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Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Freebairn Recreation Centre on Wednesday 15 April 2015 commencing at 1.02pm

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The President of the Shire welcomed all present and declared the meeting opened at 1.02pm

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Attendance

JM Sullivan	President	East Ward
BD West	Vice President	West Ward
RD Duckworth	Councillor	West Ward
MJ Ledwith	Councillor	West Ward
G Robins	Councillor (from 2:20)	Town Ward
HT McInnes	Councillor	Town Ward
R O'Brien	Councillor	Central Ward
BP Taylor	Councillor	Central Ward
G Hadlow	Chief Executive Officer	
C Vandenberg	Deputy CEO	
N Thompson	Executive Support Officer / Minutes	
M Martin	CRC Manager	
G Whisson	Special Projects Officer	
L Hobson	Manager of Works (from 4:08pm)	

Apologies

R Bowey	Councillor	Town Ward
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3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

As there were no members of the public present, there were no questions asked.

4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

01/0415

Moved Cr McInnes Seconded Cr O'Brien that Cr Ledwith be granted Leave of Absence for the May Meeting.

Carried 7/0

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Shire of Kulin Ordinary Meeting – 17 March 2015

02/0415

Moved Cr Duckworth Seconded Cr West that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 March 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried 7/0

Kulin Bush Races Meeting – 10 March 2015

03/0415

Moved Cr O'Brien Seconded Cr West that the minutes of the Kulin Bush Races Meeting held on 10 March 2015 be received.

Carried 7/0

RoeROC Council Meeting – 26 March 2015

04/0415

Moved Cr Duckworth Seconded Cr Ledwith that the minutes of the RoeROC Council Meeting held on 26 March 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried 7/0

6.1 List of Accounts – March 2015

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: DCEO
FILE REFERENCE: 12.06
AUTHOR: DCEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:

SUMMARY:

Attached is a list of accounts paid during the month of March 2015 for Council's consideration.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

STATUTORY AND PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Nil

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That March payments being cheque No's 1679 (Bush Races), 36293 - 36317 (Municipal), EFT No's 9544 – 9687 (Municipal), credit card payments, creditor payments, and other vouchers from the Municipal Fund totalling \$803,553.60 be passed for payment.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

05/0415

Moved Cr O'Brien Seconded Cr Ledwith that March payments being cheque No's 1679 (Bush Races), 36293 - 36317 (Municipal), EFT No's 9544 – 9687 (Municipal), credit card payments, creditor payments, and other vouchers from the Municipal Fund totalling \$803,553.60 be passed for payment.

Carried 7/0

6.2 Financial Report March 2015

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: DCEO
FILE REFERENCE: 12.01
AUTHOR: DCEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:

SUMMARY:

Attached are the financial reports for the period ending 31 March 2015.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

STATUTORY AND PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 requires local governments to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure of funds for the month in question.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Nil

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorse the monthly financial statements for the period ending 31 March 2015.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

Unfortunately with the budget review time did not permit the March Monthly's to be finalized. In reality the budget review covers to the end of March anyway. Formal adoption of the March Financial report can be covered at the May meeting.

6.3 Pingaring Community Dam

NAME OF APPLICANT: CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CEO
FILE REFERENCE: 32.01
AUTHOR: CEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

SUMMARY:

As advised in my CEO report in March the Pingaring Community Dam project will not be proceeding. I have information from the Department of Water that they are preparing a report to the Minister seeking a variation on our original grant for Pingaring by transferring these funds to the Dudinin Drought Proofing project.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

As advised DER have made it very difficult for the project to proceed by not allowing the necessary clearing to take place on the reserve where the dam is proposed to be sited.

I hope to have confirmation from the Department that the grant funds can be transferred from Pingaring to Dudinin by the meeting date and I therefore seek Council authorisation for this to occur.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Should Council agree to the change of the funding arrangements I will need to notify the Pingaring community that the community dam has been put on hold.

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorse the action by the Department of Water in seeking approval from the Minister of Water for the grant funds originally allocated for the construction of a community dam in Pingaring to be transferred to fund the upgrade of the public dam in Dudinin.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

06/0415

Moved Cr Duckworth Seconded Cr West that Council endorse the action by the Department of Water in seeking approval from the Minister of Water for the grant funds originally allocated for the construction of a community dam in Pingaring to be transferred to fund the upgrade of the public dam in Dudinin. It was further resolved that Council supports the construction of a dam in the Pingaring area, for stock watering purposes, however the project must be community driven to ensure full community support.

