



SHIRE OF KONDININ

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held 21st July 2021

Order of Business

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING /ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Shire President Cr Meeking read the statement of commitment to Indigenous Australians, welcomed those present and declared the meeting open at 3.30pm.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillors:	Cr S Meeking	Cr B Browning	Cr B Gangell
	Cr M James	Cr T Mulcahy	Cr D Pool
	Cr G Lynch	Cr S Jones	Cr K Mouritz
Staff:	David Burton (CEO)	Vince Bugna (MCS)	Tory Young (MPA)
	Mark Burgess (MoW)	Rachael Hendry (Minute Taker)	
Apologies:	Nil		

3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLUTION #3769

Moved: Cr Mouritz Seconded: Cr James

That Cr Browning be granted a leave of absence for the August 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting.
Carried 9/0

6. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS/INFORMATION REPORT

7.1 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING – 16th June, 2021

RESOLUTION #3770

Moved: Cr James Seconded: Cr Mouritz

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 16th June, 2021 be confirmed.
Carried 9/0

7.2 INFORMATION REPORT – JUNE 2021

RESOLUTION #3771

Moved: Cr Gangell Seconded: Cr Jones

That the Council receive and accept the Information Report prior to this meeting.
Carried 9/0

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBERS WITHOUT DISCUSSION

9. ITEMS

9.1 MANAGER OF PLANNING & ASSETS

- 9.1.1 Consideration to Purchase NO. 51 (LOT97) Jones Street, Kondinin
- 9.1.2 Hyden Railway Barracks

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

- 9.2.1 List of Accounts
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9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

- 9.4.1 GECZ WALGA Meeting 28th June 2021
- 9.4.2 Transfer Station Fees for Public Holidays
- 9.4.3 Councillor Training 2020/2021
- 9.4.4 Property Crossovers & Rural Gateways Policy Trans-003
- 9.4.5 Tier 3 Rail Support
- 9.4.6 Hyden Centenary Celebrations Support

9.5 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

See Information Report

9.1 MANAGER OF PLANNING & ASSETS

9.1.1 CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE NO. 51 (LOT 97) JONES STREET, KONDININ

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Manager of Planning & Assets
Disclosure of Interest: Impartiality Interest – David Burton
Vince Bugna
Mark Burgess

Date: 11th July 2021

Attachments:

1. Property Valuation
2. Property Information from Real Estate Agent
3. Shire Housing Comparison

This matter will be considered behind closed doors in accordance with Section 5.23(2) (c) and (e) of the Local Government Act as it relates to a contract which may be entered into and information that has a commercial value to a person.

RESOLUTION #3772

Moved: Cr Jones **Seconded:** Cr Mulcahy

That the meeting be closed in accordance with Section 5.23(2)(c) and (e) of the Local Government Act 1995
Carried 9/0

RESOLUTION #3773

Moved: Cr Mulcahy **Seconded:** Cr James

That Council:

- 1) **APPROVES** to make an offer of \$115,000 to purchase No. 51 (Lot 97) Jones Street, Kondinin.
- Carried 9/0

Summary

This report is to present to Council consideration the purchase of No. 51 (Lot 97) Jones Street, Kondinin and to provide a general context to the Shire's staff housing situation.

Background

In recent years quality housing available to purchase and/or lease in Kondinin has become increasingly limited. With the possibility of the wind farm coming closer to fruition increasing need for suitable rentals in the Shire, the age and condition of some of the Shire's existing housing and demand for future workers to the Shire both employed with the Shire and in the public and private sectors has heightened the need for the Shire to consider options to provide quality accommodation in the short to medium term.

The Shire currently has 15 staff houses that it owns and manages. A number of Shire employees also live in their own homes, however this is subject to change with staffing turn over. A more detailed Housing Plan is currently being prepared by the Shire's Manager Planning and Assets, however the table below provides a general indication on dwelling type and age; condition, indicative maintenance and service costs spent on each property per annum, the fair value of each property and a recommendation for future management.

ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	CONDITION	OCCUPANCY	COMMENT
2 Hynes Street HYDEN	c.2007 Shire purchased in 2011 existing brick and metal clad 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning	Fair to good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$6,000 Actual \$2409 (Water, Insurance, ESL)	Outdoor crew (1)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$166,749.52
37 Radbourne Drive HYDEN	c.1999 Constructed new by Shire brick and metal clad 4 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split and evaporative air conditioning	Fair to good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$10,000 Actual \$6644.29 (Water, ESL, Insurance, Minor Maintenance, cleaning for new tenant)	Outdoor Crew (1)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation; <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$265,582.49
35 Smith Loop HYDEN CDO position	c.2012 Shire installed transportable fibro and metal clad 3 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning	Fair to good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$6,000 Actual \$2,409 (Water, Insurance, ESL)	CDO position – currently vacant	Some issues with cracking of joins in transportable. Otherwise serves its purpose. Recommendation; <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$167,076.42
46 Graham Street KONDININ	c. 1969 Shire constructed as new fibro and metal clad 3 bedroom 1 bathroom dwelling on steel / timber footings with timber floors	Poor condition. Considerable maintenance / capital expenditure to improve condition. 2020/2021 Budget \$10,000 Actual \$6884.37 (Water, ESL, Insurance, Minor Maintenance, new carpet,	Outdoor crew (1) – temporary	Whilst some basic improvements have been made to this dwelling, to bring up to a good standard, it would require considerable work including fixing cracks in walls, new split system air conditioning, new bathroom and painting throughout. Recommendation; <i>Sell in short term.</i>

		cleaning, gardening).		FAIR VALUE \$112,837
4 Wignell Street KONDININ	c. 1965 Former State Housing Shire purchased in 1991 fibro and metal clad 3 bedroom 1 bathroom dwelling on brick and timber footings with concrete floors and evaporative air conditioning	Poor condition. Considerable maintenance / capital expenditure to improve condition. 2020/2021 Budget \$3,000 Actual \$1,206.62 (Water, ESL, Insurance)	Technician (1)	Dwelling in substandard condition that would require considerable work to upgrade bathroom and kitchen and new split system air conditioning to be able to transfer to a new tenant. Recommendation; <i>Sell in short term.</i> FAIR VALUE \$113,009.50
76 Graham Street KONDININ	c. 2010 Shire constructed as new brick and metal clad 3 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning and double garage under main roof	Fair to good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$7,000 Actual \$10,450.1 (Water, ESL, Insurance, general maintenance, new air conditioner, new oven)	Outdoor Crew and family (3)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$260,245.03
84 Graham Street KONDININ	c.2008 Shire constructed as new brick and metal clad 3 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning and double garage under main roof	Good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$7,000 Actual \$6,667.41 (Water, ESL, Insurance, power, internet, new carpet).	Manager Corporate Services (1)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$260,485.36

