



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

Thursday 26th September 2024

Commencing at 1.00PM

Held in the Council Chambers, Hack St Sandstone

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**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2024
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MINUTES and STAFF REPORTS

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SANDSTONE ON THURSDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2024

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY VISITORS

The Presiding Member, Cr Bethel Walton (Shire President) declared the Meeting open at 1.15pm.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND/OR COUNCILLORS

Without discussion unless otherwise determined.

3 ATTENDANCES

3.1 Present

Elected Members

Cr B (Bethel) Walton	Shire President (and Presiding member of this Meeting)
Cr V (Vicki) McQuie	Deputy Shire President
Cr C (Carol) Hodshon	
Cr D (David) Lefroy	
Cr J (James) Allison	
Cr M (Mark) Kevill	

Staff Members

Mr Peter Money	Chief Executive Officer
Ms Tracey Weiss	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Mr Patrick O'Brien	Works Manager

Visitors

Nil

3.2 Apologies

Nil

3.3 Approved Leave of Absence

Nil

4 RESPONSES TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

6.1 Declarations of Financial Interest

Nil

6.2 Declarations of Proximity Interest

Nil

6.3 Declarations of Indirect Financial Interest

Nil

6.4 Declarations of Impartiality Interest

Nil

7 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

8 CONFIRMATIONS OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

8.1 Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 22nd August 2024

85/24

Officer Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22nd August 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Resolution No. 85/24

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22nd August 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

MOVED: Cr Allison

SECONDED: Cr Hodshon

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

9 PRESENTATIONS

9.1 Petitions

Nil

9.2 Presentations

Nil

9.3 Deputations

Nil

9.4 Delegates/Councillor's Reports

10 OFFICERS REPORTS

10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

10.1.1 Status Report Update – August 2024

86/24

Agenda Reference:	CEO 09/24 - 01
Name of Applicant:	Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	14 th September 2024
Previous References:	Various
Author:	Peter Money, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

The purpose of this report is to advise Council on the status of its decisions from previous Council meetings.

Attachments

Nil

Background

It is important that Council receives an update on the outcome of its resolutions on a regular basis.

Comment

Document has been updated to include Progress made on Council decisions.

Status Update

Resolution No 31/17

Item No 10.1.7

Action That the plaque recognizing George Dent at Hacks Mine is reinstated and his family is offered the opportunity for a plaque to be placed in the new heritage park.

Responses/ Updates

03/05/2017 Letter sent to the family of George Dent advising Council decision.

19/03/2018 Ceramic photo of George Dent received from family for inclusion on plaque at Heritage Park.

07/10/2020 Article in Midwest Times re lack of recognition of George Dent

Busy Bee to be arranged.

Wall in Memorial Park Constructed. Information to be displayed on Wall to be determined.

Need to Determine the Setout of Plaques to be attached to the Wall in Memorial Park. Policy to be created so all plaques are the same.

Currently looking at what other Councils may have.

10/01/2024 The family has been contacted and been asked to forward a proposed script for the plaques to be placed at Memorial Park and outside of Hacks Mine. The family has also been advised that the Council does not support the change in the name of Hack Street in Sandstone townsite and no further comment will be made on that matter.

31/01/2024 No further correspondence since this date.

17/04/2024 This is an item for discussion in the Briefing Session of 24/04/2024.

10/05/2024 The applicants have been advised of the Council decision. Shire staff are pursuing suppliers who will make these plaques.

15/07/2024 Plaques have been designed and the size of the plaques and the locations need to be confirmed.

Resolution No 91/21

Item No 10.1.5

Action Reserves Change of Purpose

That Council

1. advise the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, that they have no objection to the proposed change of purpose.
2. request that all "Commons" within the Shire, except for the Sandstone Town Common, be relinquished and amalgamated into the adjoining pastoral stations.