Carried 7/0

6.4 Monthly Council Meeting Format

NAME OF APPLICANT: CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CEO
FILE REFERENCE: 13.03
AUTHOR: CEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

SUMMARY:

The Shire of Kulin has run our meetings using the same format for a number of years now and I wish to request Council consideration in changing that format so we are more in line with the meeting procedure requirements as outlined in the Dept. of Local Governments Operational Guidelines covering the Preparation of Agendas and Minutes and Council Forums.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

Before proceeding I would like to point out that nothing contained in this report is intended as a criticism, it is more an observation on how we can run more effectively. And while our meeting system has worked reasonably well over a long period of time there are some matters that need to be addressed so as to be more in line with the Local Government Departments operational guidelines as mentioned above.

The following are some pros & cons of considering change:

- At times I get the impression that if a matter is raised by a Councillor, either within the course of discussing agenda items already listed or during the Councillor report session, and limited/no discussion is held then the Councillor responsible assumes that action will be taken on the matter raised. This can leave staff confused over whether the matter is an individual's opinion or in a roundabout way a decision of Council.
- The format of our meeting at present does not comply with the Guidelines issued by the Department. While there is no requirement to comply the guidelines were prepared in liaison with a number of senior practitioners from Local Government.

The following is an extract from the index of the guidelines:

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- I have attached a copy of the Local Government Operational Guidelines for Council Concept Forums which is what I propose as a session prior to the commencement of the meeting where Officers report, Councillor reports and other matters are considered in an informal matter and are not included as part of the minutes.
 - *Please refer to page 3 of the attachment which outlines the idea of concept forums. It is also important to note that Concept Forums must not involve any decision making process as any meeting where a decision is to be made must be open to the public to ensure accountability, openness and transparency.*
- If a Councillor wishes to proceed further with a matter raised at a concept forum there is an opportunity for that Councillor to foreshadow that they wish to introduce a new matter of urgency into the meeting proper or alternatively they may request that an agenda item be prepared by an officer for the next monthly Ordinary Meeting.
- I have spoken to a number of other CEO's and the general consensus has been that meetings have been shortened considerably with the introduction of the informal or concept forums.

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- Is it a possibility, under the current agenda procedures, that some Councilors may not raise issues as they are unsure of the level of support they will receive? The concept forum session will allow a particular matter to be discussed openly without necessarily resulting in a decision being required.
- It is important to note that no discussion should be permitted on an agenda item during the concept forum.
- If the concept forum model is adopted we need to consider how to go about the current Councilor reports. Obviously the proposed system does not allow for Councilor complaints/work requests/ratepayer queries to be noted as we do now and I do not see this as a necessity for such reports to be included in the minutes. It is therefore important that if a Councilor wishes something to be done then it must be raised either by request for an officers agenda item or an elected members item. A template is available for this purpose.
- At the recent training session attended by Cr Bowey she did comment that the Dept. of Local Government regularly check minutes posted on our websites and it is probably only a matter of time before they are in touch to question our agenda/minutes structure.
- I have spoken with Martin Whitely who has recently been involved in a probity audit by the Department. The Shire of Wandering had basically adopted our agenda template and the comment was passed that it was not satisfactory.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

Our current agenda and minute format does not comply with the guidelines issued by the Department of Local Government and while there is no requirement to change it can be argued that our current arrangements are not good governance.

I will have available a copy of the guidelines for Councillors to take and read at their leisure or alternatively if a copy is required prior to the meeting please contact Nicole at the Office.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Nil

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council introduce change to our Meeting Agendas and Minutes so they are brought more into line with the guidelines released by the Department of Local Government to ensure we are meeting minimum standards in relation to good governance.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

07/0415

Moved Cr Taylor Seconded Cr O'Brien that Council introduce change to our Meeting Agendas and Minutes so they are brought more into line with the guidelines released by the Department of Local Government to ensure we are meeting minimum standards in relation to good governance.

Carried 7/0

6.5 Meeting with Uniqco – Plant/Fleet Management

NAME OF APPLICANT: CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CEO
FILE REFERENCE: 23.02
AUTHOR: CEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

SUMMARY:

Council representatives (Crs West and Robins and staff CEO, Manager of Works and Tech Officer) met with Grant Andrews, Uniqco, John Donnelly, Plant Manager Main Roads WA and James Trail to discuss future plant management systems.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

I have attached copies of information I have received back from the various parties since the meeting and although not completely self-explanatory it does give us an idea of what improvements to our plant management system will achieve or possibly lead to.

