

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BARUNGA WEST HELD AT THE BUTE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON DECEMBER 12th 2006 AT 7:00PM

PRESENT:

Cr D Dolling (Mayor), Cr M McDonald, Cr B Rooney, Cr R Smith, Cr T Schkabaryn, Cr I Burgess, Cr L Kerley, Cr S Ireland, Cr G Simmons, N Hand (District Manager), R Linke (Manager – Works) and M Marziale (Manager-Environmental Services)

APOLOGIES:

Cr M Weedon

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No member reported any conflict of interest for any items on the agenda.

CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Cr Smith moved, Cr Kerley seconded,

“that the Minutes of Meeting held on November 21st 2006 be confirmed as printed and supplied.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COUNCIL MINUTES

1. Cr Simmons has requested discussions be held on charging of STED fees on vacant allotments.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Simmons seconded

“that the District Manager be authorised to seek advise from the Local Government Association as to fees payable for STEDS connection on vacant blocks”

CARRIED

2. Advice has been received from Properte Conveyancers, who handled the STED easements for Port Broughton, that the majority of the titles, with easements, that have been outstanding for a lengthy period of time have now been returned from the Lands Title Office and Council should receive these in the near future.

MEMBERS REPORTS

Cr. DOLLING

- 1st December – Port Broughton Progress Association Meeting
- 1st December – KESAB Presentations
- 4th December – School Literacy Awards
- 8th December – CWA Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch
- 8th December – Council Christmas Dinner
- 9th December - RSL Christmas Dinner
- 10 December – Port Broughton Carols by Candlelight
- 11th December – Fire Prevention Meeting Bute
- 11th December – Finance Officer Interviews (Executive Committee)

Cr. ROONEY

- 4th December – Port Broughton Library Writing Comp. Awards
- 8th December – Council Christmas Dinner
- 11th December – Finance Officer Interviews (Executive Committee)
- 11th December – Fire Prevention Meeting Bute

Cr. McDONALD

- 27th November – Port Broughton Area School Governing Council Meeting
- 4th December – Port Broughton Library Writing Competition Awards
- 6th December – Met with District Manager & Cr Kerley to inspect Council residence.
- 8th December – Council Christmas Dinner
- 11th December – Executive Committee Meeting

Cr. SCHKABARYN

- 22nd November – Yorke Peninsula Tourist Association
- 1st December Fisherman's Bay Progress Association Meeting
- 4th December – Port Broughton Progress Association
- 6th December – OHS & W
- 8th December – Council Christmas Dinner

Cr. SIMMONS

- 28th November – Barunga Village Building Meeting
- 4th December – Port Broughton Library Writing Competitions Award Presentation
- 6th December – Bute 2000 Onwards Meeting
- 8th December – Bute Senior Citizens Lunch
- 8th December – Council Christmas Dinner
- 11th December – Bute Sporting Club Meeting
- 12th December – Barunga Village Building Meeting

Cr SMITH

- 4th December – Port Broughton Library Writing Competitions Awards
- 5th December – YP Community Transport Board
- 8th December – Council Christmas Dinner
- 12th December – Road Safety Driving School

Cr BURGESS

- 8th December – Council Christmas Dinner
- 11th December – Executive Committee Meeting

Cr KERLEY

4th December – Pt Broughton Library Writing Competition Award Presentation

6th December – Met with District Manager & Cr McDonald to inspect Council residence in Dalling Street

Cr IRELAND

8th December – Council Christmas Dinner

MEMBERS QUESTIONS

Cr Simmons advised that concerns had been raised the Council Representative not attending the Bute 2000 Onwards Committee Meeting.

Cr Schkabaryn enquired from Crs Kerley and McDonald as to the condition of the Council Residence in Dalling Street following their inspection. Crs. Kerley and McDonald responded

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Rooney seconded

“that the Council implement a policy for periodic inspections of all its Council residences to take place on a 6 monthly basis”

CARRIED

It was agreed for the District Manger to look at a policy in relation to tenancy and inspection agreements.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

“that all committee reports be received.”