Reserve Number	Original Gaz	Original 1	Reserve Class	Reserve Area
9959	3448	24/11/1905	C	15535.8820000000
10022	133	26/01/1906	C	6581.51520000000
14645	4504	4/12/1914	C	1926.30370000000
17984	662	13/04/1922	C	1957.66430000000
17011	1174	16/08/1918	C	5034.37130000000

Responses/ Updates

- 29/11/2021** Letter to Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage advising Council resolution as above.
- 31/03/2023** Sought comments again regarding item two.
- 15/07/2023** Followed up this email.
- 15/07/2023** Made enquiries regarding excising part of Reserve 11714 for Industrial/commercial purposes, or having the reserve amended to include PTL.
- 26/07/2023** Discussion with Contract Town Planner regarding Reserve 11714.
- 02/02/2024** There is no further update on this matter.
- 27/02/2024** I contacted Planning Consultant Marc Halsall to ask if he knew at what stage this matter was at. He doesn't know about this matter; it must have been sent direct to the DLPH. However, he advised the Council should reconsider the proposed disposal of this land as he said it is the only land the Council owns around these former townsites. If development should ever happen in the future the Council has no land with which to negotiate with any mining or other developments that might arise. He advised against disposing of these parcels.
- 21/03/2024** Resolution No. 20/24 subsequent to Resolution No. 91/21
Council resolved to advise the DPLH that all Commons within the Shire are to be retained and not relinquished and amalgamated into adjoining pastoral stations.
- 02/04/2024** Request sent advising of the reversal of the Council decision and asking to cancel any proposed actions. No response received yet.

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Resolution No 53/24
Item No 13.1
Action Land Acquisition/Allocation Application

That Council approves an application to the Department of Lands, Planning and Heritage to seek acquisition / allocation of the following properties as identified in the mapping at attachment 1 :

- Portions of Reserve for Town Common (Lot 302) including:
- the old Main Roads site (3km east of town),
- other land to the west of town (reserve 11714 – includes old borrow pit area),
- Portion of the Town Common on the western side of the entry to the Tip Site,
- Portion of Town Common zoned for Rural Townsite SCA2 east of town.
- Portion reserve 12100 (lot 300), Portion reserve 13902, and Portion of Vacant Crown Land zoned industrial west of town
- Reserve for Explosives Magazine (Reserve 11441) currently vested Dept Mines Industry Regulation and Safety
- Lot 405 Mt Magnet-Leinster Road (UCL) (south of caravan park
- Old Hospital Site (Reserve 10897) – currently vested with Dept of Health
- Portion Lot 402 UCL southeast of the Mt Magnet Leinster Road and telephone tower

Responses/ Updates

- 01/06/2024** Contacted Town Planner Marc Halsall to advise Council’s decision and asked for him to arrange a meeting with DPLH
- 17/06/2024** Marc Halsall advised he is arranging a meeting with DPLH for October 2024 to coincide with the WALGA AGM.
- 28/08/2024** Correspondence has been sent to Department of Health asking for relinquishing of Lot 10897, the Hospital Reserve.
- 02/09/2024** Correspondence sent to Department of Energy, Mines & Industry Regulation requesting relinquishing of Reserve 11441 Explosives Magazine Sandstone.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council accepts the Status Update for the month of August 2024.

Resolution No. 86/24

That Council accepts the Status Update for the month of August 2024.

MOVED: Cr Kevill

SECONDED: Cr McQuie

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

Agenda Reference:	CEO 09/24 – 02
Location/Address:	None
Name of Applicant:	None
Disclosure of Interest:	None
Date of Report:	22 nd September 2024
Author:	Peter Money, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

To report on actions performed under delegated authority for the month of August 2024.

Attachments

Nil

Background

To increase transparency this report has been prepared for Council and includes all actions performed under delegated authority.

Comment

The following table outlining the actions performed within the organisation, relative to delegated authority for the month of August 2024, is submitted to Council for information.

Date	Delegation Ref	Person / Classes Affected
1/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Creditors
7/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Creditors
8/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Creditors
14/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Wages
21/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Creditors
23/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Creditors
28/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Creditors
28/08/2024	F1 - D11 Payment Procedure Municipal Fund	Pay Wages

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995 Section 9.49A

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council, in accordance with section 5.46 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, accept the report outlining the actions performed under delegated authority for the month of August 2024.

Resolution No. 87/24

That Council, in accordance with section 5.46 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, accept the report outlining the actions performed under delegated authority for the month of August 2024.