The following is a summary of our discussions on Friday 20 March 2015. The idea of a plant management system is:

- To provide information on vehicle servicing and repairs,
- Provide information on what plant hire rates we should be using in our plant allocation system,
- Provide reports on under-utilisation of existing plant, and
- Provide information on optimum replacement regimes and fuel usage.

I guess the main thing we will need to consider is the cost of the system and once I have further information I will include it as part of budget deliberations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There will be a cost for using the Uniqco system and this can be considered during the 2015/16 budget deliberations.

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Nil

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

A plant management system will enable us to better manage our plant fleet and obviously can be used to ensure our labour force is using this to our best advantage.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council include for consideration the purchase of a Plant Management system from Uniqco in our 2015/16 budget deliberations.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

08/0415

Moved Cr West Seconded Cr Taylor that Council include for consideration the purchase of a Plant Management System from Uniqco in our 2015/16 budget deliberations.

Carried 7/0

6.6 Silver Nightshade

NAME OF APPLICANT: CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CEO
FILE REFERENCE: 11.04
AUTHOR: CEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

SUMMARY:

Bruce Wittber has written to advise that the Central Zone, WALGA, has considered the motion we submitted to the last zone meeting as follows:

“That the Central Country Zone support the affected member Councils in any application to have Silver Nightshade declared a declared species and that the Executive Officer make appropriate representation following discussions with affected member Councils”.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

While the Zone did support the concept of declaring the weed there has not been a big uptake of Councils who believe they have a problem (see attached email).

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Accordingly the Executive Officer is now seeking feedback on “where to from here”. In view of the problem the Kulin area has with the weed we need to respond that we do need Zone assistance in trying to have the weed declared however in view of the limited interest it is likely that we will have to push pretty hard for it to proceed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There may be some impact in that the Council would be required to meet the cost of spraying roadsides in the district if the weed is declared.

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Nil

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council advise the Central Country Zone Executive Officer that we feel that an application to declare the weed Silver Nightshade a declared species is likely to have more impact if the application was to be submitted by the Zone on behalf of affected Council areas.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

09/0415

Moved Cr Duckworth Seconded Cr West that Council advise the Central Country Zone Executive Officer that we feel that an application to declare the weed Silver Nightshade a declared species is likely to have more impact if the application was to be submitted by the Zone on behalf of affected Council areas.

Carried 7/0

6.7 Review Of 2014-2015 Annual Budget

NAME OF APPLICANT: DCEO
FILE REFERENCE: 12.04
AUTHOR: DCEO

SUMMARY:

Regulation 33A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* requires local governments to carry out, between the 1 January and 31 March in each financial year, a review of its annual budget for that year.

BACKGROUND:

Local Governments are required to conduct a budget review between 1 January and 31 March each year. This is mandatory under Regulation 33A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*. The thrust of the legislation is to ensure local governments conduct at least a single budget review after the half way mark of the financial year and before the completion of the ninth month.

A budget review comprises a detailed examination of year to date actual results with Council's adopted budget. Regulation 33A (2) and (3) of the FM Regulations requires the results of the budget review to be submitted to Council within 30 days of the review. Council is then to give consideration to adopting the review (or part of) and associated recommendations.

Regulations 33A (4) states that within 30 days after Council has conducted its review, a copy and recommendations are to be provided to the Department of Local Government.

COMMENT:

The review is presented in the attached report. The Report seeks to identify and quantify:

- i) the forecast year-end major variances from the adopted budget;
- ii) matters arising not currently included in the adopted budget but which are recommended for consideration of inclusion in the budget;

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The review process has been undertaken having regard for:

- i) actual revenues and expenditures for the first (9) months of the financial year, a necessary indicator to informed forecasts for the remainder of the year;
- ii) forecast revenue and expenditure levels for the remaining (3) months of the year;
- iii) the more significant (in \$ terms) variances to budget rather than the many minor 'unders and overs' which, history has shown, will largely balance out;

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Nil

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accept the recommendations as contained in the *Review of Budget for the period ending 31 March 2015* and adopt the report as presented.

10/0415

Moved Cr Taylor Seconded Cr Duckworth that Council accept the recommendations as contained in the Review of Budget for the period ending 31 March 2015 and adopt the report as presented.

Carried 7/0

Cr Robins entered the Council Meeting at 2.20pm

6.8 Community Cropping Land

NAME OF APPLICANT: CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CEO
FILE REFERENCE: 15.01
AUTHOR: CEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

SUMMARY:

Following the March meeting Council advertised the fact that we are considering an extension of the lease of the land used for cropping purposes, i.e. "Proud's" & the "Airstrip", to the Kulin Kondinin Football Club for a further 3 year period. Public comment was sought on the proposal.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

At the time of preparation of the agenda I have not received any public comment on the proposal. It is therefore recommended that Council proceed with approving the lease extension to the Kulin Kondinin Football Club as requested. I have included a copy of a suggested Community cropping Policy which includes provision of an annual charge of \$10 per hectare.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Council's intent on this matter has been advertised for public comment.