CARRIED

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Held on 10th December 2006 to interview applicants for the position of Manager – Administration & Finance.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Smith seconded,

“that Council endorse the appointment of Lawrence “Blue” Jolly as the Manager – Finance and Administration for the Council, on a five year contract”

CARRIED

OHS&W COMMITTEE

Held on 6th December 2006

- **Noted**

MANAGERS REPORTS

Cr Rooney, Cr Smith Seconded,

“That all Officer’s Reports be received.”

CARRIED

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT

1. Council Policies

The Council is required to implement two new policies, which do not require public consultation. These are

- Risk Management Policy
- Councillors Training and Development Policy

Attached to my report are copies of both policies for members consideration. These are model policies that have been amended to reflect our Council’s requirements.

Cr Kerley moved, Cr Smith seconded

“that Council adopts the Councillor Training and Development Policy, and the Risk Management Policy as prepared by the District Manager.”

CARRIED

2. Port Broughton Progress Association

The Port Broughton Progress Association has agreed for the acrylic rendering of the Port Broughton Hall (below the verandah) to be done at a cost of \$12,292.50. This is more than the \$10,000 that the Council was looking to give the Progress Association and the Association will pay the additional amount from their funds. It is my understanding that the Association is going to complete the project (above the verandah) from their own funds.

3. Repairs to Bute Hall

I have arranged for Mr. C.R Marsh to repair the wall on the Bute Hall (toilet wall) that was damaged some time ago, Mr. Marsh will replace the whole wall and paint the repaired walls to enable the repairs to blend in and not be a mismatch. The contractor who damaged the wall will be required to pay a portion of the cost.

Cr Rooney, Cr Simmons seconded,

“that the District Manager go ahead with the repairs to the Bute Hall, as per the quote from Mr. C.R. Marsh”

CARRIED

4. Alteration to Port Broughton office

Prices will be presented to the meeting from two builders for alterations to the Port Broughton office to enable the Manager Works to work in the Port Broughton office. This will involve relocating the meeting room to the Manager – Finance’s office and converting the meeting room into two offices.

It should be strongly noted that this is a very short-term solution and will not cater for any additional staff that Council will require when the time comes. With the legislation requirements for a range of activities that Council does not fully undertake, (e.g. record management, OHS, Risk Management, Development Compliance) Council will have to be aware that these extensions to the office, are not going to be adequate in the near future. We will also be having problems with storage space for our records, in particular the development files.

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Simmons seconded,

“that the quote from Port Broughton Home Improvements of \$6413 be accepted and for the work for alteration to the Port Broughton Council office to proceed”

CARRIED

5. Enterprise Bargaining Awards

As indicated in my last report Council staff have their Enterprise Agreements expire on 31st December (for Administration and Management staff) and 31st March (for construction and maintenance staff). I am seeking Council support for awarding a pay rise to all staff that is equivalent to the current CPI, which was 3.9%.

When the Budget was prepared, an allowance for an increase of 3% was made for the financial year. (This means that for example a 4% increase would mean only 2% increase to Council expenses for Admin staff as pay rise will be for only 6 months).

I seek Council support for awarding a pay increase for all staff with the increased work load being absorbed by existing staff, and better work practices being implemented across the Council, along with the staff working continuously for improvement and cost savings for Council, that they are entitled to a pay increase, which reflects today's cost of living.

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Smith seconded,

“that all Staff be granted a pay increase of 3.9% in line with the current CPI, with the Administration and Managerial staff to take effect as from 1st January 2007 and the construction and maintenance staff to take effect from 1st April 2007”

CARRIED

Cr Schkabaryn requested that the District Manager supply a \$ figure on the additional costs of the pay rises at the next meeting.

6. Citizen of the Year Awards

A number of nominations have been received for the Citizen of the Year Awards and Event of the Year Awards. A summary of these will be available at the meeting for members to consider the winners.

Cr Simmons moved, Cr Kerley seconded

“that Mrs. Helen Taplin be awarded the Port Broughton Citizen of the Year Award for 2007”

CARRIED

Cr McDonald moved, Cr Burgess seconded

'that Barunga West Youth Advisory Committee – "Granny Flat Concert" be awarded as the Port Broughton 2007 Event of the Year'

CARRIED

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Simmons seconded

'that Mrs. Connie Ebsary be awarded the Bute Citizen of the Year 2007'

CARRIED

7. Port Broughton Community Library

I can not give any further update on the progress of the extension of the Library, as I am still waiting for information from the Department of Education and Children Services (DECS).