21 Young Avenue KONDININ	C. 1981 Shire purchased existing brick and metal clad 4 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings with slab and evaporative air conditioning	Poor to Fair condition. Considerable maintenance / capital expenditure to improve condition. 2020/2021 Budget \$7000 Actual \$1,746.71 (Water, ESL, Insurance)	Outdoor Crew (1)	House not in good condition and would require considerable work to upgrade kitchen and bathroom and yard to good standard. Recommendation: <i>Sell in the medium term.</i>
				FAIR VALUE \$278,305.82
11 Young Avenue KONDININ	c. 1970 Shire constructed brick and tile clad 3 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning, attached double garage and brick and tile clad guest house	Poor to Fair condition. Considerable maintenance / capital expenditure to improve condition. 2020/2021 Budget \$7,000 Actual \$5673.62 (Water, ESL, Insurance, electrical maintenance.)	Pool Manager and family (3)	House whilst well maintained by tenants is structurally unsound and would require considerable work to improve structure, if possible at all. Recommendation: <i>Sell in the short term</i>
				FAIR VALUE \$157,747.31
94 Graham Street KONDININ	c. 1999 Shire constructed new brick and metal clad 3 bedroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split and evaporative air conditioning	Fair to good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$7,000 Actual \$2517 (Water, ESL, Insurance)	Senior Administration Officer and Outdoor Crew and family (3)	House serves its purpose well. In need of new capital works including new carpets and painting throughout and fix patio. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i>
				FAIR VALUE \$270,459.09

6 Hinck Street KONDININ	c.1998 Shire constructed new brick and clad 4 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning	Fair to good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$15,000 Actual \$6380 (Water, ESL, Insurance, power, internet, minor maintenance).	CEO and family (4)	House serves it purpose well. In need of garden upgrades to reduce lawn area. Could also look at improved outdoor patio area. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$268,282
43 Repacholi Parade KONDININ	c.2003 Shire constructed new brick and metal clad 4 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning and double garage under main roof	Good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$7,000 Actual \$7,350 (Water, ESL, Insurance, power, landscaping.)	Works Manager (1)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$275,448.51
41 Repacholi Parade KONDININ	c.2018 Shire constructed new brick and metal clad 4 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete footings and slab with split air conditioning and double garage under main roof	Good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$7,000 Actual \$ 5392.72 (Water, ESL, Insurance, new air conditioner.)	Depot Administrator (1)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$270,376.44
28 Repacholi Parade KONDININ	c. 1980 In 2015 Shire purchased existing brick and tile clad 4 bedroom 2 bathroom dwelling on concrete slab with single car port	Fair to good condition. Low maintenance costs to date. 2020/2021 Budget \$10,000 Actual \$11,158 (Water, ESL, Insurance, new air conditioner, gardening, electrical maintenance)	School Principal (1)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i> FAIR VALUE \$230,875.74
30 Repacholi Parade KONDININ	c. 2013 Shire constructed new brick and metal clad 3 bedroom 2 bathroom	Good condition. Low maintenance costs to date.	Doctor (1)	House serves it purpose well. Recommendation: <i>Retain as is.</i>

	dwelling on concrete slab with double garage	2020/2021 Budget \$10,000 Actual \$7,829 (Water, ESL, Insurance, internet, power.)		FAIR VALUE \$262,462
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Currently the Shire does not have sufficient nor adequate housing to accommodate our existing workforce. An outdoor crew employee who wishes to live in Kondinin with his family has recently been offered a full time position to work at the Shire of Kondinin, however the Shire does not have any suitable housing in Kondinin to accommodate him.

As a short term solution to this scenario, the Shire's Administration are recommending the purchase of No. 51 Jones Street, Kondinin. Constructed in 1977, it is a solid brick and tile and is in good condition and freshly painted throughout with new flooring and sound amenities and in much better condition than a number of other the Shire's houses such as No. 11 Young Avenue, Kondinin; No. 46 Graham Street, Kondinin, No. 4 Wignell Street, Kondinin and No. 21 Young Avenue Kondinin, all of which have been identified above as recommended for disposal in the short to medium term.

An independent valuation has been undertaken on the property at \$110,000 which is relatively consistent with the asking price of \$122,000. Discussions with the real estate agent have indicated that the vendors would be willing to accept an offer of \$112,000 - \$115,000.

In the medium term, the Shire's Administration are preparing a Housing Replacement Plan to plan to dispose some of the Shire's existing housing and to construct new dwellings. This is being done concurrently with addressing the number of residential lots in Kondinin with substandard dwellings and unkempt yards that have not been occupied for many years and have been issued notices as being unfit for human habitation under the *Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1911*, some of which the Council has approved to purchase with the view to demolish and make way for new housing. In addition, No. 39 (Lot 282) Repacholi Parade, Kondinin is the last of the Shire's Landcorp lots yet to be developed.

A graph has been prepared as attached to this Agenda Report which lists the Shire's existing residential properties and shows the historic costs and the current value of these properties. The majority of housing constructed over the last 20 years or so are all currently valued at roughly the same around \$260,000 and align with their construction cost.