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve the lease extension as requested by the Kulin Kondinin Football Club as follows:

- To extend the lease on the airstrip land for a further 3 year term expiring in January 2018. The intention is to leave the land in pasture during 2015 and then plant cereal crops in 2016 & 2017.
- To extend the lease on "Proud's" land for a further 3 year term expiring in January 2020. The club has been donated 100 tonne of lime and they wish to purchase a further 100 tonne to apply to the property. This is a substantial investment and the club believe they need some guarantees before proceeding with the additional lime purchase.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

11/0415

Moved Cr Duckworth Seconded Cr Taylor that Council approve the lease extension as requested by the Kulin Kondinin Football Club as follows:

- To extend the lease on the airstrip land for a further 3 year term expiring in January 2018. The intention is to leave the land in pasture during 2015 and then plant cereal crops in 2016 & 2017.
- To extend the lease on "Proud's" land for a further 3 year term expiring in January 2020. The club has been donated 100 tonne of lime and they wish to purchase a further 100 tonne to apply to the property. This is a substantial investment and the club believe they need some guarantees before proceeding with the additional lime purchase.

Further that the Kulin Community Cropping Policy be adopted with the following changes:

Management Practices

2. change to "A minimum of 10PPM of phosphate is to be applied each year, subject to soil testing indicating this application is required, and

6. change to "A lime application is to be applied as required in the long term interest of the soil condition."

Carried 8/0

7. COMPLIANCE

Nil

8. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

8.1 Cemetery Upgrade – 2015/16 Budget

NAME OF APPLICANT: Cr Robbie Bowey
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CEO
FILE REFERENCE: 05.03
AUTHOR: Cr Robbie Bowey
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

SUMMARY:

Cr Bowey has requested Council consider restoration of the Kulin cemetery. The project is to include the replacement of the bridge/railing, the gazebo, seating and niche wall. Consideration is to be given for the possible erection of a toilet structure. The restoration is to include relocation of the entrance.

BACKGROUND & COMMENT:

Gazebo

The timber structured gazebo with green colourbond roof was erected around 1979. It has lattice attached to the outside. Water is connected to a fountain in the centre of the gazebo and there is a tap alongside the gazebo. The cement bridge covers a creek and connects the gazebo to the newest part of the cemetery. The bridge has begun to collapse. The niche wall is within the gazebo. The gazebo and niche wall are shabby. There is seating within the gazebo and one seat on the edge of the road. The seating is old and in need of replacement.

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Entrance

The existing main entrance is dangerous, due to the position of the hill which has created poor visibility. The entrance has loose blue metal, making the exit difficult to execute for some drivers. The scheme water pipe is buried at the existing entrance along with another section to the south.

Graves

Where possible, the unmarked graves have been marked with a plaque. This project has been undertaken by the local Lions Club. The Lions Club has also improved the concrete foundations on a number of graves. There are several graves still in need of restoration or repairs.

Middle Entrance

The middle entrance, with seating has been erected by the local Lions Club. This project is not complete, but it is intended to place shade above the two bench seats at this entrance.

For information I contacted a number of surrounding Local Governments and advise that the Shire's of Lake Grace, Quairading, Narembeen, Corrigin and Dumbleyung have toilets at their cemetery. Williams, Beverley, Kondinin and Wickepin do not.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Will be a 2015/16 budget consideration.

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:

Will be able to work with the Lions Club to undertake any improvements.

WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council resolve to develop a concept plan for cemetery redevelopment with due consideration given to the natural bush setting. And, that Council resolve to include the restoration project of cemetery and cemetery entrance for consideration in the 2015/16 budget discussions.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

12/0415

Moved Cr McInnes Seconded Cr Robins that Council resolve to develop a concept plan for cemetery redevelopment with due consideration given to the natural bush setting. And, that Council resolve to include the restoration project of cemetery and cemetery entrance for consideration in the 2015/16 budget discussions.

Carried 8/0

It was suggested that a mobile toilet setup may be a preferred option rather than constructing permanent toilets at the cemetery.

9. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION AT THE MEETING

9.1 RoadWise Road Crash Trailers

NAME OF APPLICANT: CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: CEO
FILE REFERENCE: 28.17
AUTHOR: CEO
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: Nil

SUMMARY:

The Wheatbelt South (WBS) Road Safety Advisor, Rodney Thornton has researched the option of crash car trailers being built to assist the region in promoting road safety messages at community events and other strategic locations.

The WBS Regional Road Group has been approached in regard to the project with Kulin and Pingelly Shires highlighted as potential locations for the trailers to be hosted for ease of availability and access by other LG's in the region.

In the first instance grant funding will be applied for to assist with the capital cost of the trailers, however in the event this funding is not forthcoming it is envisaged that each of the LG's will contribute to the capital cost of the trailers and the host LG's will be required to license, insure and maintain the trailers. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the LG's will be required to ensure a suitable trailer booking policy is adhered to and any other possible issues regarding the trailers are highlighted to ensure fairness to all LG's involved.

For the purpose of the grant funding applications all participating LG's will be required to present a Letter of Support for the project prior to the end of May 2015.

BACKGROUND:

Currently there are a number of crash car trailers which are registered to the Commissioner of Police and located in strategic locations. Unfortunately the Wheatbelt South region does not have access to such trailers for promotion of road safety messages.

COMMENT:

Nil

STATUTORY AND TOWN PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

In the first instance grant funding is to be applied for by the two host LG's through the Office of Road Safety Funding Program (closing date 5 June 2015) and the RAC (closing date 29 June 2015) with assistance from WBS Road Safety Advisor, Rodney Thornton.

If this funding is not successful each of the LG's in the WBS will contribute to the capital cost of the trailers (2) which is envisaged to be approximately \$1,100 per LG (subject to changes due to quotes running past their due date). The initial license and registration of the trailers are included in this cost.

Ongoing costs to the host LG's is approximately \$235 pa per trailer for the licensing (subject to the weight of the trailer and any increases in licensing costs. Insurance costs are subject the individual LG's insurance policy.

Maintenance of the trailers is to be carried out by the host LG.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple majority required.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council;

- Support the concept of two Road crash trailers being purchased for use in the Wheatbelt South road Region, and
- endorse the CEO's actions in offering the Shire of Kulin to be a host local government for a RoadWise Road Crash Trailer.

13/0415

Moved Cr O'Brien Seconded Cr Ledwith that Council;

- support the concept of two Road crash trailers being purchased for use in the Wheatbelt South road Region, and
- endorse the CEO's actions in offering the Shire of Kulin to be a host local government for a RoadWise Road Crash Trailer.

Carried 8/0

Council adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.28pm resumed at 4:08pm with Len Hobson in attendance.

10. INFORMATION BULLETIN ITEMS / COUNCILLOR REPORTS

President Sullivan

Meetings Attended

26 March – EWPC Meeting in Corrigin

26 March – RoeROC Meeting in Corrigin

28 March – Dudinin Centenary Celebrations – *excellent day and well done to organisers; great feedback on progress of Kulin and the RV area from past residents*

13 April – Regional Road Group Meeting in Wickepin

14 April – Central Agcare Meeting in Corrigin

15 April – Central Country Zone Executive Meeting (phone conference)

Cr West

Meetings Attended

20 Mar – Meeting with Uniqco

Questions Without Notice

Community being proactive with drug education – can we get someone to talk to all our supporting bodies.

Marie suggested SMA (Sports Medicine Australia)

Marie Martin left the Council Meeting at 4:34pm

Len Hobson

Questions Without Notice

Asked Councillors to pass on any suggestions for roadwork in regards to budget preparations – these will be looked at in the next month.

Cr Robins

Meetings Attended

20 Mar – Meeting with Uniqco

Questions Without Notice

More signs required for CBH access – coming from Corrigin (where you hit the ‘T’ road at the end of the bypass) and also a sign at the back of the old saleyards (CBH entrance).

Cr McInnes

Meetings Attended

14 April – Small Business Centre meeting in Corrigin – *will be winding up on 30 June (\$70 - \$80K surplus which will come back to the Shires)*

Questions Without Notice

Dead tree on corner of Stewart and Day St which looks like it is dying and may need removing.

Cr Ledwith

Meetings Attended

28 March – Dudinin Centenary – *was attended by over 300 people. Thanks to Jim for speaking and to the Shire staff for assistance with ground work leading up to the event.*

CEO

Asked if Councillors are still interested in dinner after meetings? *Agreed that Councillors would notify staff in advance if they will not be staying on for dinner.*

NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Council meeting of the Kulin Shire Council is to be held on Wednesday 20 May 2015 commencing at 3:00pm.

CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.49pm.