

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BARUNGA WEST HELD AT THE BUTE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON APRIL 12TH 2005 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT:

(Chairman) D. Dolling, I. Burgess, J. Aitchison, H. Daniel,
T. Schkabaryn, G. Simmons, G. O'Connor, B. Rooney, L. Kerley, N. Hand (District
Manager), P. Ward (Manager-Finance & Admin).

APOLOGIES:

I. Young

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cr Simmons moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded,

*"that the Minutes of Meeting held on March 8th 2005 be confirmed as printed and
supplied.*

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Work has now commenced on the completion of the Port Broughton – Fisherman's Bay bike path in accordance with Transport SA recommendations. There have been some other issues raised by Transport SA and these will be presented to Council 's next Works Committee meeting.
2. A letter has been forwarded to Skinners Earthmoving regarding movement of their excavator between sites and no response has been received.
3. Transport SA have approved of the proposal for Wallbridge and Gilbert to undertake the Stormwater Reclamation study at Bute and they have been advised to commence the study.
4. Members of the Mundoora Community Progress Association will be in attendance at our next Council meeting to address Council on the proposed public toilets at Mundoora.
5. A letter was forwarded to Wardle's Contractors regarding their activities at Fisherman's Bay, and following discussions with the contractors, they will be responding to that letter.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Aitchison advised that he had a potential conflict of interest in the matter of a request for sealing of Aitchison Road.

DEPUTATION

A deputation from the Mundoora Community Progress Association addressed the Council, highlighting the need of public toilet facilities at Mundoora and requesting that Council include this item in the 2005-06 Budget

The delegation left the meeting at 7.30pm

Cr Aitchison moved, Cr Rooney seconded

"That Council consider the cost of public toilets in Mundoora in the 2005-06 Budget and that Council approach Wakefield Council to seek a contribution towards the cost of the public toilets."

CARRIED

MEMBERS REPORTS

Cr. DOLLING

1. March 14 Sail boat Breakfast
2. March 16 Fire Control - Bute
3. March 22 Visitor Information Centre – Port Broughton
4. March 30 Machinery, Audit & Works Committee
5. March 31 LGA - Adelaide
6. April 1 LGA - Adelaide
7. April 1 Fishermans Bay bonding agreement with Norman Waterhouse.
8. April 8 Barunga Village opening

Cr. DANIEL

1. March 30 Machinery, Audit & Works Committee
2. April 1 Fishermans Bay bonding agreement with Norman Waterhouse.

Cr. SCHKABARYN

1. March 30 Machinery, Audit & Works Committee
2. March 31 YP Tourist Association
3. April 4 Port Broughton Progress Association
4. April 6 ERD Hearing
5. April 8 Fishermans Bay Progress Association

Cr. BURGESS

1. March 9 Bute2000 Onwards
2. March 30 Audit & Works Committee

Cr. G.SIMMONS

1. March 9 Bute2000 Onwards
2. March 12 YP Lions Club - Wallaroo
3. March 14 Bute Sporting Club
4. March 17 Volunteers Meeting – Port Broughton
5. March 29 Barunga Village
6. March 30 Works Committee
7. April 4 Tidy Towns judging
8. April 8 Barunga Village opening
9. April 9 YP Lions Club - Wallaroo
10. April 11 Bute Sporting Club

Cr O'CONNOR

1. March 30 Machinery & Audit Committee

Cr ROONEY

1. March 30 Animal & Pest Plant meeting at Hahndorf.

Cr KERLEY

1. March 9 Port Broughton Hospital Board
2. March 30 Works Committee

Cr YOUNG

1. March 30 Machinery, Audit & Works Committee

Cr AITCHISON

1. March 30 Machinery, Audit & Works Committee

MEMBERS QUESTIONS

Nil

REPORTS

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Daniel seconded,

"All reports be received".

