attended by a number of senior rowing officials who took the opportunity to express their appreciation with the facility and the arrangements.
- On Sunday 11th March the Mayor along with Crs Norman and Northcott attended the Rotary Club fund raising event Wheels for Hope in Minnowarra Park. Armadale Mower World set off from Perth to Kalgoorlie on a ride-on mower.
- The same afternoon the Mayor attended Rowing Australia's Governor's Luncheon at Champion Lakes Regatta Centre.

GOVERNANCE

- On Tuesday 28th February the Mayor and other councillors attended a workshop in the Committee Room in regard to the Review of Wards & Representation.
- On Monday 12th March 2012 the Mayor did an interview with Kerry Reid on Noongar Radio promoting Minnowarra Festival.
- Later that same day the Mayor and other councillors attended a Workshop in the Committee Room for an update on the Civic Precinct Project.

9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN – WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

10 REPORTS

10.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Report of the Community Services Committee of 6 March 2012.

CORRECTIONS:

Cover page The suffix "JP CMC" to be added after Cr Munn's name
Page 11 The word "Officers" has been misspelled in the item heading

MOVED Cr Stewart that the report, subject to the above corrections, be received.

55/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

BUSINESS ARISING:

Nil

MOVED Cr Stewart that Recommendations C12/3/12 to C16/3/12 be adopted.

56/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

10.2 TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Report of the Technical Services Committee of 7 March 2012.

CORRECTIONS:

Cover Page Cr Stewart's name to be recorded as "Cr J A Stewart"
Page 8 In the 3rd and 4th para the Recommendation No. CS87/10/87
should read "CS/10/07"
Page 9 In the 1st para of Committee Comments the date "12 April
2012" to read "April 2012"

MOVED Cr Butterfield that the report, subject to the above corrections, be received.

57/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

BUSINESS ARISING:

Recommendation T16/3/12 – Item 1.3 – Araluen Botanic Park Springtime Festival 2012 – Traffic Management

Cr Nixon declared a financial interest in Recommendation T16/3/12 on the basis that he is employed at the Araluen Botanic Park.

Cr Nixon left the meeting at 7.30pm

The Chief Executive Officer provided advice to the meeting that part (1) of Recommendation T16/3/12 is redundant and not required. Accordingly Council was advised to amend the Recommendation by deleting part (1) and renumbering the remaining parts. With the removal of part (1) an absolute majority resolution was not required for the amended motion.

MOVED Cr Stewart that part (1) of Recommendation T16/3/12 be deleted and that parts (2) and (3) be renumbered as parts (1) and (2) respectively.

58/3/2012 AMENDMENT not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (12-0)

MOVED Cr Stewart that Recommendation T16/3/12, as amended, i.e. Parts (1) and (2) be adopted.

OPPOSED Cr Sargeson

SECONDED Cr Butterfield

59/3/2012 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED (10-2)

Cr Sargeson requested that his opposing vote to Resolution 59/3/12 be recorded.

Cr Nixon returned to the meeting at 7.45pm

Recommendation T19/3/12 – Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) State Conference and Local Government Reform Dialogue – March 2012

MOVED Cr Butterfield that Part (1) of Recommendation T19/3/12 be as follows:

1. No nomination be made to attend the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia State Conference, to be held from 14-16 March at the Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle.

60/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

MOVED Cr Butterfield that parts (2) and (3) of Recommendation T19/3/12 be adopted.

61/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

MOVED Cr Butterfield that Recommendations T16/3/12 to T20/3/12, except those already dealt with, be adopted.

62/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

10.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Report of the Chief Executive Officer as at 8 March 2012.

MOVED Cr Best that the report be received.

63/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

10.3.1 Councillors' Information Bulletin – Issue No.4/2012

MOVED Cr Northcott:

That Council acknowledge receipt of Issue No. 4/2012 of the Information Bulletin.

64/3/2012 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

11 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

Nil

13 MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO STANDING COMMITTEES – WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Cr Munn That the matter of Citizenship Ceremonies be referred to the Standing Order House Advisory Group

14 MATTERS REQUIRING CONFIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION

Nil

15 CLOSURE

The Mayor, Cr Zelones, declared the meeting closed at 7.49 pm

MINUTES CONFIRMED THIS 26th DAY OF MARCH 2012

MAYOR