Whilst the Shire's Administration is looking at options to construct new dwellings in Kondinin for Shire housing, until the required capital becomes available this is not possible. As a short term measure to address this housing shortage, the Shire is recommending to purchase No. 51 Jones Street, Kondinin.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

\$115,000 included in the 2021/22 draft budget

Strategic Implications

The project supports the following sections of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2016 – 2026

"1.1 A vibrant and attractive place to live that offers choice and a liveable environment

1.1.1 Promote the Shire of Kondinin as a great place to live, work, visit and invest

1.1.2 Encourage greater housing diversity and standards that meets the needs of a broader demographic profile

1.1.3 Develop infrastructure and support services to create the Shire as an ideal place to retire

Our Actions

- *Continue to provide new staff houses in Hyden and Kondinin as required*
- *Provide support and loans to upgrade existing and complete new housing for low income families and singles*
- *Increase aged care accommodation options within the Shire, including extending Yeerakine Lodge and constructing additional independent living units at West Court Retirement Village (Kondinin) and Whispering Gums (Hyden), coupled with appropriate and complementary health, recreation and community services e.g. Senior Citizens Centre Home And Community Care (HACC), Silver Chain, Men's Shed*
- *Work with local businesses and government agencies to promote the Shire of Kondinin lifestyle to a range of demographics including migrants, youth, families, singles and the aged and fly in fly out / drive in drive out workers e.g. Western Areas NL Mine Sites*
- *Work collaboratively and form alliances with local organisations, service providers and neighbouring Shires to improve housing and health services and facilities across the Shire, particular for seniors. "*

1.2 A growing, diverse and dynamic community

1.2.1 Facilitate equitable access for residents to services and facilities across the Shire

1.2.3 Increase land supply for residential, commercial and industrial opportunities that can be released quickly to the market

1.2.3 Create aesthetically attractive and vibrant towns within the Shire

Our Actions

- *Improve each communities central business district aesthetics, access and landscape to strengthen opportunities for shopping, dining and entertainment*
- *Undertake a dedicated streetscape and beautification project for the Hyden Town Site*
- *Invite and promote the community to take a proactive role in improving the aesthetics of each town e.g. coordinated effort*
- *Represent the communities interests and work with relevant agencies to facilitate affordable, diverse housing and land release strategies*

Voting Requirement

Absolute Majority

CONCLUSION

A number of matters are to be considered in the best way forward for the Shire to adhere to its commitment in its Community Strategic Plan 2016 – 2020 to ensure that it provides for quality housing that meets the needs of a broad demographic profile.

Whilst the selling of Shire properties is contingent on adequate housing being available for staff, the immediate demand for housing from the private and public sector is unknown and the wind farm development uncertain, it is considered important that the Shire seriously start to consider planning for providing quality housing in the short to medium term.

The construction of new housing and/or the disposal of residential lots for private development if managed well is anticipated to have a positive flow on effect by providing quality housing for Shire employees but also for potential new and existing residents to the Shire including housing for teachers and nurses and those employed in the private sector. Based on continuing requests from both the school and hospital and the limited number of GROH properties in town, renting to other parties still looks to be viable for periods that the Shires own demand fluctuates. Housing construction will also encourage growth in the local economy.

In the short term it is recommended that the Shire purchase No. 51 Jones Street, Kondinin to address the immediate housing need of the new Shire works crew employee and his family.

Following this, it is recommended that the purchase of Nos. 51 and 53 Rankin Street, Kondinin, enabling the removal of the uninhabitable dwellings on the subject lots and then once adequate funds are available will enable either the option to construct new dwellings on the lots to lease to Shire employees or other employees in the public sector or sell to interest private buyers.

To formulize the Shire's approach to housing it is recommended that the Shire's Administration prepare a Housing Replacement Plan which shall include a timeline and indicative costs for the replacement of Shire Housing and other relevant information.

RESOLUTION #3774

Moved: Cr Gangell

Seconded: Cr Mulcahy

That the meeting proceeds with Open Doors.

Carried 9/0

9.1 MANAGER OF PLANNING & ASSETS

9.1.2 RECONSIDERATION OF HYDEN RAILWAY BARRACKS

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Manager Planning and Assets
Date: 13th July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Attachments:

4. Asbestos Report
5. Asbestos Removal Quotation
6. Licence To Occupy L7363

RESOLUTION #3775

Moved: Cr Jones

Seconded: Cr Browning

That Council – Subject to Costings:

- 1) **CONSIDERS** the three (3) options to manage the Railway Barracks on PTAWA License Plan No. L7363 detailed in the Background Section of this Agenda Report; and
- 2) **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to advise the PTAWA that the Shire of Kondinin's preferred option for the future management of the Hyden Railway Barracks is:
 - (a) Continue under the Licence L7363 and adhere to the obligations under the Licence to Occupy and allocate appropriate funds in the 2021/2022 budget to remove the asbestos and upgrade the Hyden Railway Barracks so that it is in good repair and is in a safe condition; OR
 - (b) Request that the Hyden Railway Barracks is relocated to adjacent Licensed Area L3553 and allocates appropriate funds in the 2021/2022 budget for the asbestos to be removed and the building relocated and upgraded.
Subject to costings

Carried 9/0

Summary

This report is to present to Council options for the future management of the Railway Barracks in Hyden and determine its' preferred option for the building and associated license arrangement with the Public Transport Authority of Western Australia (PTAWA).

Background

The Shire of Kondinin has held a license to occupy over the Hyden Railway Barracks for many years, which was re-entered in 2013 for a further ten years with the Public Transport Authority of Western Australia expiring on 1st July 2023. A copy of the License L7363 is attached to this report. In particular it is noted that clause 5.1 states that;

“The Licensee is to:

- (a) Keep and maintain the Licensed Area in good condition and repair at all times;
- (b) Ensure that the Licensed Area is kept in a safe condition at all times;

...”

The Shire of Kondinin approached the PTAWA back in July 2019 to inquire about maintenance responsibilities and the presence of asbestos. Asbestos testing was then carried out by an Environmental Assessor and a report was prepared and presented to Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on the 18th December 2019. In July 2021 the Shire obtained a quote for the removal of the asbestos on the premises costed at \$1,100. In February 2021 the Shire tried to obtain a quotation for the relocation for the building, however following the site visit by the contractor they advised that this was not something they would be interested in doing, as the building was not constructed to be transported.

On the 26th November 2019 a vandalism report was presented to the Shire from the PTAWA which observed the following damages to the property;

- Timber panels being ripped off western wall
- Sleeping cubicle trashed and ripped down
- Glass windows smashed
- Flooring in poor condition
- Outbuilding in poor condition

Apart from the timber panels on the western wall being replaced in January 2021 (\$1,500) the building remains in a poor condition highlighting that the Shire is not upholding its’ obligations under the License. As noted when this matter was previously reported to Council, the poor condition and damage date well before the vandalism report and the barracks remain a public safety risk in which the public should not be encouraged to enter.

