



Mildura Rural City Council

MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council

5.30pm Wednesday 12 December 2018

VENUE:

**Committee & Council Room
76 Deakin Ave, Mildura**

NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

5:30pm Wednesday 23 January 2019

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GERARD JOSÉ

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

1 PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor read the Council prayer and paid respects to the traditional land owners.

2 OPENING AND WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed the public to this meeting.

3 PRESENT

Councillors

Cr Simon Clemence	Mayor
Cr Jason Modica	Deputy Mayor
Cr Greg Brown	
Cr Anthony Cirillo	
Cr Mark Eckel	
Cr Glenn Milne	
Cr Min Poole	
Cr Gavin Sedgmen	

Officers

Gerard José	Chief Executive Officer
Mandy Whelan	General Manager Development
Martin Hawson	General Manager Community
Chris Parham	General Manager Corporate
Richard Sexton	Manager Corporate Administration

4 APOLOGIES

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2018/0246

Moved: Cr Mark Eckel
Seconded: Cr Anthony Cirillo

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 28 November 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.

CARRIED

6 CONFIRMATION OF ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

In accordance with Section 80A of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act), records of Assemblies of Councillors must be reported at the next practicable Council meeting and recorded in the minutes.

An Assembly of Councillors is defined in Section 76AA of the Act as a meeting at which matters are considered that are intended or likely to be the subject of a Council decision or the exercise of a delegated authority and which is either of the following:

- A meeting of an advisory committee where at least one Councillor is present; or
- A planned or scheduled meeting that includes at least half the Councillors and at least one Council officer.

The record is therefore presented for Council's noting.

2018/0247

Moved: Cr Min Poole

Seconded: Cr Jason Modica

That Council note the Assembly of Councillors records for the following meetings subject to the amendment to remove Mark McMillan, Kerren Miles and Kate Henschke who were not in attendance:

- **Mildura Planning Scheme Review 2018 - 1 November 2018**
- **Finance Advisory Committee Meeting - 6 December 2018**
- **Council Forum - 6 December 2018**

CARRIED

RECORD OF ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS

Assembly Details	Councillor Attendees	All Other Attendees	Matters Discussed	Conflict of Interest Disclosures
Mildura Planning Scheme Review 2018 1 November 2018	Cr Eckel Cr Poole Cr Cirillo Cr Modica Cr Clemence Cr Milne	Martin Hawson, General Manager Community Mark Jenkins, Manager Community Futures Peter Douglas, Strategic Planning Coordinator Phoebe Wilson, Strategic Planner Chad Griffiths, Ethos Urban Consultant	1. Draft Report findings for the Mildura Planning Scheme Review 2018	Nil
Finance Advisory Committee Meeting 6 December 2018	Cr Clemence Cr Modica	Chris Parham, General Manager Corporate Mandy Whelan, General Manager Development David Folvig, Manager Financial Services	1. Tender Award – Provision of Skip Bin Services - Contract 1819/8 2. Tender Award – Waves Filter Replacement – Contract 1819/11	Nil
Council Forum 6 December 2018	Cr Clemence Cr Modica Cr Brown Cr Eckel Cr Milne Cr Poole	Win Scott, Chair Mallee Regional Partnerships Gerard José, Chief Executive Officer Mandy Whelan, General Manager Development Martin Hawson, General Manager Community Chris Parham, General Manager Corporate Richard Sexton, Manager Corporate Administration David Folvig, Manager Financial Services Jody Jones, Community Development Coordinator Mark Jenkins, Manager Community Futures	1. Presentation – Mallee Regional Partnerships Update 2. Budget Review – September 2018 Quarter 3. Presentation – Merbein South Hall 4. Mildura Future Ready – Mildura Riverfront Redevelopment Stage 2 Masterplan 5. Councillor issues and questions	Nil

7 NOTIFICATION OF ABSENCE

Nil

8 MAYORAL REPORT

8.1 MAYOR'S REPORT NOVEMBER 2018

Summary

The following is a report on the activities and functions attended by Mayor, Cr Simon Clemence during the month of November 2018.

2018/0248

Moved: Cr Anthony Cirillo
Seconded: Cr Glenn Milne

That Council note the contents of this report.

CARRIED

9 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

9.1 COUNCILLORS REPORT NOVEMBER 2018

Summary

The following is a report on the activities and functions attended by Councillors during the month of November 2018

2018/0249

Moved: Cr Greg Brown
Seconded: Cr Min Poole

That Council note the contents of this Councillors report for the month of November 2018, subject to the following amendments;

- Cr Anthony Cirillo did not attend the Loddon Mallee Waste and Resource Recovery Group Meeting;
- Cr Brown also attended the Central Murray Regional Transport Strategy Meeting;
- Cr Eckel did not attend the Vision Australia Radio Volunteers Afternoon Tea;
- Cr Eckel attended on behalf of Cr Modica, the opening to the Mungo Print Exhibition, Australian Print Triennial Dinner, and the La Trobe 3rd year Creative Arts Exhibition; and
- Cr Poole also attended the Northern Mallee Leaders Graduation ceremony, the Flo Connect graduation ceremony and the White Ribbon Walk.

