

**MINUTES OF THE SHIRE OF KOORDA ANNUAL MEETING  
OF ELECTORS HELD ON THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2016  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

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**1**        **DECLARATION OF OPENING**

The Shire President, Cr FJ Storer, welcomed all electors and declared the meeting open at 7.11pm.

**2**        **PRESENT**

FJ Storer	Shire President
GW Greaves	Deputy President
PL McWha	Councilor
LC Smith	Councilor
BG Cooper	Councilor
DN Burton	Chief Executive Officer
Tracey McMiles	Administration Officer

Electors:  
C Scally, G Pauley, Merle Henning.

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from: Cr SE Boyd, Cr AD Clarke, L Hendry DCEO and Malcolm Henning.

**3**        **Acceptance of the Minutes from 2014/2015 Annual Electors Meeting**

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**Moved: Cr Greaves**

**Seconded: Cr Cooper**

**That the Minutes of the 2014/2015 Annual Electors meeting be received and adopted.**

**Carried**

**4**        **BUSINESS Arising from 2014/2015 Annual Electors Meeting**

**Cr Cooper asked if we had land in mind for the Community Cropping program?  
Cr Storer advised that no land in particular but we would be looking at it.**

**C Scally asked what acreage was being considered?  
Cr Storer advised that no size was set, it would depend on availability and cost.**

**G Pauley asked if it would be close to town?  
Cr Storer advised this would be preference, but would depend on what was available  
and the cost.**

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M Henning raised about HACC concerns from previously and stated that they had improved, but Council may want to advocate for training of HACC Staff  
Cr Storer advised that we will forward this information on where possible.

C Scally asked about the Recreation Survey and what was the result?  
Cr Storer advised that it was mostly positive and suggested need for the upgrade.

C Scally asked if anything had been heard about the CCC Report into licensing?  
Cr Storer advised that no reports had been received.

Cr Cooper asked about the consideration of a 4 in1 bucket?  
CEO advised it had been mentioned to the Works Supervisor but was not considered necessary at the current time.

G Pauley requested an update on the industrial units.  
CEO advised that Landcorp are waiting for funding for the Industrial subdivision.  
Cr Storer advised that the Shire is also seeking funding and would require an expression of interest before proceeding.

C Scally asked for an update on the Anglican Church.  
CEO advised that this is still going through the process for the transfer of land.

**5 PRESENTATION OF THE 2015/2016 ANNUAL REPORT**

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

<b>Moved:</b>	<b>Cr Greaves</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Cooper</b>
<b>That the Annual Report for the 2015/2016 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**

CEO gave an update on the recent dog attack in the Shire advising that the origin of the dogs is still unknown however we have had no dog attacks on stock reported.  
Cr Storer also advised that the Dogger Group had not been advised of any attacks either.

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**C Scally asked about the rules on dogs wandering in farming areas as some people allow their dogs to wander at night?**

**CEO advised that the owners are responsible for their dogs at all times no matter where they are. Farmers also have the right to take action against stray dogs that are on their property.**

**Cr Greaves advised that hobby farmers also have to follow the same rules.**

**M Henning raised about when dogs will need to be sterilized.**

**CEO advised that when regulations are in force, we will be advertising in the local newsletter.**

**Cr Smith asked about the car at the Medical Centre and who is responsible for it?**

**CEO advised that it was the Community Nurses vehicle, but HACC services are allowed to use it if it is agreed upon.**

**General concern was raised that it was not being allowed to be used by the HACC Services.**

**CEO advised that while the Shire retains the keys for the vehicle, we are not responsible for the lending of the vehicle, but we will certainly raise the issue.**

**C Scally raised that the Aged capable units had not landscaping currently.**

**CEO advised that this had been noted and that staff will be looking at putting native plants into the area after the summer season.**

**C Scally asked about the Community Tourism Meetings and will they be happening again?**

**CEO advised that yes, we will be having more next year. Current focus has been on the 100 years celebrations.**

**G Pauley asked for an update on the Community Garden.**

**Cr Smith advised that plants had been planted on the boundary, however more funds are required to establish the gardens**

**C Scally asked why it was located there?**

**CEO advised that there has been an application for funding for the community garden and we are waiting on the result for them to proceed. The location was chosen as it was central to town and the Shire had wanted to do something with the area but had no plans. The idea of the community garden fitted with a use and provided a good location for the garden.**

**Cr Smith advised that they needed good soil for the gardens to grow.**

**Cr Greaves advised the Shire may be able to assist with transporting the soil when funding had been received.**

**Cr Storer advised that the matter will be further discussed with Council to see what can be done to assist the project.**

**C Scally asked about Councilor training as on page 8 of the Annual Report.**

**Cr Storer advised that the Shire has been having sessions in Koorda making it easier for Councilors to attend and will be looking at more training. It will make it difficult to get Councilors if training becomes mandatory.**

**Cr Greaves added that training is becoming essential for local government.**

**Cr Storer advised that courses are not the only qualifications for members also.**

**C Scally asked about NEWROC and the shires working together as reported on page 9**

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**CEO Advised that new legislation is coming through allowing the Shires to form regional subsidiaries, this will likely reinforce the interaction of the Shire through NEWROC.**

**C Scally advised that the region has been having issues with internet services and is there anything the Shire can do?**

**Cr Storer advised that information had been received from Mia Davies MLA that Telstra did have an issue in the area, but this had been corrected. If people are still having issues, the Shire will try and find a point of contact and suggest that people call the contact to report the issues.**

**C Scally asked where we are at with NBN connections?**

**CEO advised that NBN Satellite services were available to the region.**

**C Scally thanked the Shire of being involved in the afternoon tea provided by Madeline Hales and herself recognizing the women of the area.**

**Cr Storer thanked Ms Scally for the comments.**

**G Pauley complimented the Shire on the works at the Cemetery and asked about the new landfill site and cleaning the old site**

**CEO thanked Mr. Pauley for his comments and advised that we are waiting on Regulations to be formed for the new site to proceed. This should be able to happen soon. Then the old site will be cleaned up.**

**M Henning Thanked the Councilors and staff for their efforts and advised that many community members that she had spoken to were pleased with the efforts of the Shire.**

**Cr Storer thanks Ms Henning for the vote of confidence in the Councilors and staff.**

**7. CLOSURE**

*The Shire President thanked those for their attendance and the Councilors and staff for their support through the year and declared the meeting closed at 8.16pm and invited all attendees to refreshments.*

These minutes were referred to the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21 December 2016.

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