

**MINUTES OF THE SHIRE OF KOORDA ANNUAL MEETING
OF ELECTORS HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2017
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

1 **DECLARATION OF OPENING**

The Shire President, Cr FJ Storer, welcomed all electors and declared the meeting open at 7.02pm.

2 **PRESENT**

FJ Storer	Shire President
PL McWha	Deputy Shire President
RDG Storer	Councillor
JM Stratford	Councillor
BG Cooper	Councillor
L C Smith	Councillor (<i>from 7.33pm</i>)

DN Burton	Chief Executive Officer
LD Foote	Manager of Finance and Administration

Electors:
C Scally
M Henning
D Greenham

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from: Cr Gary Greaves. Gerry Pauley.

3 Acceptance of the Minutes from 2015/2016 Annual Electors Meeting

Moved: C Scally

Seconded: Cr P McWha

That the Minutes of the 2015/2016 Annual Electors meeting be received and adopted.

Carried

4 **BUSINESS Arising from 2015/2016 Annual Electors Meeting**

Nil

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5 PRESENTATION OF THE 2016/2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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

Moved:	Cr Stratford	Seconded: Cr Cooper
That the Annual Report for the 2016/2017 Financial Year including:		
a) Presidents Report		
b) Chief Executive Officers Report		
c) Financial Report		
d) Auditors Report		
be accepted.		
		Carried

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

G Storer : CBH - Have we had information on major movements?

Cr Storer: We have not had notification of any major transfers only domestic transfers.

CEO: When we spoke to CBH recently, they indicated they wanted to shift most on rail.

C Scally: Are CBH under an obligation to advise Council of transfers?

President: No, more a moral obligation to keep Shire advised.

C Scally: Community cropping, was there anything put in this year?

President: Only sporting groups if anything was put in.

C Scally: Councillor training, is it still being pushed?

President: It is being considered to become compulsory under the Local Government Act review, but we are also looking at training in Shire to make it easier for Councillors to attend.

C Scally: The financial understanding of Councillors', has this improved?

President: It has a bit, the Shire held a training course for Councillors' to better understand the information in the financial reports and how to read it.

M Henning: HACC Services, have we had further information?

President: Not as much as we could, it has been difficult to follow since the change to the system. This will be looked at a little closer. With the additional CEACA Houses, it may also allow for more development in this area and has been raised as a concern by the CEACA project.

C Scally: Is there a possibility of Public Transport service to Koorda?

CEO: Advice from PTA is no service is available.

C Scally: For the last 3-4 weeks, there has been a problem with radio.

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CEO: We have not been made aware if this, we will look into further. Quite often it can be interference from an electrical device.

C Scally: Where are we at with NBN?

CEO: NBN is satellite, NEWROC is installing wireless system which should be installed by March. This will give a better service with plans of 500gb to 1tb.

Cr Storer: Does Telstra still service landlines? Currently having a problem with noise on line.

CEO: We have been advised that Telstra will be servicing landlines until other services available (ie Perth areas NBN fibre). Would suggest contacting Telstra for a technician. We have experienced a similar problem with water in the mine.

Cr L Smith entered 7.33pm

C Scally: Was there a payout to former DCEO?

President: This is a personal matter and not available for discussion.

C Scally: How is the Doctor going?

President: All going well as far as we are aware of. We receive a lot of positive feedback of our Doctor and we hope his services will continue for a long time.

C Scally: Hospital, is it going to get downgraded?

President: Not that we are aware of. The hospital is looking at local advisory group which will allow for more discussion between the community and the hospital.

C Scally: How are we going with St John volunteers, are there enough?

CEO: That needs to come from St John's.

C Scally: Have we had any interest in businesses in town or for the industrial lots?

President: A new business moved into Old Bank Building, other than that, we have not had any requests for property.

C Scally: Where are we at with Georges building in the main street?

CEO: They have done repairs, and to the best of our knowledge are looking at selling the building.

C Scally: Where are we at with the Recreation Ground, what is happening?

President: We are looking at funding for the project at the moment through Building Better Regions Funding. A public meeting will be held in around March next year to discuss the building and the options.

C Scally: Is the funding for the whole project?

President: Funding was for the construction of the buildings as this was the best funding source and gave us the best return with the most funding from grant sources.

M Henning: Will the March meeting look at what will be required for the building?

President: Funding is for the whole project (buildings) and if successful we will need to look at the full building. The meeting will have a look at what is required and options available based on community expectations.

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M Henning: How is the population going?

President: Based in Census data, it went down a little, but looking at the town we believe it is about the same.

CR Storer: Grading roads, there are some concerns with grading that it may be going to quick and causing issues. Can we do something about this?

CEO: Unfortunately the best time to grade is when the road is damp, so staff do try to do as much as possible when they can. Dry grading is not ideal. We will raise it with the Works Supervisor as it is not ideal to have to do it again also.

D Greenham: Can we get Felgate Road bypass signs?

President: The signs are there and we are working towards lights on the rail way line.

CEO: Our latest information from Main Roads is that the railway lights will be considered as part of the 2020-2025 road works program.

C Scally: Where is the new rubbish tip at?

CEO: We received some information the other day, nearly there and just need to finalise some information.

C Scally: With the extra land for the museum, is this being held up for native title or something else?

CEO: The main hold up is due to South West land claim. When completed, this will extinguish all native title in the area. Unfortunately this will take a little time to finalise.

C Scally: Where are we at with wild dogs, have there been any more reports?

President: CWBA (Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association) is separate group, it is not part of the Shire, but there have been less sightings this year.

7. CLOSURE

The Shire President thanked those for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.02pm and invited all attendees to refreshments.

These minutes were referred to the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20 December 2017.

Signed