I have advised the funding body (Department of Transport and Regional Services) of our delay, and I just hope that the funding of the project is not jeopardised by DECS inactions.

- **Noted**

8. OHS&W Self Audit

The Council has recently completed its OHS&W Self Audit with Ms Jodie Wells Smith (our Regional Risk Co-ordinator). The Managers – Finance and Works were involved in this self-audit, and the results will be advised to us possibly in mid March 2007, by the Local Government Workers Compensation Scheme.

This self-audit is part of a process to enable Local Government to keep their self-insured status and not be a part of the State Governments Work Safe SA.

To assist with the administration requirements of OHS&W I have utilized Carolyn Mildren to assist Council, to ensure that we are keeping up to date with our requirements. This will involve at least one day per week as a minimum.

It also represents significant cost savings to the Council's across the State.

- **Noted**

9. Risk Management

Currently I am working through an Action Plan established by our Regional Risk Co-ordinator, which requires Council to undertake a large range of tasks to enable Council to conform with our requirements and to ensure that we can access our rebates, and to keep up the high standard of risk management.

A copy of this Action Plan is attached to my report for member's information. Again Carolyn Mildren will be utilized to assist with administration duties relating to Risk Management.

- **Noted**

10. Asbestos Register

Prior to his department Peter Ward arranged for the Asbestos Register for Council to be completed by Carter Corporation, and for the documentation to be received by Council. Council has over 40 properties that required inspection, with a significant number having some issues that require addressing (some major, some minor).

Council has a requirement for the following to be undertaken:

- A copy of the report of each individual property to be placed at that building for easy accessibility
- Staff and contractor training on identifying asbestos hazards and dealing with the hazard
- Undertake a program to reduce asbestos risks where possible. This requires an allocation of funding each year.
- Annual review of the report, at a much reduced cost

- **Noted**

11. Replacement of Manager- Finance and Administration

Applications for Council's new Manager-Finance and Administration has now closed. Interviews are being held on Monday 11th December and a report will be presented to the meeting (refer Executive Committee report – page3).

Seven applications were received for this position, which reflects the difficulties of attracting senior staff to the rural area nowadays. Talking to other CEO's in the area reflects similar difficulties.

This is an issue that is constantly being reviewed by professional organisations such as the Local Government Managers Australia, of which I am a member, trying to ascertain solutions.

- **Noted**

12. Meeting Dates

The next meeting of Council is scheduled for 10th January 2007. I will be on leave until 5th January 2006 and will have difficulty preparing a full agenda for the meeting, which traditionally has been a small meeting. The Manager Environmental Services will also be on leave during portions of the holiday period.

Cr Kerley moved, Cr Ireland seconded

“that the January meeting of Council be held on 16th January 2007 in lieu of 9th January 2007.”

CARRIED

13. Leave for District Manager

I would advise members that I will be on leave from Tuesday 29th December 2006 and 5th January 2007. However I will be on call during that period should any problems arise.

- **Noted**

FINANCE REPORT -

1. Cheque Listing

The cheque and EFT listing for November 2006 was presented at the meeting.

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Smith seconded

“that cheques numbered 12706-12780 totalling \$97,750.98, and payroll EFTs totalling \$62,235.255 be approved for payment.”

CARRIED

Cr Weedon (through the Mayor) queried the use of Chubb for Fire Extinguisher Inspections and enquired whether a less expensive Contractor be sourced.

District Manager to check as the when current contract expires.

MANAGER OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

1. Approved Development Report -

Assessment Period 1 – 30 November 2006

<u>DA NUMBER</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION</u>
D007/06	HL Clark Pty Ltd	Summerton Rd Pt Broughton	Land Division (1 into2)
D009/06	Stavropolous	Parma Street Pt Broughton	Land Division (1 into2)

Purpose – For a Decision.

To inform Council of Development consents granted under Delegation to the Authorised Officers, and seek Council’s endorsement of the decisions made under delegation.

The limited number of Development approvals for October is directly attributed to the absence of the authorised officer who was on annual leave. Also please note that the listed approvals are for Development Approval and therefore does not include Planning Consents or Building Rules Consents granted separately.