MOVED: Cr McQuie

SECONDED: Cr Allison

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

Agenda Reference: CEO 09/24 - 03
Location/Address: Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant: Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 23rd August 2024
Author: Peter Money, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

This item recommends Council makes an addition to the Stock Grid Policy defining the dimensions of the concrete aprons.

Attachments

Draft Policy

Background

Minor amendments are made by Council from time to times and ambiguities or other matters are identified and require clarification.

Comment

This Policy will regulate the dimensions of the aprons for stock grids for current and future maintenance and / or installation of new grids.

In this instance the following will be added to the Policy:

<i>Width</i>	<i>8.0 Metres – 9.0 Metres</i>
<i>Concrete Apron both sides</i>	<i>1metre long x 150mm deep to the grid width, reinforced</i>

Consultation

Works Manager, Council

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Amendment to Policy 5.7

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Staff Recommendation

That Council amends Policy 5.7 by adding the following:

<i>Width</i>	<i>8.0 Metres – 9.0 Metres</i>
<i>Concrete Apron both sides</i>	<i>1metre long x 150mm deep to the grid width, reinforced</i>

Resolution No. 88/24

That Council amends Policy 5.7 by adding the following:

<i>Width</i>	<i>8.0 Metres – 9.0 Metres</i>
<i>Concrete Apron both sides</i>	<i>1metre long x 150mm deep to the grid width, reinforced</i>

MOVED: Cr Allison

SECONDED: Cr Kevill

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

Agenda Reference:	CEO 09/24 - 04
Location/Address:	Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant:	Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	17 September 2024
Author:	Peter Money, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

That Council approves the shutdown of the Shire of Sandstone's Operations for the Christmas and New Year Period.

Attachments

Nil

Background

Each year Council closes down its operations for the Christmas and New Year period. It is proposed that the shutdown be from Monday 23rd December 2024 to 1st January 2025, for the Administration and the 3rd January 2025 for the Depot Staff.

Comment

By closing down for this period, staff will have 2 days for travel and shopping before Christmas and return to work Thursday 2nd January 2025 after New Year's Day. Special arrangements for the Post Office for deliveries will be made for the 21st, 28th December if required.

Council meeting for December 2024 is set down for Wednesday 18 the December 2024 to implement any decisions made at that meeting prior to going off on leave.

The Payroll Officer will return to work on the 1st January as this is a pay day, and the Depot staff on the 3rd January as this is their normal shift start.

Consultation

Administration Staff.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Updated Policies.

Financial Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council approve the Christmas shutdown of the Shire's operations from the 23rd December 2024 to the 1st January for Administration Staff and from the 23rd December to the 3rd January 2025 for the remainder of Council's operations.

Resolution No. 89/24

That Council approve the Christmas shutdown of the Shire's operations from the 23rd December 2024 to the 1st January for Administration Staff and from the 23rd December to the 3rd January 2025 for the remainder of Council's operations.

MOVED: Cr Allison

SECONDED: Cr Hodshon

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

Agenda Reference:	CEO 09/24 - 05
Location/Address:	Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant:	Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	17 September 2024
Author:	Peter Money, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

Local Governments are being asked to provide a Council decision on WALGAs advocacy positions as they relate to Local Government Elections, to see if the positions are still current.

Attachments

WALGA Information document

Background

WALGA recently undertook a comprehensive review and analysis of 5 ordinary election cycles up to and including the 2023 Local Government election against the backdrop of legislative reforms to the Local Government electoral process. The review and report focused on postal elections conducted exclusively by the Western Australian Electoral Commission (WAEC), with the analysis finding evidence of the rising cost of conducting Local Government elections in Western Australia.

The report was presented to State Council 4 September 2024, with State Council supporting a review of WALGA's Local Government Elections Advocacy Positions.

Local governments are now being asked to confirm their support or otherwise of the WALGA stated position.