When this matter was last presented to Council, the view of the Reporting Officer was that unless a specific use and allocated funds were put forth by Council, the Officer Recommendation was for the Shire of Kondinin to give 12 months’ notice to the PTAWA of our intention to terminate the lease.

The resolution of Council at its Ordinary Meeting on the 18th December 2019 was as follows:

“RESOLUTION 3523

Moved Cr Gangell

Seconded Cr Mouritz

That Council authorise the use of the Other Tourist Facilities – Maintenance (1132540) and Rentals Property Maintenance (1116120) Accounts in the 2019/20 Budget for remedial work on the Hyden Railway Barracks with the intention of terminating the license to occupy.

CARRIED 8/0”

It was noted in the report, that a resolution would be put before Council after remediation work is complete to make a final decision on the termination of the license unless Council wish to make that determination sooner. To date, this report has not been presented to Council.

Since the matter was last reported to Council, the Shire’s Administration have received mixed feedback from the Hyden Progress Association, some Council Members, Community Members and the Public Transport Authority on the future of the Barracks, falling into three main options.

- Demolition of Building and Termination of Lease
- Upgrade to Building in situ
- Relocation of Building to adjacent PTA leased area L3553

OPTION 1 - Demolition of Building & Termination of Lease

Pros

- Remove costs to the Shire for on-going insurance and maintenance of property
- Overcome issues of non-compliance to current License L7363

Cons

- Loss of heritage building in Hyden
- Loss of tourism potential for this area of Hyden town site

OPTION 2 - Upgrade to Building in situ

Pros

- Recognition of heritage value and continuation of original curtilage
- Potential to incorporate into heritage / tourism precinct and walking trail
- No costs to relocate building

Cons

- Costs to Shire for insurance and on-going maintenance of property
- Costs to upgrade building to a suitable standard to encourage public entrance

OPTION 3 - Relocation of Building to adjacent PTA leased area L3553

Pros

- Potential to incorporate into heritage / tourism precinct

Cons

- Costs to Shire for insurance and on-going maintenance of property
- Shire to remove the asbestos from the building before PTA consider relocation
- Reduction in heritage significance due to removal from original site
- Costs to upgrade building to a suitable standard to encourage public entrance
- Cost and logistics to relocate building
- Uncertainty of approvals from PTA

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

\$1,100 to remove asbestos of building

On-going maintenance, upgrade and insurance costs depending on Council's intentions

Strategic Implications

The project supports the following sections of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2016 – 2026

2.4 Encourage, promote and support tourism experiences and businesses in the Shire of Kondinin

2.4.1 Collaborate with key stakeholders and local networks to develop and promote our tourism experiences across the entire Shire

2.4.2 Add value to current tourism experiences and facilities as well as creating additional tourism experiences and facilities

4. Provide good strategic decision making, governance, leadership and professional management

4.1 Develop leadership skills and behaviours that enhance the knowledge, skills and experience of the Shire staff and Council

4.2 Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.3 Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance

Voting Requirement

Absolute Majority

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

9.2.1 LIST OF ACCOUNTS

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Vince Bugna - MCS
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 12th July 2021
Attachment(s): List of Accounts

RESOLUTION #3776

Moved: Cr Lynch

Seconded: Cr Browning

That Council:

- 1) That Muni Cheques 19036 - 19046, Muni & Trust EFTs 13691 – 13797, Transport Direct Debits, Other Direct Debits, Payroll and Bank Fees (for the month June 2021) totalling \$934,363.15 be endorsed.

Carried 9/0

Summary/Comment

A list of accounts is attached.

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

9.2.2 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Vince Bugna - MCS
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 14th July, 2021
Attachment(s): Monthly Financial Reports

RESOLUTION #3777

Moved: Cr James

Seconded: Cr Lynch

That Council:

- 1) ACCEPTS the Financial Reports for the period ended 30th June 2021.

Carried 9/0

Mrs Tory Young leaves meeting 4:30pm and does not return.

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

9.2.3 FEES & CHARGES 2021/22

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Authors: SAO/MCS
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 13TH July 2021
Attachment: Fees & Charges 2021-2022

RESOLUTION #3778

Moved: Cr James

Seconded: Cr Mulcahy

That Council ACCEPTS the revised Fees and Charges for 2021/2022 financial year as presented.

Carried 9/0

Summary:

The attached Fees & Charges now including the updated Planning & Development Fees, Building Regulation Fees and a new Shire Fee for “Pet Bonds” of \$100.00.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

The Local Government Act 1995

POLICY IMPLICATION

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Absolute majority

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

9.2.4 PROPOSED DIFFERENTIAL RATES – UV MINING TENEMENTS

Applicant:	Shire of Kondinin
Authors:	FAO/ MCS
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	14TH July 2021
Attachment:	Submission from McMahon Mining Title Services

RESOLUTION #3779

Moved: Cr Jones

Seconded: Cr Mouritz

That Council:

- 1) **Apply to the Minister for Local Government pursuant to Section 6.33(3) of the Local Government Act, 1995 seeking approval to apply the differential rate of 29.8485 in respect of (UV) mining tenements, advising the Minister of Council's consideration of received submissions.**
- 2) **MacMahon Mining Tenement Services be advised that Council considered the submission put forward by them on behalf of their clients and that Council has decided to not change the proposed rate in the dollar for 2021/2022 budget.**

Carried 9/0

Summary

In accordance with the Local Government Act, 1995, Section 6.33(3) the Shire of Kondinin advertised its intention to levy a differential rate on mining tenement Unimproved Value (UV) properties, more than double the general UV Rate that applies to farm land. As a result of this advertising an objection has been received from McMahon Mining Title Services on behalf of their clients.

The objection is on the basis that the Department of Mines increased the rent rate for exploration licenses by 2.17% and prospecting licenses by 3.45% and mining leases by 1.01% as at the 1st July 2020. McMahon Mining Title Services rational, is any increases in the rent results in an increase in valuations and in turn an automatic increase in rates.