In addition to the approved development listed on the attached **Monthly Report of Building Approvals**, the following Development Applications (Land Divisions and/or Developments Applications) were approved under delegated Authority in the month of **November** 2006:

Cr Kerley moved, Cr Burgess seconded

“that Council endorses the actions taken by the Authorised Officers in granting development approval or Provisional Development Plan Consent pursuant to Section 33 of the Development Act, whereby the development has been assessed against provisions of the Development Plan, and the Building Rules unless otherwise indicated, pursuant to the delegation from Council of 14th June 2005.”

CARRIED

2. ERD Court Appeal by Fisherman's Bay Management – Application DA 344/D006/99 – Delegation of authority to assess for approve Bonding Agreement and Affix Council's Seal.

Purpose – For a Decision

To inform the Council of the progress arising from the negotiations with Fisherman's Bay Management (FBM), and seek approval for delegation of authority to assess and approve the Bonding Agreement for the Waste Water Collection and Treatment System, and for the use of Council's common seal.

Background

At its last Meeting held November 2006, Council resolved to endorse the continuation of negotiations with FBM regarding a number of outstanding matters associated with their application for the freeholding of Fisherman Bay settlement 344/D006/99 and a variation to that consent previously given 344/D006/99V1.

One of the key items in the negotiated position established between FBM and Council, required the signing and use of the Council common seal, in order to execute the Bonding Agreement for the proposed Waste Water Collection & Treatment Plant. The application for the Waste Water Collection & Treatment Plant at Fisherman Bay 344/102/06 is a currently being assessed by the DAC as the relevant authority, who have referred the application to other agencies for comment and/or direction.

Pursuant to Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1999 the application of the Council's common seal requires a resolution by the council.

Discussion

In phone discussions with the Manager EnSvs, Council's solicitor responsible for the drafting of the FB Bonding Agreement, Mr. Peter Fisher, advised that he had not received, from FBMs solicitor, a response to his letter dated 15 February 2006 until the 29th November. Furthermore, that it was not until later that FBMs representative advised Mr. Fisher that there was some urgency to the matter as it was due to be tabled before Council at its December 2006 meeting. This was unacceptably late notice for Council's solicitor was already committed to other matters in the period leading upto Councils December meeting.

Since then, FBM have advised that they are unable to prepare the necessary information for the Bonding Agreement due to delays in the assessment of the FB Waste Water System, being processed by the Coastal Protection Board.

Cr Smith moved, Cr McDonald seconded

“that,

- 1. Council resolves to delegate its authority to assess for approval, the final copy of the Bonding Agreement for the Waste Water Collection and Treatment System by Fisherman's Bay Management P/L and Fisherman's Bay Pipeline P/L, to its Executive Committee, the District Manager and Manager of Environmental Services; and.*
- 2. Council resolves to delegate its authority to affix the Council's common seal in the execution of the final approved copy of the Bonding Agreement for the Waste Water Collection and Treatment System by Fisherman's Bay*

Management P/L and Fisherman's Bay Pipeline P/L, to its Executive Committee, the District Manager and Manager of Environmental Services."

CARRIED

3. ERD COURT ACTION - Appeal by Speck, Symonds & Others- LAND DIVISION DA 344/D009/05- UPDATE

Purpose – For information only

To inform the Council of the progress of the negotiations with Mosel Brown Surveyors acting on the behalf of Speck, Symonds and Others, regarding their appeal of conditions attached to the Approval granted to the land division 344/D009/05.

Following analysis of the proposed dual use of the proposed drainage reserve Lot 107 in the subject land division, by the Managers of Works & En Svs, the applicant was advise in writing that Council would maintain its position, in accordance with the conditions attached to the consent for 344/D009/05, requiring Lot 107 to be vested in Council for the exclusive purposes of a drainage reserve, separate from the Section 50 entitlement for an Open Space Contribution (\$63, 210).

ERD Court Action 93 of 2006: appeal by Speck, Symonds & Others, the conference has been adjourned to 8 February 2006.

4. COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANELS (CDAP) -Update

Purpose - For information

To advise Council of its obligations under the amended Development Regulations, and seek a direction from Council for the delegation of its development assessment powers.

At its last meeting the Council resolved to seek the Minister's consent to the delegate all of it's powers and functions as a relevant authority to Council's authorised planning officer.

