

**MINUTES OF THE SHIRE OF KOORDA ANNUAL MEETING  
OF ELECTORS HELD ON MONDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2018  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

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1        **DECLARATION OF OPENING**  
Shire President declared the Meeting open and welcomed all in attendance at 7.02pm

2        **PRESENT**  
**Councilors**

George Storer  
Pam McWha  
Jannah Stratford  
Lea Smith  
Buster Cooper  
Ricky Storer

**Staff**

David Burton  
Tracey McMiles  
Charli West  
Debbie West

**Electors**

Colin Strahan  
Colleen Scally  
Merle Henning  
Kim Storer  
Gerry Pauley (arrived at 7.27pm)

**APOLOGIES**

Cr Gary Greaves  
Gerry Pauley (arrived at 7.27pm)

3        Acceptance of the Minutes from 2016/2017 Annual Electors Meeting

<b>Moved: K Storer</b>	<b>Seconded: M Henning</b>
<b>That the Minutes of the 2016/2017 Annual Electors meeting be received and adopted.</b>	
<b>Carried</b>	

4        **BUSINESS Arising from 2016/2017 Annual Electors Meeting Minutes**

**Nil**

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**5 PRESENTATION OF THE 2017/2018 ANNUAL REPORT**

- a. Presidents Report
- b. Chief Executive Officers Report
- c. Financial Report
- d. Auditors Report

<b>Moved:</b>	<b>Cr P McWha</b>	<b>Seconded:</b>	<b>K Storer</b>
<b>That the Annual Report for the 2017/2018 Financial Year including:</b>			
a) <b>Presidents Report</b>			
b) <b>Chief Executive Officers Report</b>			
c) <b>Financial Report</b>			
d) <b>Auditors Report</b>			
<b>be accepted.</b>			
			<b>Carried</b>

**6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**The President requested that questions be limited to items of strategic importance or of concern for a majority of ratepayers rather than just general information.**

**General Questions:**

- C Scally: Rec Ground Upgrade are we still doing Stage 1?  
Shire President: Change rooms are going ahead with change rooms and gymnasium, should be advertised soon.
- C Scally: Will it impact sporting activities?  
Shire President: Should be minimal, we are trying to get as much done as possible before the winter sports.
- Cr G Storer: With other change rooms, it should only impact 3 games, the teams are aware, so we should be able to work with the facilities we have.
- C Scally: Gym – has there been a change of thought with Ashley Taylor in town?  
Shire President: No, it will still go ahead.
- C Scally: What is the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Route?  
Shire President: Advised of details of the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network and all the Shires that are involved. 42 Local Governments involved. \$500m project, \$130m has been applied for to complete stage 1.
- C Scally: As it covers freight routes, does it include rail?  
Shire President: No, it is roads only. The Main Roads RARF project is looking at rail and inter-modal routes.
- Colin Strahan: Where are we at with the extra land for museum?

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CEO	The South West Native Title Agreement has been signed. There is a period where it can be challenged, but after that, all native title should be extinguished and the request for the land can go through.
Colin Strahan	Term Deposits Report in the Agenda – we no longer show interest rates. Also have we looked at using other banks such as Police and Nurses?
CEO	Generally investments are with Bendigo Bank, we only use main banks to ensure the safety of the funds. Quite often the cost of transferring funds between banks negates the benefit of the interest rate, but we will look into it.
C Scally	P10 of the Annual Report, mentions about structural reform, is there anything happening with this?
Shire President	Amalgamation is off the table, but we don't know about the future, so Council is always aware of it.
C Scally	P13 of the annual Report –Insurance Claim for Speakers for Drive In, will they be workable and how will it be connected?
Shire President	The Speakers will be hard wired similar to the original speakers.
CEO	The Speakers had to be made in America and are about to be shipped across.
C Scally	P14 of the Annual Report mentions about possible railway line closures.
Shire President	Information previously received about rail lines was that ballast was low quality and was not long term. it is just a notation to keep Council aware of the issue.
C Scally	NRM Officer, funds have been allocated but do we have an officer?
Shire President	Not currently, as other local government are not involved in a joint officer it is not viable, however services can be provided by Wheatbelt NRM.
C Scally	Caravan Park – the showers have hooks, but no benches.
Shire President	Can we do strategic questions rather than minor items which can be raised with staff?
C Scally	Where is Sayer Street for Industrial Units?
Shire President	Sayer Street is between the Shire Depot and CBH Depot.
C Scally	Health – Where are we at with the Doctor and services?
Shire President	Current Doctor still works with Dr Emmanuel, our stipulation is for a Doctor, does not specify who. Dr Emmanuel is still running the practice but has the current Doctor to assist.
C Scally	Recycling – has the Shire considered compostable plastic bags due to the plastic bag ban?
Shire President	This has not been looked at, we would rather leave it to businesses.
C Scally	The consideration of the Koorda Emblem, where is that at?
CEO	An item will be going to Council this month with regards to the Logo.
Colin Strahan	As CEO is leaving – I wanted to express thanks for effort given to Koorda for the Shire and also other community based services. I would also like to thank the

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- Councillors and the work that they do. I am a little concerned about how we will go in the future with diminishing numbers.
- Shire President      Noted
- Merle Henning      I would like to reiterate Colin Strahan's comments and thank Council, CEO and staff for their efforts in providing services to the town.
- C Scally  
Shire President      Will someone be available to take over from CEO when he finished  
We will be re-advertising in late January, will have the Manager of Finance and Administration as CEO for part of January and an Acting CEO towards the end of January to carry through to new appointment.
- Shire President      On Councils behalf would also like to thank David and Ronni Burton for their involvement to the community as well as David's involvement with the Shire. He has helped with the community and I believe we have been very lucky, and would like to thank Colin and Merle for their kind words. I would also like to thank the Council for their support and efforts over last 12 month.

*Gerry Pauley entered 7.27pm*

- M Henning      When I came back into town the other night I found it bright and clean and was a pleasure to go through town. This was also mentioned to me by a stranger.
- Shire President      Thanks for those comments. I spoke to the Shire President from Moora who recently compliments our town as well.
- CEO      We will pass that on to the staff.

**7. CLOSURE**

The Shire President declared the meeting closed at 7.28pm and invited all in attendance to refreshments.

<p>These minutes were referred to the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21 November 2018.</p> <p>Signed .....</p>
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