Comment

The WALGA statement is as follows:

The Local Government sector supports:

1. Four-year terms with a two-year spill
2. Greater participation in Local Government elections
3. The option to hold elections through:
 - Online voting
 - Postal voting, and
 - In-person voting
4. Voting at Local Government elections to be voluntary
5. The first past the post method of counting votes

The Local Government sector opposes the introduction of preferential voting, however if 'first past the post' voting is not retained then optional preferential voting is preferred.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Staff Recommendation

That Council confirms its support for the WALGA statement of the Local Government elections process as follows:

1. Four-year terms with a two-year spill
2. Greater participation in Local Government elections
3. The option to hold elections through:
 - Online voting
 - Postal voting, and
 - In-person voting
4. Voting at Local Government elections to be voluntary
5. Vote counting is to be by first past the post method.

The Shire of Sandstone opposes the introduction of preferential voting, however if 'first past the post' voting is not retained then optional preferential voting is preferred.

That WALGA be advised of Council's decision.

Resolution No. 90/24

That Council confirms its support for the WALGA statement of the local government elections process as follows:

1. Four-year terms with a two-year spill
2. Greater participation in Local Government elections
3. The option to hold elections through:
 - Online voting
 - Postal voting, and
 - In-person voting
4. Voting at Local Government elections to be voluntary
5. Vote counting is to be by first past the post method.

SHIRE OF SANDSTONE

The Shire of Sandstone opposes the introduction of preferential voting, however if 'first past the post' voting is not retained then optional preferential voting is preferred.

That WALGA be advised of Council's decision.

MOVED: Cr Lefroy

SECONDED: Cr Allison

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

10.2 FINANCIAL REPORTS

10.2.1 Financial Statement for the month of August 2024

91/24

Agenda Reference:	F 09/24 – 01
Location:	Shire of Sandstone
Applicant:	Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	11 th September 2024
Author:	Debby Barndon, Accountant

Summary

The Statement of Financial Activity report for the month ending 31^s August 2024 is presented to Council in accordance with *Regulations 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

Attachments

10.2.1 (1) Financial Statements August

10.2.1 (2) Detailed Statements August

Comments

Total Income reports a 0.75% variance on anticipated budget expectations.

Total Expenditure shows a variance of 3.46%.

Further explanations of variances at sub program level can be seen within the financial statements.

Capital Expenditure

A detailed look at capital expenditure can be found in note 8.

Summary of Cash on Hand – Shire of Sandstone on 31^s August 2024

Municipal Cheque Account - On-line (BWA)	\$2,367,242
Municipal Investment Account - On-line (BWA)	\$493
Trust Bank Term Deposit	\$252,187
Cash on Hand	\$1,450
Reserve Term Deposits (Bankwest)	\$5,478,870

Consultation

Chief Executive Officer

Statutory Environment

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 - Regulations 34 (1A) and 17. The Regulations require a Local Government to prepare each month a statement of financial activity, accompanied by relevant documents and that this information must be presented to Council at an Ordinary Meeting within 2 months after the end of the month.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

The Financial Activity report is presented monthly and provides a retrospective picture of the activities at the Shire. Contained within the report is information pertaining to the financial cost and delivery of strategic initiatives and key projects.

To mitigate the risk of budget over-runs or non-delivery of projects, the Chief Executive Officer has implemented internal control measures such as regular Council and management reporting and a quarterly process to monitor financial performance against budget estimates. Materiality reporting thresholds have been established at half the adopted Council levels, which equate to \$10,000 for operating budget line items and \$10,000 for capital items, to alert management prior to there being irreversible impacts.

It should also be noted that there is an inherent level of risk of misrepresentation of the financials through either human error or potential fraud. The establishment of control measures through a series of efficient systems, policies, and procedures, which fall under the responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer as laid out in the ***Local Government (Financial Management Regulations) 1996*** regulation 5, seek to mitigate the possibility of this occurring. These controls are set in place to provide daily, weekly, and monthly checks to ensure that the integrity of the data provided is reasonably assured.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That in accordance with Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, the Statement of Financial Activity and the Investment Report for the period ending 31st August 2024 be received, and all other statements noted.

Resolution No. 91/24

That in accordance with Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, the Statement of Financial Activity and the Investment Report for the period ending 31st August 2024 be received, and all other statements noted.