CARRIED

WORKS COMMITTEE

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Simmons seconded

"That Recommendations No's 1 – 16, of the Works Committee on the 30th March 2005, be adopted

- 1. That the Works Manager be authorised to arrange for the resealing of the intersection of South and West Terrace and Dalling Street, prior to any work being done on traffic control measure, as proposed by Des Menz (Enviro Civil Engineers).*
- 2. That the Works Manager be authorised to construct "extended shoulder sealing" on the both sides of the Fisherman's Bay Road, utilising the grant funding from Transport SA, to allow for the shoulder sealing to be used by cyclists, and for this work to be done in accordance with Greg Carmody's proposal (Transport SA).*
- 3. That no action be taken to cut the trees on the corner of First and Third St, Bute, down until the liability issue has been resolved.*
- 4. That the Works Manager advise the Patrol Grader operator of the concerns of the condition of the Alford Road and that he also arrange the trimming of the trees as requested.*
- 5. That Council inspect the pine trees at John Lewis Drive at the next meeting of the Works Committee.*
- 6. That the Works Manager advise the Patrol Grader operator of the concern at the condition of the Pine Forest Road/Wards Hill Road.*
- 7. That Mr Axford be advised that Council has agreed to upgrade Cameron Road, with work due to commence in April 2005.*
- 8. That Mr Tonkin be advised that Council has built the Boat Ramp rock sump in accordance with the approval of the Environmental Protection Authority and will not be making any alteration to the ramp.*
- 9. That Council agree to install 60kph sign at 127 Fisherman's Bay Road.*
- 10. That Council agree to do a patch job on "Jacks Road" utilising a few loads of rubble.*
- 11. That due to the inherent dangers of providing rear access to 96 John Lewis Drive, Council does not approve the request for that rear access.*
- 12. That arrangements be made to meet with Transport SA to discuss possible improvements to be Kulpara intersection and the pavement work in Railway Terrace, Bute.*
- 13. That no action be made on the upgrading (sealing) on the Alford to Bute Road.*

14. *That the District Manager investigate costing of barrier gates for the Port Broughton Boat Ramp.*
15. *That Council agree to close portion of Edmund Street on 8th April 2005 for the opening of the new extension between 9:00am and 4:00pm.*
16. *That the District Manager seek the support of the Minister of Fisheries to review the size limit of king fish.*

CARRIED

MACHINERY COMMITTEE

Cr Burgess moved, Cr O'Connor seconded

"That Council call for a tender for street sweeping of Port Broughton, Bute and Alford for the 2005/06 financial year."

CARRIED

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Cr O'Connor moved, Cr Burgess seconded

"That Recommendations No's 1 – 7, of the Audit Committee on the 30th March 2005, be adopted

1. *That the Councillors' Allowance for the 2005-06 financial year be increased to \$8,000 for the Chairman, \$4,000 for the Deputy Chairman and \$2,500 for the Councillors.*
2. *That the District Manager be instructed to appoint a permanent part-time employee for the Bute office and to arrange for that person to be trained and accredited with Australia Post.*
3. *That Council bear the cost of Council employees and plant used in the Port Broughton T-Piece project.*
4. *That Council consider a \$1,000 contribution towards the Sailing Regatta 10 Year Anniversary during the Budget deliberations.*
5. *That the District Manager and Manager – Finance & Administration attend the Local Government Seminar in Adelaide on April 28 & 29, 2005.*
6. *That the Manager – Finance & Administration is graded at Level 2 Step 1 of the Senior Officers Award, in line with the new Building Inspector and Works Manager, and that the official title be changed to Deputy District Manager.*
7. *That the District Manager is graded at Level 5 Step 2 of the Senior Officers Award, and the 5% loading be ceased."*

CARRIED

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Daniel seconded

"That Recommendations No's 1 – 3, of the OHS & W Committee on the 29th March 2005, be adopted

- 1. That Council contracts out all confined spaces work for the next 12 months, as needed, and then reviews the costings after that period.*
- 2. That Council implement Safe Work Practice 906 immediately regarding Lifting of Plant & Machinery.*
- 3. That the policy reviews for Pre-placement Medical Advice Policy, Smoking in the Workplace and Manual Handling recommendations are adopted by Council."*

CARRIED

Cr Burgess advised that due to study commitments he would have to relinquish his position on Council's OHS & W committee.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Simmons seconded

"That Cr Schkabaryn be Council's representative on the OHS & W committee."

CARRIED

Cr Aitchison moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

"That the Council meeting be adjourned at 7.45pm for the Development Assessment Panel meeting".