Background

The proposed rate in the dollar increase for UV Mining is 2.4% to give an increase of 3.5% in total revenue. There was no increase for the rate in the dollar for 2020/2021 due to COVID-19 restrictions and policies, thus creating a modest increase in both the rate in the dollar and the revenue raised in the 2021/2022 budget. The revenue raised from this category is used for maintaining infrastructure in the eastern sector of the Shire. The mining operations result in the Shire's road network requiring continual ongoing maintenance and renewal work to service these users in a shorter timeframe to normal operations. As many other types of traffic travel this area as a direct route to the eastern states it is important that the infrastructure is maintained to the best that the shire can provide. At the time of Council proposing the differential rate the Shire had not received any advice from Landgate regarding valuation increases with respect to mining tenements for 2021/2022. Council deliberations are made on current UV Mining valuations in close consultation with Shires Strategic, Corporate and Long Term Financial Plans. Valuations on residential and rural properties are reviewed regularly in a similar way to that of mining tenements and increases in the rate in the dollar will have similar impacts on individual assessments.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995 Section 6.33(3)

Policy Implications

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

Financial Implications

Reducing the rate in the dollar for UV Mining will have a negative impact on the budgeted revenue to be raised by Council for 2021-2022.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

UNCONFIRMED

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

9.2.5 RATES & CHARGES OWING WRITE-OFF – 90 CONNELL STREET PROPERTY

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: FAO – Heather Lockyer, MCS – Vince Bugna
Date: 20th July 2021
Attachments: Information on properties for sale

RESOLUTION #3780

Moved Cr Mulcahy

Seconded Cr Pool

That Council Approve to write off the balance of outstanding rates, services, penalty interest and legal costs on property Assessment number 50.

Carried 9/0

Summary

To seek council approval to write-off the outstanding rates, services, penalty and legal costs on Assessment 50. A total of \$20,825.98 as per the below table.

Background

On 24th June 2021, the auction of properties subject to 3-year period rule eventually took place. Assessment No. 50 located at 90 Connell Street, Kondinin was the only property that was sold for \$7,000. This property had arrears from 2010 and accumulated interest, ESL penalty and legal charges.

In order for the new owner to have a fresh record on this property in 2021/22, the balance remaining after the settlement is to be written-off as a sale of land by a local government discharges the land, and its owners from any liability to the local government for rates, service charges or other money due to the local government.

The table shows the amounts levied on the property, the sale proceeds had been applied to (as per the Guidelines for the Possession of Land for Recovery of Rates and Service Charges), and the remaining outstanding balance that needs to be cleaned up.

A50 - Financial Summary				
Levies	Receipts	Balance	C/A	Description
440.00	0.00	440.00	C	Rates
4004.85	4004.85	0.00	A	Rates
7519.68	1259.38	6260.30	C	Interest
14705.20	826.76	13878.44	C	Legal Charges
57.93	0.00	57.93	C	ESL Penalty
348.32	159.01	189.31	A	ESL Penalty
84.00	84.00	0.00	C	Emergency Services Levy
666.00	666.00	0.00	A	Emergency Services Levy
\$27,825.98	\$7,000.00	\$20,825.98		*** TOTALS ***

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995 S. 6.73 – discharge of liability on sale of land

Policy Implications

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

Financial Implications

A provision for write-off and doubtful debts is included in 2021/22 budget.
The outstanding balances will be reduced by the write-off.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

Mr Vince Bugna leaves meeting 4:59pm and does not return

UNCONFIRMED

9.3 MANAGER OF WORKS

9.3.1 LOADER TENDER

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: MOW
Date: 14th of July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: NIL

RESOLUTION #3781

Moved: Cr Mulcahy

Seconded: Cr Browning

That Council:

- 1) Accept the Tender 01/2021-2022 from AFGRI for the supply of 1 x new 624k Wheel Loader for the purchase price of \$175,500 exclusive of GST and including the trade of the L90 Volvo loader.
- 2) Purchase the optional extras in the Load Rite and the Air Compressor

Carried 9/0

Summary/Background

Tenders were called for the supply of a Wheel Loader with a minimum of a 12 kw and 13500kg operating weight. The current Budget allows for a purchase price of \$230,000 with a trade of \$95,000

Given this it is recommended that the Council purchase the John Deere 624K wheel loader.

This loader has the same motor as our two 620G graders which makes ordering of parts and filters quite simplified. It comes with a 2.7m³ bucket

Given the savings it is suggested that Council invest in the Load Rite and the Air Compressor as well

COMPANY	Model	min net 120kw min op weight						optional extras			DELIVERY	
		Engine Power	Operating Weight	Trade	Price	Balance	Load Rite	Rake Bucket	Air Comp			
Afgri	John Deere 544L	123KW(166HP)	14,305KG	\$95,000	278,500	183,500		11,000	\$13,200	\$4,500		Dec/Jan 22
	John Deere 544K	122KW(163HP)	13,570KG	\$95,000	247,500	152,500		11,000	\$13,200	\$4,500		Dec/Jan 22
	John Deere 624K	141KW(188HP)	16,100KG	\$95,000	270,500	175,500		11,000	\$13,200	\$4,500		Dec/Jan 22
JCB	455ZX	165KW(221HP)	17,880kg	\$79,091	\$311,181	232,090		16,000	16,800	\$300		4 - 6 weeks
CJD	VOLVO L90F	128KW	15 TO 17T	90,000	295,000	205,000		14,500	14,000	6,000		end of Jan
WESTRAC	CAT 938K - IT	140KW(188HP)	15228KG	100,000	326,530	226,530		20,700	23,300			14 to 18 weeks
KOMATSU	WA320PZ_6	127KW (171HP)		No Trade Offerred	292,500	292,500		14,867	18,600	5,895		end of Oct
	WA320_8	127KW (171HP)		No Trade Offerred	292,500	292,500		14,867	18,600	5,895		available now
	WA250_6	104KW(140HP)		No Trade Offerred	246,700	246,700		14,867	18,600	5,895		end of Oct
	WA270_8	111KW(149HP)		No Trade Offerred	246,700	246,700		14,867	18,600	5,895		available now
HITACHI	ZW180-5	126KW MAX		60,000	230,000	170,000		7,452.00	18,742.22	8,000		
All prices are without GST												

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Ensuring Council Roads Program is kept to the highest efficiency levels

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

Meeting Adjourned 5:17pm

Meeting Resumed 5:33pm

UNCONFIRMED

9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.4.1 GECZ WALGA MEETING 28th June 2021

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: CEO – David Burton
Date: 9th July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Minutes and presentations.