Council's executive officers conveyed Council's resolution, supported with statistical data, to the Minister for Planning and Urban Development, but as yet have only received a letter of acknowledgement with advice that the matter is being considered by the Minister.

5. BUILDING CODE COMPLIANCE – Fire protection and setbacks of Carports - Correspondence

Purpose – For information only

To inform the Council of the progress of compliance actions being undertaken with regards to the fire protection provisions in accordance with the Building Code of Australia.

Recent investigations and correspondence, focused around the development of carport structures in Barnes Road Pt Broughton, have exposed a raft of potential liabilities Council wide.

The potential liabilities to Council are due to Building Rules Consents previously granted, in contradiction, or without regard to the relevant building codes, made to protect Class 1 buildings from fire spreading between buildings and across Class 10 Buildings (sheds, Verandahs & Carports).

It is believed at this time, and from general observations, that a considerable number of Class 10 structures have been incorrectly assessed and approved in the past, and now pose a significant liability to Council, both in terms of administration costs and potential claims against Council to correct the subject structures. With regard to this matter, but not exclusive to it, due to ongoing limited resources being budgeted toward compliance of building, planning and public and environmental health matters, the exact extent of potential liabilities cannot be accurately accounted for at this time, leaving it to be dealt with on a case by case basis as necessity dictates.

This matter of resourcing a comprehensive compliance program, has been noted for inclusion in the forthcoming review of Council's Strategic Plan.

6. Execution of Consent Form 2 Under Land Management Agreement – DA 344/D004/06 for H Donnell

Purpose – For a Decision

To advise members of the continuation of the Land Management Agreement No 7587340 documents relating to *Lot 1, 13 PARMA ST Pt Broughton, CT: 5922/9477, HD: Mundoora*, and seek a resolution to affix Council's seal in order to properly execute the documents.

Background

When the original subdivision was proposed on the subject land, between Fisherman's Bay Road and what is now known as Parma Street in Land Division application 344/D002/02 (Stage 3) by Allan Aitchison, Council negotiated an LMA with a commitment by the owners, in order to ensure the owners contribution to the upgrade of mains water supply to the subject land in order that the subdivision could progress.

The subject land was approved for a land division and Council, as the registered beneficiary under the Land Management Agreement, is required to consent to the terms and registration of the LMA over all subsequent titles on the subject land.

A copy of the proposed Land Management Agreement over the subject land is attached to this report.

Discussion

The legal documents relating to the Land Management Agreement require Council's consent, as the LMA shall be to the benefit of Council. This consent includes use of the use of the seal, for which a resolution of Council is required.

The use of the seal will enable the registration of the Land Management Agreement on the new land titles obligating the owners/developers related to the land, intended to ensure the payment of the prescribed \$2000 water upgrade implementation fees. However, the LMA has been superseded as SA Water has taken over control of water augmentation in Pt Broughton, however the LMA will continue to legally apply until it is withdrawn from the effected titles.

Cr. Kerley moved, Cr. Schkabaryn seconded

“that Council’s seal be used in the execution of the Land Management Agreement No 7587340, as shown in the attachment to this report in the Agenda for the meeting of Council held on 11 July 2006, to ensure the payment of the prescribed \$2000 water upgrade implementation fees relating to the creation of the new title, situate Lot 1, 13 PARMA ST Pt Broughton, CT: 5922/9477, HD: Mundoora, in the approved land division application 344/D004/06 by Hayden Donnell.”

CARRIED

MANAGER WORKS REPORTS

1. Request for tree removal

This report is a follow up report to Council from the October Works Committee and is an outstanding issue. This was due to the election process and the fact Council did not hold a works meeting in November. The decision of that meeting was to inspect the trees in question before a decision was made.

Correspondence was received from the residents living on the corner of Florence and George Streets in Bute, asking Council to remove four eucalypt trees. The trees are located on Florence Street within the Council road reserve immediately in front of their premises. Reasons put forward from the residents for the removal include the following:

- Litter from the trees is fouling the house gutters.
- Litter on roof can build up and become a fire risk.
- The trees are dragging all the moisture away from the garden.
- Residents are having difficulty-growing garden under the trees.
- Large limbs pose a risk of damage to residents house and fencing.
- Trees are dirty and residents are continually racking up twigs and leaves.
- Branches are hanging right across the road.

