



Shire of Victoria Plains

Minutes

FOR MEETING OF COUNCIL'S PLANT AND WORKS COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 24th JUNE
2003 AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS CALINGIRI COMMENCING AT 11.00AM

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 11.00am.

2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

President	Cr M Anspach	West Ward
Councillors	Cr J Kelly	West Ward
	Cr N Smith	East Ward
	Cr D Holmes	South Ward
Chief Executive Officer	Phil Anning	
Works Manager	Allen Kent	
Executive Assistant	Fiona Watson	

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Confirmation

Resolution 199/03

Moved Cr Holmes seconded Cr J Kelly that the minutes of the Plant and Works Committee Meeting held 27TH May 2003 be confirmed.

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3.2 Business Arising

Works Manager - Allen Kent advised that he had met with T Field – Yerecoin regarding Duggan Road.

General discussion was held regarding Duggan Road future works.

It was unanimous that prior to the Plant and Works Committee meeting to be held in July 2003 that an inspection be carried out on Duggan Road before a decision is made on funding for Duggan Road.

It was noted that CBH have already erected the sign referred to in Item W142 from the May Plant and Works Committee meeting.

Chief Executive Officer – Phil Anning is to write to CBH regarding sign.

4 WORKS

4.1 Chief Executive Officer's Report

Location	Calingiri
Name of Applicant	Phil Anning - Chief Executive Officer
File Reference	A1.2.1
Attachment/s	CEO Report (page 5)
Date	16 th June 2003
Author	Phil Anning - Chief Executive Officer

Background

See attached

Comment

See attached

Statutory Environment	Nil
Policy Implications	Nil
Financial Implications	Nil
Strategic Implications	Nil

Resolution 200/03

Moved Cr Smith seconded Cr Holmes that the Chief Executive Officer's report for the Plant and Works Committee Meeting of 24th June 2003 be received.

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4.2 Works Manager's Report

Location	Calingiri
Name of Applicant	Allen Kent - Works Manager
File Reference	A1.2.1
Attachment/s	Works Report (pages 6-7)
Date	16 th June 2003
Author	Allen Kent - Works Manager

Background

See attached

Comment

See attached

Statutory Environment	Nil
Policy Implications	Nil
Financial Implications	Nil
Strategic Implications	Nil

Resolution 201/03

Moved Cr Smith seconded Cr J Kelly that the Works Manager's report for the Plant and Works Committee Meeting of 24th June 2003 be received.

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WORKS

W143 Application Wage Increase

Location	Shire of Victoria Plains
Name of Applicant	John Watson-Bates
File Reference	ST5.6
Attachment/s	Nil
Date	16 th June 2003
Author	Phil Anning - Chief Executive Officer

Background

John Watson-Bates has submitted a claim for a pay increase based on the increased technical and administrative role of the position including the responsibility for the computer program ROMAN 4, increased responsibilities in Depot Management and assistance to the Works Manager.

Currently under the EBA he is on Level 4 which provides an all up base rate of \$37,110.92 per annum. The majority of the Works crew are on Level 4 with Gordon Wood as leading hand on Level 5 \$38,943.40 and Ian Osboine as Works Foreman on Level 6 \$41,059.58.

Comment

I appreciate that the responsibilities of the position have increased as John has been involved in more positions of responsibility such as the ROMANS, and ordering of materials, invoice checking etc.

The request for an increase is therefore supported. The levels are 4 (a) \$38,240.36, Level 5, \$38,943.40 and Level 6, \$41,059.58 per annum.

Statutory Environment	Enterprise Bargaining Agreement
Policy Implications	Nil
Financial Implications	Budgeted Costs
Strategic Implications	Nil

Resolution 202/03

Moved Cr J Kelly seconded Cr Holmes that it be recommended to Council that the Wages of the Storeman – John Watson-Bates be increased to level 5 of the EBA with the increase to take effect from the first pay on or after the 30th June 2003.

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W144 Road Signage for creeks on the Yarrawindah/Mogumber Road

Location	Shire of Victoria Plains
Name of Applicant	Francis J Ronan
File Reference	D9.1
Attachment/s	Copy of letter (pages 8-9)
Date	16 th June 2003
Author	Phil Anning - Chief Executive Officer

Background

See attached letter on pages 8 and 9.

Comment

The signage requested would be the responsibility of Council as the road is a local road.

Statutory Environment	Geographic Names Committee
Policy Implications	Nil
Financial Implications	Costs of signage
Strategic Implications	Nil

Resolution 203/03

Moved Cr Smith seconded Cr J Kelly that it be recommended to Council that signposting be arranged for "Yarrawindah Brook" and "Mt Mary Creek".

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W145 VROC and Road Funding

Location	Central Midlands Region
Name of Applicant	Ray Hooper – Shire of Chittering
File Reference	A1.12.2
Attachment/s	Copy of memo's (pages 10-13)
Date	16 th June 2003
Author	Phil Anning - Chief Executive Officer

Background

At the recent VROC Meeting, Roads Funding was identified as a major issue and Ray Hooper of Chittering and David Senior of Dandaragan were authorised to put out an action plan for the Region. A copy of that memo plus a copy of my response is attached for Committee consideration.

Comment

There is concern at the lack of impact the WALGA Road Rage Campaign is having and it is necessary that some concerted effort be undertaken to at least restore Road Funding to pre 2003/2004 levels and ensure some kind of certainty to funding.

Statutory Environment	Nil
Policy Implications	Nil
Financial Implications	Nil
Strategic Implications	Better Certainty of Funding

Resolution 204/03

Moved Cr Smith seconded Cr J Kelly that it be recommended to Council that the information be received and Council support any action to obtain certainty in future road funding.

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5 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

Resolution 205/03

Moved Cr Smith seconded Cr J Kelly that new business be introduced to Council.

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5.1 Cocking Road

Complaint has been received by Cr Anspach from Mr D Cocking regarding drain cleaning on this road. A request has been made for extra drainage to be installed on the property of A Gould.

Cr J Kelly has inspected this area with A Gould. A Gould does not see any problems with works carried out.

An inspection is to be carried out by Works Manager upon return from Roads Congress.

5.2 Delegation on Roads Funding

Cr Smith enquired if the shire has a delegate attending this meeting. B Llewellyn as President of the Wheatbelt RRG will represent the Shire of Victoria Plains.

5.3 Road Counters

Works Manager - Allen Kent advised that road counter is currently on Yerecoin/Glentromie Road. On average 85 vehicles per day use this road.

5.4 Bolgart East Road

Cr Holmes reported he had received complaints regarding the deterioration on Bolgart East Road.

W146 Vehicle Damage

Location Gabalong West Road
Name of Applicant Nick Scotney
File Reference A2.15.2
Attachment/s Copy of letter attached
Date 24th July 2003
Author Phil Anning - Chief Executive Officer

Background

See attached letter.

Comment

A claim could be made under our Public Liability policy however we are responsible for the first \$300 under that policy.

We are at liberty not to accept liability however Council will recall a recent case in the Eastern states which threw the non feasance position into jeopardy.

Statutory Environment Local Government Act
Policy Implications Nil
Financial Implications Costs applicable
Strategic Implications Nil

Resolution 206/03

Moved Cr Smith seconded Cr Holmes that it be recommended to Council that Mr Scotney be offered the sum of \$300 in recognition of his claim and as a goodwill payment.

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6 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

7 DECLARATION OF CLOSURE

There being no further business the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 12 noon.

Signed this day of 2003

Presiding Member