RESOLUTION #3782

Moved: Cr Browning

Seconded: Cr Pool

That Council notes and endorses the recommendations of the GECZ WALGA meeting via videoconference on 28th June 2021

Carried 9/0

Summary

This report is for Council to note actions and recommendations from the Great Eastern Council Zone of Western Australian Local Government Association (GECZ WALGA) Meeting held via videoconference on 28th June 2021.

Background

GECZ WALGA is our regional representation for matters presented to WALGA or state-wide considerations of WALGA on behalf of the industry.

Comment

The following items were raised at the GECZ WALGA Meeting.

5. GUEST SPEAKERS / DEPUTATIONS

- 5.1 Karl O'Callaghan, Chair, Wheatbelt Natural Resource Management
- 5.2 Richard Burnell, Executive Director Corporate Services – Department of Fire and Emergency Management (presentation available on request due to size)
- 5.3 Rebecca McCall, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Dowerin Aged Care Program
- 5.4 Rob Dickie, Principal – Government & Industry Relations, CBH Group

6. MINUTES

- 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes from the meeting held Monday 27 April 2021
- 6.2 Business Arising
 - 6.2.1 Item 5.1, Goldfields Rescue Helicopter Proposal
 - 6.2.2 Item 5.4.1, Covid-19 – Regional Areas
 - 6.2.3 Item 9.1, Government Regional Officer Housing (GROH).
 - 6.2.4 Item 11.1, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries
- 6.3 Minutes of the Executive Committee held Thursday 17 June 2021
 - 6.3.1 (Item 5.3) Elected Member Training
 - 6.3.2 (Item 5.4) Budget 2021/2022
 - 6.3.3 (Item 5.4) Electoral Reform Submission
- 6.4 Confirmation of Minutes from Executive Committee held Thursday 17 June 2021

7. ZONE BUSINESS

- 7.1 Invite to Minister David Kelly, Minister for Water, Forestry; Youth
- 7.2 Telecommunications Issues in Regional WA
- 7.3 Fire Bans and Public Holidays
- 7.4 Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program
- 7.5 Office of Auditor General costs
- 7.6 Information Items

8. ZONE REPORTS

- 8.1 Zone President Report
- 8.2 Local Government Agricultural Freight Group
- 8.3 Wheatbelt District Emergency Management Committee

8.4 Wheatbelt Health MOU Group

8.5 WALGA Roadwise

9. WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (WALGA) BUSINESS

9.1 State Councillor Report

9.2 WALGA Status Report

9.3 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda – Matters for Decision

9.4 WALGA President's Report

10. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

11. AGENCY REPORTS

11.1 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

11.2 Wheatbelt Development Commission

11.3 Main Roads Western Australia

11.4 Wheatbelt RDA

11.5 Water Corporation

12. EMERGING ISSUES

12.1 St John Ambulance

12.2 Closure of National Bank

12.3 Promotion to attract more candidates to run for Council

12.4 Transport and Roads Forum

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Consultation

GECZ Shires

Strategic Implications

The project meets the following objectives of the Shire's Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026:

Goal 2: Economic

2.3 Encourage and promote a culture of education, career development, job creation and employment

2.3.1 Work with the local Community Resource Centres and government, industry, education, employment and community groups to develop sub regional partnerships and investment in education and training

Goal 4: Civic

4. Provide good strategic decision making, governance, leadership and professional management

4.2 Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.3 Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**9.4.2 TRANSFER STATION FEES FOR PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: CEO – David Burton
Date: 9th July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Nil

RESOLUTION #3783**Moved:** Cr Gangell**Seconded:** Cr Jones

That Council by Absolute Majority, adopt a fee of \$350.00 for individuals or businesses requiring the opening of the Waste Transfer Stations at Kondinin or Hyden for a maximum of 3 hours on Public Holidays to be implemented from 1st August 2021

Lost 0/9

The council would like the Shire Administration to research other options for Waste Collection before making a final determination.

Summary

To consider an appropriate fee for the opening of Waste Transfer Stations (Stations) on a public holiday.

Background

The current arrangements for the Stations in the Shire of Kondinin are as follows:

Hyden Waste Transfer Site:

Sunday & Monday	8.00am to 12.00pm
Wednesday & Friday	8.00am to 11.00am
Saturday	2.00pm to 5.00pm

Kondinin Waste Transfer Site:

Tuesday, Thursday & Sunday	2.00pm to 5.00pm
Saturday	8.00am to 12.00pm

Our current brochure for the Stations indicates that the sites are closed on all Public Holidays, however this has caused problems at times with heavy tourist traffic and the sites have been opened. This extra opening has been at the cost to the ratepayers in general, rather than targeted at those that require the site.

Comment

While it is understood that some service areas may need the requirement of the transfer sites to be opened over a long weekend, this is likely to be limited to only a small group of businesses. It should also be noted that alternatives are available for waste control in most cases.

In order to have the Stations open for the additional days, the staff are required to attend for a minimum of 3 hours for a call out (as per current employment awards) and staff are also paid at penalty rates for working in the holiday. The cost of providing this service is placed on all ratepayers rather than the individual person or businesses that are requiring the service.

In areas where an expenditure is required for an individual or limited number of persons or businesses, it is recommended that the Shire adopt a more 'User Pays' methodology towards fees and charges. This is to ensure that the person/s gaining the benefit from the expense, are the person responsible for the cost to the Shire.

In order to ensure that the cost of opening the Stations on a Public Holiday is recovered, a fee of \$350.00 (GST exempt). Implementation of the fee will be from 1st August 2021.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1996

6.16. Imposition of fees and charges

- (1) A local government may impose* and recover a fee or charge for any goods or service it provides or proposes to provide, other than a service for which a service charge is imposed.

** Absolute majority required.*

- (2) A fee or charge may be imposed for the following —
 - (a) providing the use of, or allowing admission to, any property or facility wholly or partly owned, controlled, managed or maintained by the local government;
- (3) Fees and charges are to be imposed when adopting the annual budget but may be —
 - (a) imposed* during a financial year; and
 - (b) amended* from time to time during a financial year.

** Absolute majority required.*

Policy Implications

Shire Policy EHO-001 lists what can be taken to the Stations, but does not list fees and charges or opening times.

Financial Implications

The Financial Impact of this fee is likely to be minimal as it will only apply to Public Holidays and if the service is required.

Consultation

Wave Rock Caravan Park

Strategic Implications

The project meets the following objectives of the Shire's Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026:

Goal 4: Civic

4. Provide good strategic decision making, governance, leadership and professional management

4.2 Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.3 Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance.