Council’s Maintenance Supervisor and myself have inspected the trees. The height of the trees is between 8 and 12 metres. We estimate the age of the trees to be 15 or more years old and they seem to be reasonably healthy. My understanding is that the trees were planted by one of the town locals.

Delegated authority allows me to remove trees if they are dead, dying or in a dangerous state. In this instance the trees are healthy, subsequently requiring a Council decision.

Photographs of trees attached. Please inspect the trees prior to the meeting so a decision can be made.

Cr Burgess Moved, Cr McDonald Seconded

“That Council remove the four trees in front of the premises at the corner of Florence Street and George Streets in Bute.”

CARRIED

2. Machinery Report

A listing of Council's plant and machinery in relation to condition, hours/kilometres and operational status and repairs was presented.

3. Works

The following is a brief summary of works carried out since the previous Works Meeting held in October 2006.

- Raising rubble for Willamulka Road, cut hills down, cart rubble, rock busting mix and lay out material.
- Wokurna Road spread and compact and trim road.
- Rock bust rubble in quarry for Hawke Crescent.
- McKay Street install box culverts for Chemist car park.
- North Gully Road survey and alignment.
- Strathneath Road repair shoulders and blowouts.
- Herbert Road repair blowouts.
- Tree trimming Broughton Bay Caravan Park, Kerley Street and Alford.
- Driveway repairs Bute.
- Guide posts installed.
- Road signs installed.
- Manufacture Depot Welding bench.
- Kulpara Road & Commons Road intersection sight distance issue.
- Footpath upgrades Bute.
- Bute Dump Road intersection with Snowtown Road sight distance issues.
- Signs installed to Bute Toilets.
- Port Broughton Cemetery row signs installed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Burgess seconded

"that the correspondence be received".

CARRIED

1. Country Fire Service

Asking Council to consider relocating the Home and Community Care vehicle from its present location at the Port Broughton CFS shed, which has an arrangement for part lease of the CFS shed. It is intended that a second vehicle (command vehicle) is to be placed in the shed.

(District Managers Note: The Council paid for the roller door to be electrified and I would expect some reimbursement. The Lions shed at the Port Broughton Depot is a possibility but would require access arrangements)

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Simmons seconded

"that consideration be given to relocating the Home and Community Care Car from the Port Broughton CFS shed to a suitable location and that the CFS be required to assist towards the cost of providing access to any new location for this vehicle."

CARRIED

2. Fisherman's Bay Progress Association Inc

(a) Seeking Council permission for the installation of a drinking tap at the Western Playground area at Fisherman's Bay.

(District Managers Note: I have sought further information regarding costs of the project and have received a response indicating that they will pay for the installation of the tap is Council pays the ongoing operating costs.)

Cr Simmons moved, Cr Burgess seconded,

"Fisherman's Bay Progress Association to go ahead with the installation of the drinking tap at the Western Playground at their expense, and that Council will pay the water usage costs associated with the tap"

CARRIED

(b) Seeking to have Council approval for the completion of the Eastern Playground Shelter for their 2006 Budget project.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Rooney seconded,

"Council to contribute \$10,000 towards the funding of the completion of the Eastern Playground Shelter as their budgeted project for 2006."

CARRIED

(c) Expressing concerns at their requirements to pay \$750 excess insurance for the insurance claim for the replacement of the shade cloth at the Western Playground and advising that they have never been advised of this requirement.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Smith seconded,

"Council to pay the \$750 excess insurance for the insurance claim for the shelter shade cover at the western playground area"

CARRIED

3. Minister for State/Local Government Relations

Forwarding information regarding Council's requirement following the implementation to the Local Government Act Legislation which commences from 1st January 2007. Seeking any comments from Council on the proposed reform.

- **Noted**

4. Central Local Government Region of South Australia

Seeking nominations for representatives on the Waste Management, Road and Transport and Natural Disaster and Risk Mitigation Committee for the Region, and providing background material on the Committee's representative.

Cr Schkabaryn volunteered to be the Council representative for the Waste Management Committee.