MOVED: Cr Allison

SECONDED: Cr Lefroy

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINSTS:

Agenda Reference:	F 09/24 – 02
Location:	Shire of Sandstone
Applicant:	Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	11 th September 2024
Author:	Debby Barndon, Accountant
Senior Officer:	Peter Money, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

Presented for Council's information is the list of accounts paid in August 2024 from the Municipal Fund and Trust Fund in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*. Payments made through the corporate credit cards as well as income from the Caravan Park and Fuel Sales are included as attachments.

Attachments

- 10.2.2 (A) List of Accounts paid via EFT August
- 10.2.2 (B) List of Accounts paid via Direct Debit August
- 10.2.2 (C) List of Accounts paid via Cheque N/A
- 10.2.2 (D) Corporate Credit Card Payments August
- 10.2.2 (E) Caravan Park Takings August
- 10.2.2 (F) Town Fuel Sales August
- 10.2.2 (G) Rates Reconciliation August

Background

Council has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power under Financial Management Regulation 12 to make payments from Municipal Fund and Trust Fund.

The *Financial Management Regulations (Regulation 13 (3))* requires a schedule of payments made through the Shire's bank accounts to be presented to Council.

The lists include details for each payment made incorporating the payee's name, amount of payment, date of payment and a brief transaction description.

Comment

Invoices supporting all payments are available for inspection. Queries regarding any payment should be made through the Chief Executive Officer to the staff member who handles the financial transactions prior to this meeting.

All invoices and vouchers presented to Council have been certified as to receipt of the goods or services and that the amounts shown were due for payment.

Monthly Table of Payments

Month	Cheque	EFT's	Direct Debits	Credit Card	Payroll	Total Payments
July	\$ -	\$ 222,009.02	\$ 61,547.84	\$ 3,287.28	\$ 205,649.08	\$ 492,493.22
August	\$ -	\$ 808,648.91	\$ 49,377.42	\$ 2,787.73	\$ 174,365.89	\$ 1,035,179.95
September						\$ -
October						\$ -
November						\$ -
December						\$ -
January						\$ -
February						\$ -
March						\$ -
April						\$ -
May						\$ -
June						\$ -
Totals	\$ -	\$1,030,657.93	\$110,925.26	<u>\$ 6,075.01</u>	\$ 380,014.97	\$ 1,527,673.17

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Financial Management (Local Government) Regulations 1996 – Regulation 12

Policy Implications

Payments have been made under Council delegation.

Financial Implications

None, funds were available to meet the expenditure.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation

That the schedule of accounts paid during August 2024 as listed, covering Cheques, EFTs, Bank Charges, directly debited payments and wages as numbered from Councils Municipal Fund Bank and Council's Trust Fund Bank be endorsed by Council.

Resolution No. 92/24

That the schedule of accounts paid during August 2024 as listed, covering Cheques, EFTs, Bank Charges, directly debited payments and wages as numbered from Councils Municipal Fund Bank and Council's Trust Fund Bank be endorsed by Council.

MOVED: Cr Lefroy

SECONDED: Cr Kevill

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

10.3 WORKS AND SERVICES

10.3.1 Works Manager's Report August 2024

93/24

Agenda Reference:	WM 09/24 - 01
Location/Address:	Various - Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant:	Shire of Sandstone
File Reference:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	14 th September 2024
Previous References:	Nil
Author:	Patrick O'Brien, Works Manager

Summary

To provide Council with an Activity Report on the operations of Council's Infrastructure Division since the last meeting.

Attachments

None

Background

Below comprises a summarised activity progress report relating to outside staff and road works construction and Maintenance crew, within council's operation since last meeting.

Comment

Construction

Road works crew on Sandstone / Yeelirrie Road - RN 7010010 are continuing. Some staff have been off at various times due to leave. Works are primarily from SLK 42.70 to 88.30. Gravel calcrete sheeting works are approximately 5.5 kms total, consisting of pulling in and reforming of road formation. This includes approximately 1.75kms – some sheeting material had been previously laid out has been re-mixed.

Still require additional chevron signs for grids on the Meekatharra Road – these are on order and awaiting delivery.

Clean sand is also being sourced at Kaluwiri Access Road and trucked into Town stockpile laydown area for backfill of trenching, septic etc - ongoing whilst sand / crew are available.