CARRIED

10 RESPONSES TO COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS

Responses to Councillors questions asked at the November Ordinary meeting of Council, and provided in the Agenda, were noted.

11 QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

11.1 CR ANTHONY CIRILLO MERBEIN FOOTBALL CLUB FENCING

File Number: 02/01/06

"It has been brought to my attention that out at the Merbein Football Club, there is a piece of fence missing that allows people to enter the facility without paying when events are on. I was wondering if Council could have a report on how much it would cost. There has been an indication it would cost about \$7,500. Is it possible to do this within the budget and what is the cost estimated to be?"

Martin Hawson, General Manager Community advised this matter has been raised through the portfolio meetings, and that the Recreation team are currently liaising with the group to identify an appropriate strategy. It was noted there are a number of processes to be undertaken to fence such a significant area before quotes can be developed. Mr Hawson noted the need to consult and engage with all of the community groups who use the facility, and advised portfolio councillors will be regularly briefed, with a final proposal to come to Council in due course.

11.2 CR MARK ECKEL LOCAL MP ATTENDANCE AT FORUM

File Number: 02/01/06

"Could we discuss at a future Council Forum, whether to invite our current MP Ali Cupper to attend Council Forum's on a quarterly basis to give a report and answer Council's questions?"

Gerard José, Chief Executive Officer advised this matter will placed on the Council Forum agenda for discussion.

11.3 CR GLENN MILNE DEFINED SUPERANNUATION BENEFITS

File Number: 02/01/06

"Given the current state of the stock markets, are we expecting a call on Council for a shortfall in the defined superannuation benefits fund, and if so, are we preparing for it?"

Mr Chris Parham advised the latest report is that DBI currently sits at about 106%, and therefore there was no expectation of a call in the immediate future that Council is aware of. Mr Parham further advised there is commentary regarding this matter in the upcoming management report.

11.4 CR GLENN MILNE**ARTS CENTRE CAFE****File Number: 02/01/06**

"I noticed recently there was an advertisement for a Coordinator or Manager for the Arts Centre Café. Can we have a report on how the café is performing financially?"

Martin Hawson, General Manager Community advised a recent review of operations has identified a steady increase in revenue over time. The appointment that is planned is part of a business case put forward by the Arts Centre to reduce costs by reducing the use of casual staff. Mr Hawson will provide a financial summary at the next Council Forum.

11.5 CR GLENN MILNE**MOTHER'S DAY CLASSIC EVENT****File Number: 02/01/06**

"At the next Council Forum can we please discuss again the Mother's Day Classic event as a fundraiser that the community operates. It does not fit our grants criteria at the moment, but cancer is a big issue in our community. If it does not fit our grants criteria, is there another way that we can help them?"

Gerard José, Chief Executive Officer advised the matter will be listed for discussion at the next Council Forum.

12 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

13 PETITIONS

Nil

14 MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Nil

15 URGENT BUSINESS

15.1 CR GLENN MILNE

CEO REVIEW PANEL MEMBERSHIP

File Number: 02/01/06

Summary

Cr Glenn Milne raised the matter of gender equity of the membership of the CEO Review Panel.

2018/0250

Moved: Cr Glenn Milne

Seconded: Cr Greg Brown

That Council admit the matter to Urgent Business

CARRIED

2018/0251

Moved: Cr Glenn Milne

Seconded: Cr Gavin Sedgmen

That Cr Poole be added to the CEO Review Panel.

CARRIED

16 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

16.1 RSPCA ATTENDANCE

File Number: 02/01/06

"When is the RSPCA coming to Mildura to have a meeting about the missing money?"

Mandy Whelan, General Manager Development advised a written response will be provided as requested.

CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

2018/0252

Moved: Cr Greg Brown

Seconded: Cr Min Poole

The meeting move into Confidential to deal with:

- Any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person;

CARRIED

17 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

17.1 SECTION 89(2)(H) - (ANY OTHER MATTER WHICH THE COUNCIL OR SPECIAL COMMITTEE CONSIDERS WOULD PREJUDICE THE COUNCIL OR ANY PERSON)

- CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2019 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

18 CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.59pm.

Date of Confirmation: 23 January 2019

Signed: _____

Chairperson