Cr Simmons moved, Cr Burgess seconded,

"Cr Schkabaryn be nominated as a, Council Representative on the Waste Management, Central Local Government Region of South Australia"

CARRIED

5. Bute 2000 Onwards Committee

Seeking to have approval for 4 History Signs to be purchased at a price of \$567 each to be placed at four locations around Bute.

Cr Simmons moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded,

"that the Bute 2000 Onwards Committee be authorised to purchase the 4 History signs for installation at various sites in Bute and for funding of this project be from their annual allocation"

CARRIED

Tabled Correspondence

1. Local Government Association

- (a) Forwarding copies of the LGA Report No 46 - 48
- (b) Forwarding an Interim Report entitled "Strengthening Local Government"

2. Local Government Grants Commission

Forwarding a copy of Commission News - November

3. KESAB

Forwarding a copy of the 2006 Tidy Towns winners for all categories

4. Yorke Regional Development Board

Forwarding a copy of their November Newsletter

5. Port Broughton Historical Society

Thanking Council for the \$1000 donation towards their headstone project, which will be matched with their funds

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, NOTICES OF MOTION

- Nil

DEPUTATION

- Mr. Geoff Daniel – Kulpara – Re: Road rental leases. Mr. Daniel addressed members of the Council on his concerns with the leasing and proposed purchasing of 5 acres of non-arable land adjoining his property.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Kerley Seconded

“that as from the 30th June 2007, the road currently leased to Mr. Daniel (adjoining Section 146 Hundred of Kulpara, will be offered for sale to Mr. Daniel and is to be purchased from the Council as a whole at the going price, or re-leased as a whole at the going price, or the whole area to be fenced off from any adjoining land at the adjoining Owners expense and the road open for public access”

CARRIED

TENDERS

- NIL

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Rooney

- Enquired as to whether any land or road reserves not being utilized by a farmer could be assessed for drilling purposes.
- Asked whether Committee Meetings be held again for Works and Machinery, and Waste Management. District Manager advised that currently there is not enough issues to be considered, and that it will be reviewed at a later date.

Cr Simmons

- Enquired as to the current water restrictions, and the sprinklers at the Bute Oval not having enough pressure to work. District Manager advised that he would get the Parks and Gardens Supervisor to contact SA Water to ascertain what could be done for the Oval, railway Reserve and Foreshore areas..

Cr Ireland

- Enquired as to whether the Bute Playground lawns were being watered.
- Advised that the window at the Fauna Park toilet was still to be fixed
- Advised that the light was still not working at the railway reserve

Cr Schkabaryn

- Asked whether the Council Policy Documents could be presented to members for consideration. The District Manager advised that as reported in November these were required to be considered at Council's February meeting
- Enquired from the Manager Environmental Services as to what role the Coast Protection Board has in investigating the proposed Sewage Plant as part of the Fisherman's Bay Management freeholding process.

- Wished every one a safe and happy Christmas and new year

Cr Kerley

- Asked as to whether the port Broughton Recycling Centre were interested in a recycling program in Port Broughton. The District Manager advised that the proprietors were not interested at this stage due to low prices.
- Asked if the District Manger had looked up as to the agreement with the Bute History Society. The District Manager reported on his findings and advised of some utilities accounts for a number of organisations that Council was paying for.
- Expressed concern as to access from Parma Street to Fisherman's Bay Road via vacant blocks which needed to be stopped. Perhaps a temporary fence could be erected. Also concerns with parking on Fisherman's Bay Road as the Development continues to grow.

Cr McDonald

- Enquired as to why Council is paying for the Utilities accounts for Gunner Bill's Gallery at Bute if a profit is being made at the gallery.

Cr Dolling

- Port Broughton Lutheran Church had asked more seating at the Cemetery if possible. The District Manager advised of a project being considered by another group.
- Port Broughton Progress Association was looking to erect lights on the Norfolk Island trees, and was looking for Council assistance to instal the lights.
- Would like to see some thing happen to enhance the old Artificial Reef that was made in the 1980's.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded,

"that the District Manager approach the Environmental Protection Agency for suggestions as to what could be done to enhance the Artificial Reef located near the light at the end of the Port Broughton channel, to assist in preventing small boats venturing too far into the Gulf."

CARRIED

CLOSURE

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 10.25pm

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D.DOLLING
MAYOR