Maintenance Grading

Contract maintenance Grader has completed Paynes Find back up to Youanmi and has progressed down to the bottom of Lake Barlee Rd – RN 7010008. Council's Maintenance Grader has also completed down to Youanmi and is currently on Menzies Road - RN 7010003.

Town works / Gardens / Council projects

Pioneer Park - the lower pool style fencing is expected this week.

Reo mesh for concrete works has been ordered - delivery expected soon.

Caravan Park new units – Verandas and carport are nearing completion. Septic / plumbing works – quotes have been received and we are awaiting a bigger excavator to ensure septic tank hole required depth can be achieved. Concrete tank and leach segments – quotes have been received.

Median strip works are nearing completion. Reticulation in Pioneer Park – we are utilising existing PVC piping from previous attempt - on-going.

Investigation into costing of servicing of all Council's house's reticulation systems.

Concreting of various projects – sourcing of quotes is on-going.

Clean up of rubbish and mowing of grass in Truck bay at rear of Caravan park – ongoing.

Post Office Café house kitchen sink has had a new drain / concrete leach segment installed.

Rubbish tip – new signage – still awaiting order – have followed up.

Youanmi Road condition sign for intersection – still awaiting order – have followed up.

Plant Maintenance/ workshop

Replacement dual cab Hilux for leading hand / road crew has been ordered – delivery expected end of September.

Auto electrician has been utilised in conjunction with Cue / Mount Magnet Shires to rectify several faults and check air conditioners in Machines.

Council's air conditioner units servicing in all buildings – sourcing of quotes is on-going. Following up on quote for new Bore Boss – nearing completion.

Consultation

Not applicable

Statutory Environment

Not applicable

Policy Implications

Not applicable

Financial Implications

No financial impost is associated with the activity report as it is retrospective

Strategic Implications

Long-term objectives may be developed from time to time

Voting Requirements

Not required

Officer Recommendation

That the contents of the Works Manager’s Report be accepted by Council.

Resolution No. 93/24

That the contents of the Works Manager’s Report be accepted by Council.

MOVED: Cr McQuie

SECONDED: Cr Hodshon

CARRIED (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

11 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

13 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

Cr Walton requested to bring item to the table.

MOVED: Cr McQuie

SECONDED: Cr Hodshon

13.1 OFFER TO PURCHASE RESIDENTIAL LAND

94/24

Agenda Reference: CEO 09/24 - 06
Location/Address: Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant: Alan Gilbert
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 26 September 2024
Author: Peter Money, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

The item recommends Council makes an offer to purchase 6 Griffith Street Sandstone.

Attachments

Nil

Background

Council had shown interest in purchasing 6 Griffith Street but before any decision was made it was sold to the person who is now the applicant.

Comment

The applicant who is the owner of recently purchased vacant land at 6 Griffith Street sandstone is unable to move to Sandstone as planned. As a result he has asked Council if it wants to purchase the land.

It is suggested that Council makes an offer of \$20,000 which is a fair price for this land.

Consultation

DCEO Tracey Weiss

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

This is an unbudgeted expenditure

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council authorises unbudgeted expenditure of \$20,000 to make an offer to purchase vacant land at 6 Griffith Street Sandstone.

That Council makes an offer to purchase 6 Griffith Street Sandstone for the sum of \$20,000 and transfer fees to be paid by the Shire.

Resolution No. 94/24

That Council authorises unbudgeted expenditure of \$20,000 to make an offer to purchase vacant land at 6 Griffith Street Sandstone.

That Council makes an offer to purchase 6 Griffith Street Sandstone for the sum of \$20,000 and transfer fees to be paid by the Shire.

MOVED: Cr Lefroy

SECONDED: Cr Hodshon

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY (6/0)

FOR: Cr Walton, Cr McQuie, Cr Hodshon, Cr Lefroy, Cr Allison, Cr Kevill

AGAINST:

14 MEETING ITEMS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Nil

15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

16 TIME and DATE of NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 24th October 2024.

17 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Shire President closed the meeting at 2.45pm.

18 CERTIFICATIONS

I, _____, certify that the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22nd August 2024 as shown, were confirmed as a true and accurate record at the Meeting held on 26th September 2024.

(Presiding Member)