CARRIED

The Council meeting resumed at 8.40pm.

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Simmons seconded,

"That all reports be received."

CARRIED

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Environmental Development Manager

Adverts have been placed in the Advertiser and the Australian Local Government Job Directory, with very limited success. I have had a couple of enquiries, but the closing date for the applications is 15th April 2004.

I have attached a copy of the information sheet that I prepared for the position.

Lyn Addison has advised that he wishes to complete his contract with Council after the May meeting of Council, which will cause some difficulties for the Council. I am very grateful for Lyn continuing his service for the past twelve months, as he has certainly gone a lot longer than he intended.

As a result of this notice, I will be talking to Copper Coast Council about some arrangements that can be made to help us during the interim.

- **Noted**

2. **Bute Post Office staff**

I am currently in the process of interviewing people (with Peter) for the position of part time employee for the Bute Office Post Office, with an appointment being made by the 15th April 2005.

The District Manager advised that Leanne Meuller was appointed to this position and would commence duties on Tuesday 19 April 2005.

- **Noted**

3. **Performance Review**

It is the time of the year again when I seek Council to undertake my annual Performance Review. Separate to my report is the pro forma that Council has used in the past and I would appreciate it if members could arrange to complete the review and to forward your comments to the Chairman.

Following this the Chairman will arrange a meeting of the Executive to formally complete the review, with a report being made to the May meeting of Council.

- **Noted**

4. **Broadband Internet**

I have had discussions with Telstra in relation to the installation of Broadband Internet for the Bute and Port Broughton township areas. As a result of this Telstra have forwarded information indicating that at least 30 expressions of interest are required.

Barunga Village has already commenced seeking expressions of interest for the Port Broughton area, and I have arranged for the "correct" form to be utilised for the petition.

I will arrange for a petition form to be put on the Bute Office counter, to obtain any expressions of interest.

It is important to understand that the Broadband is only effective for up to four (4) kilometres from the exchange, which unfortunately will not assist a lot of the general farming community.

I will also arrange for an article in the next Council newsletter.

- **Noted**

5. Central Region of Local Government

The Central Region of Local Government recently met in Port Broughton, and I have received the minutes relating to that meeting, which are attached to my report.

At this stage I am currently involved in two major projects that the region has undertaken and they include:

- Central Region water infrastructure needs
- Central Region waste management review

These reviews are important to the long-term sustainability of our Council area, and I believe that is important for our Council to be involved.

There is a review of the administration of the Region, with Peter Emery and Bill Furse looking to discontinue their association with the Region.

During the past two weeks I have completed, in conjunction with the Wakefield Regional Council, our application under the Special Local Roads Program, for the upgrading and sealing of the Wokurna-Snowtown Road.

- **Noted**

6. Septic Tank Effluent Disposal (STED) Schemes

Following Council's agreement to be involved in the audit of its two STED Schemes (at Bute and Port Broughton), I have now recently received the reports. I have not had the opportunity to review the report in its entirety, but I have attached to my report the conclusions and recommendations for the two Schemes.

It will be important that the STED Committee which is to be formed, takes on board the comments raised in these reports.

The Local Government Association is organising regional workshops to review the audits undertaken, and there is one to be held at Jamestown on 12th May 2005 .

With regards to the Port Broughton STED's Irrigation system, we are moving closer to implementation, with a training day being held for all Council's maintenance staff on Thursday 14th April 2005. It is hoped that the Golf Club and the Oval will then be able to access the water after this date.

There is still one issue to be resolved and that is how the cost of the operation of the irrigation system is going to be allocated to the Clubs.

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Simmons seconded

"That Council write to the Port Broughton Oval Improvement Committee and the Port Broughton Golf Club and advise that the irrigation system will be run at Council's expense in 2005-06 to determine accurate usage and costings, following which the costs will be invoiced to the Clubs."

CARRIED

7. Visitor Information Centre

On 22nd March 2005, the Chairman, Peter Ward and myself met with members of the Visitor Information Centre, which was a good meeting to hear some of the concerns of the volunteers.

A summary of the issues raised at the meeting were prepared by Helen Taplin (and are attached) and they reflect the topics that were discussed.