Voting Requirement

Absolute Majority

9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.4.3 COUNCILLOR TRAINING 2020/2021

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: CEO – David Burton
Date: 12th July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Listing to be available at the meeting.

RESOLUTION #3784

Moved: Cr Pool

Seconded: Cr Lynch

That the training report for Councillors for 2020/2021 be noted and displayed on the Shire of Kondinin website

Carried 9/0

Summary

To receive the information on Councillors Training for the 2020/2021 Financial Year

Background

As part of Policy GOV-008 Council Member Continuing Professional Development (adopted during the year), there is a requirement for the CEO to keep a record of conferences and training and a report to be prepared each financial year. This report is to be published on the Shire website within 1 month after the end of the Financial Year.

Comment

Since the Elections in 2019, it has been compulsory for Council members to attend training in order to fulfil their obligations under the Local Government Act 1995. As part of this, it is also recommended that Council continue their ongoing professional development by attending training sessions or conferences to gain additional knowledge and better serve their Local Governments.

During the 2020/2021 Financial Year, training was limited due to restrictions as a result of the COVID 19 restrictions and there was not WALGA Conference. This did limit the amount of training that Council members could access.

With Elections once again coming through for the 2021/2022 Financial Year and the WALGA Conference being held again, professional development opportunities for Council members will be more readily available, and the required Councillor Training modules accessible.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Shire Policy GOV-008

Financial Implications

The attendance of training and conferences by Members is expected as part of ensuring Councillors are given the best knowledge to service their Councils. As such, funds are factored into the budget process for this attendance.

Consultation

Council Members

Strategic Implications

The project meets the following objectives of the Shire's Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026:

Goal 4: Civic

4. Provide good strategic decision making, governance, leadership and professional management

4.2 Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.3 Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.4.4 PROPERTY CROSSOVERS & RURAL GATEWAYS POLICY TRANS-003

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: CEO – David Burton
Date: 12th July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Policy TRANS-003

RESOLUTION #3785

Moved: Cr Lynch

Seconded: Cr Jones

That Council ADOPTS the amended Policy “Property Crossovers and Rural Gateways – TRANS-003”
Carried 8/1

Cr Mouritz requested his vote against the motion be recorded.

Summary

To consider an amendment to Policy “Property Crossovers and Rural Gateways – TRANS-003”

Background

The Policy “Property Crossovers and Rural Gateways – TRANS-003” was originally adopted in June 2015 and has been reviewed on several occasions with the latest review being conducted earlier this year.

The Policy establishes the conditions of the Shires obligations and conditions for the installation of new crossovers within the town site areas and also Rural Gateways.

Comment

The Shire has begun a program of replacing the old asphalt footpaths in the town sites with new concrete footpaths. In many areas, the crossovers were previously completed in the asphalt material where requested and as per the original policy.

Recently, we had a request where a replacement crossover was requested due to the installation of a new concrete footpath in front of a residential property which had previously been furnished with an asphalt crossover. As the current policy does not list any considerations of this kind, and agreement had to be established for the matter.

Legal advice received on the Shire’s obligations for the crossovers did not establish any contractual obligations of the Shire to maintain the crossover or to change the crossover to the new material. As our Policy did not cater for such an occasion as well, it left the matter to be negotiated on each occasion. The advice also recommended that a solution be included in the Policy to provide a clear path for this type of request as the Shire is likely to come across this issue regularly.

While the Shire is under no obligation for the footpaths, it may be beneficial to work with the property owners for an amicable solution while the footpath replacement program is continuing.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

2.7. Role of council

- (1) The council —
 - (a) governs the local government’s affairs; and
 - (b) is responsible for the performance of the local government’s functions.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the council is to —
 - (a) oversee the allocation of the local government’s finances and resources; and
 - (b) determine the local government’s policies.

Policy Implications

This is an addition to Policy TRANS-003 to clarify action when a footpath is replaced and the impact on crossovers.

Financial Implications

The financial implications of this cannot be estimated as it will depend on the number of crossovers completed during the footpath installation, however the policy will enable it to be similar to the installation of new footpaths.

Consultation

Civic Legal

Strategic Implications

The project meets the following objectives of the Shire's Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026:

Goal 1: Social

1.1 A vibrant and attractive place to live that offers choice and a liveable environment

1.1.3 Develop infrastructure and support services to create the Shire as an ideal place to retire

1.2 A growing, diverse and dynamic community

1.2.3 Create aesthetically attractive and vibrant towns within the Shire

Goal 4: Civic

4. Provide good strategic decision making, governance, leadership and professional management

4.2 Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.3 Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.4.5 TIER 3 RAIL SUPPORT

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: CEO – David Burton
Date: 13th July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Copy of letter and information

RESOLUTION #3786

Moved: Cr Lynch

Seconded: Cr Browning

That Council:

1. Endorses the Letter of Support sent to Minister Saffioti for investigation into the viability of restoring all or some of the Tier 3 grain lines in the Wheatbelt;
2. Supports the motions of the WA Farmers Federation for the re-opening of the Tier 3 rail lines with Federal and State Government funding; and
3. Request the Chief Executive Officer to write to the WA Farmers Federation acknowledging that the Shire of Kondinin supports their motions from the WA Farmers Transport Committee Meeting of July 2021.

Carried 9/0

Summary

To consider endorsement of a Letter sent to Minister Saffioti and other ministers on behalf of the Shires of Kondinin and Hyden in support of the reinstatement of the Tier 3 Rail Line from Merredin to Kulin.

Background

In 2009 the Strategic Grain Network Report recommended the closure of the Tier 3 Rail Network as it was seen as not competitive with road transport. This was questioned by many local governments at the time with request of how the costs were calculated, but the costings were never disclosed.

In 2011 CBH purchased its own rolling stock which reduced the freight costs for grain once it was running in 2013.

In 2014 the Tier 3 rail network closed, including the rail line from Merredin to Kondinin.

At a recent Meeting of the Wheatbelt Railway Retention Alliance, it was raised that the federal and state governments are allocating \$200m a year for 3 years into agricultural freight movement. This was seen as an excellent opportunity to push for the business cases for the reinstatement of the Tier 3 network and funding if it is shown to be advantageous.

Comment

At the meeting of the Wheatbelt Railway Retention Alliance (attended by Cr Browning, G Repacholi and CEO), it was mentioned about the Shires supporting for business cases to be done on lines that they considered a priority. As such, the CEO approached the RoerOC Shires with the possibility of submitting a joint submission. The Shire of Narembeen indicated that it was willing to be a part of a joint submission for the Merredin to Kulin line.

The CEO prepared a draft letter of support for the line which was circulated to the Shire Presidents for Kondinin and Narembeen as the signatures for the letter, and also met with Cr Browning and Mr G Repacholi to finalise information for the letter.

The sending of the letter was seen as a priority as it was known that other Shire would be looking at submitting similar letters. In discussion with the Shire President, it was raised about sending the letter as soon as possible and then having it endorsed by Council rather than delaying the letter. This item is to endorse the actions in sending the letter.

The Shire has also been made aware that the WA Farmers Federation (WAFF) has also recently given support for the reinstatement of the Tier 3 Rail Network with the following resolution:

Resolutions for WA Farmers Transport Committee July 2021

Motion 01/0721

“THAT THE CORRIGIN/LAKE GRACE ZONE SUPPORTS THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT TO REOPEN THE UNUSED TIER 3 LINES AS IDENTIFIED IN THE AGONIS REPORT. THAT THE WA FARMERS PURSUE THE REOPENING AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THESE LINES WITH THE USE OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING.”

- *This motion is further endorsement and support to previous motions including resolutions from the Public Meeting in Kulin in 2020*
- *The funding is already promised.*
- *The Labour party conference voted with no dissenting votes in support.*

Motion 2/0721

“THAT THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SEEK AN OPERATOR TO RUN TRAINS ON THESE LINES.”

- *Once the lines are rebuilt this motion will ensure that the lines will be used.*

Motion 3/0721

“THAT THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT BRING FORWARD LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE RAIL LINE LESSEES TO GIVE THIRD PARTY OPERATORS ACCESS TO THESE GOVERNMENT OWNED LINES. THIS LEGISLATION INCLUDES GREATER TRANSPARENCY OF RAIL ACCESS FEES.”

- *This motion would help to allow 2/0721 to happen.*

WAFF are requesting the Shires support for their motions as support for the project.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The letter itself does not have any financial implications, however, pending the outcomes of the investigations into the viability of the lines there may be a financial consideration at a later date.

Consultation

Wheatbelt Railway Retention Alliance.

Shire of Narembeen Shire President.

Shire of Narembeen CEO.

Mr Gary Repacholi.

Cr Browning.

Shire President Cr Meeking.

Strategic Implications

The project meets the following objectives of the Shire’s Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026:

Goal 4: Civic

4. Provide good strategic decision making, governance, leadership and professional management

4.2 Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.3 Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.4.6 HYDEN CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS SUPPORT

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: CEO – David Burton
Date: 13th July 2021
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Nil

RESOLUTION #3787

Moved: Cr Jones

Seconded: Cr Pool

That Council endorses the inclusion of \$33,000 in the 2021/2022 Budget and \$88,000 in the 2022/2023 Budget (providing funds are available & more information provided re: details of events & activities) as part of the Hyden Centenary Celebrations.

Carried 9/0

Council requested more information on the planned activities of the players review & the fashion parade – period costume event.

Summary

The Hyden Town site will be celebrating its 100 years in October 2022, but for the 2021/2022 Financial year, several items will need to be purchased as part of the celebrations. The consideration of these items will be included in the 2021/2022 Annual Budget

Background

The Shire of Kondinin has previously assisted the town Progress Associations with regards to the Centenary Celebrations. This has been for Kondinin and Karlgarin.

For the Karlgarin Centenary, most of the funding from the Shire was for infrastructure items that would remain in place and provide amenities for the town site. The Shire also assisted in applying for funding where possible for other events as part of the celebrations.

The Hyden Progress Association has requested the Shire contribute to several items in regards to the Hyden Centenary, which will be celebrated in October 2022. Contributions will span the financial years of 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 as some items will need to be prepared or booked prior to the main event.

Comment

As part of the centenary celebrations, the Shire is looking at infrastructure in Hyden and removing or replacing some old items that no longer functioning and also assisting with the upgrading to the main parking area at the front of the town. This includes looking at leasing all available land from Public Transport Authority (PTA) to give the Shire increased abilities to improve the aesthetics of the area.

Shire staff will also look at funding opportunities can be accessed to improve the facilities and town amenities as part of the celebrations as well.

A request has been received from the Hyden Centenary Committee for contributions to the following items (with the relevant financial years) for consideration:

Estimated funding required for the 2021/22 year:-

Completion of Documentary	\$8,000
Coffee Table Book	\$15,000
Faces & Places Book	\$7,000
Website	\$1,000
Advertising	\$2,000
Total	\$33,000

Estimated funding required for the 2022/23 year:-

Marquee Hire & Setup	\$44,000
Audio - Visual Hire & Setup	\$12,000
Fashion Parade	\$5,000
Players Review	\$5,000
Band - Music	\$2,400
Fireworks	\$10,000
Total	\$88,400

The total costs for these items over the two year period will be \$121,400.

These items will be considered as part of the budget process and be included with funds permitting. To ensure their inclusion in the budgeting process, Council's endorsement of the items for these items to be considered as part of the budget processes.

It should be noted that the endorsement of this expenditure is only if funds are available.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The consideration of the funding will be on the basis that funds are available. Staff cannot foresee any issues with the funding, however details of the 2022/2023 Budget are not yet in consideration

Consultation

Hyden Centenary Committee

Strategic Implications

The project meets the following objectives of the Shire's Community Strategic Plan 2016-2026:

Goal 1 Social:

1.1 A vibrant and attractive place to live that offers choice and liveable environment

1.1.1 Promote the Shire of Kondinin as a great place to live, work, visit and invest

1.2 A growing, diverse and dynamic community

1.2.3 Create aesthetically attractive and vibrant towns within the Shire

Goal 4: Civic Leadership

4. Provide good strategic decision making, governance, leadership and professional management

4.2 Manage the organisation in a responsible and accountable manner

4.3 Deliver services that meet the current and future needs and expectations of the community, whilst maintaining statutory compliance.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.5 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

Please see Information Reports.

10. BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

NIL

11. CLOSURE

Meeting closed 6:35pm