There are some issues that Peter and I are responsible for following up and these were:

- An upgraded map of Port Broughton
- Some clerical assistance for the Centre
- Confirmation of the Dump point for motor homes.
- Budget to be prepared for next financial year.

I have been in contact with Universal Press (UBD and Gregory's Directories) and the RAA, and neither unfortunately have recent maps of Port Broughton. I will ascertain from Universal Press the cost of obtaining a suitable map.

I am still looking at options for the staffing issues for the Centre, which could involve utilising the Port Broughton Progress Association.

- **Noted**

8. Port Broughton Boat Ramp.

Following a request from Barry Wakelin's office on 6th April 2005 regarding our lack of advice on our grant application under the Regional Partners Program for the Boat Ramp, I forwarded a submission to Barry regarding the Council's frustration at the lack of a response for our application, which was submitted in April last year.

This submission detailed the problems being experienced by Council in not being able to complete the project, and I understand that Barry is going to take this submission to the Prime Minister's Office.

I also initially arranged for an official opening date for the Boat Ramp on 6th May 2005, but there were a few problems with this date, and accordingly I have cancelled that date. If members are happy, a new date after seeding, could be arranged for mid August.

I am still seeking information on a boom gate system for the boat ramp.

- **Noted**

9. Alford Public Toilets

Michael Krieger has advised that the Alford Public Toilets are continuing to cause problems and are not operating properly. Michael indicates that there is a problem with the drainage system, and is probably a result of earthenware pipes moving.

Unfortunately I still have not heard about the future of the Alford School, and do not envisage that I will hear anything until later in the year.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr O'Connor seconded

"That Council's maintenance staff arrange for a plumber to undertake the necessary repairs to the Alford public toilets."

CARRIED

10. Meetings

A list of meetings attended by the District Manager was noted.

11. Strategic Plan

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

"That Council's Draft Strategic Plan be placed on public display, for comments to be received by members of the community."

CARRIED

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

1. Lot 50, Martin St, Bute ["Old Hospital"]

The Environmental Health Officer prepared a detail report following an inspection of the "Old Hospital" building in Bute, which had been declared unfit for human habitation pursuant to Section 23 of the Housing Improvement Act 1940 by the District Council of Bute at the Council meeting of 11 October 1993.

The bulk of the remedial work required has been carried out.

Summary of work not carried out

3(a) some salt damp still evident

4 (b) Outbuildings not removed but made safe

9 (a) (b) (c) Not applicable as Kitchen has been relocated in Room 1

16, 17, 18, and 19 Have not been carried out except the rooms have new electrical and basically they are cut off from the main dwelling

21(b)

- Certificate from white ant treatment has not been provided to Council as required
- It is not possible to check on when or if treatment has been provided
- No evidence exists at present of any white and problems.
- Could be a condition that white ant treatment is carried out and maintained.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr O'Connor seconded

"That Council adopt this report and write to the SA housing Trust and request that the HIA order for the property known as the old Bute Hospital, requested on the 14th October 1993 be cancelled."

CARRIED

2. **STEDS Connection to Southern Caravan Park and West side of Dalling St**

The caravan park effluent disposal is currently pumping to a location on the Kadina road reserve tree plantation.

The dwellings on the West side of Dalling Street has an individual pump to discharge via a main in the caravan park disposal system, from each property.

Now is the time to bring both of these systems into operation with the new STEDS.

Action (1) Connect the Dalling Street main into a connection provided in the STEDS drain 7 – 1 – 1 – 1. This will allow all of the Dalling Street effluent to be connected into the STEDS. When the pumps stop working on each of the individual properties or when the individual owners wish to connect to the gravity drain a connection has been provided to each property for this connection to be made. Quotations to carry out for this work be obtained and an order be given for this work to be carried out.

(2) The existing pump station at the Caravan Park to have the outlet reversed to travel approx North to a connection point provided at the junction of Barker Street and Dalling Street. Quotations for this work to be obtained. An order be issued by (a) Council or (b) Caravan park Management for this work to be carried out.

I believe this work should be carried out as soon as the pump in the Caravan Park are running extensively thus loading them with the connections to the STEDS taking away the extra loads from Dalling Street.

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

“That Council call for tenders from suitable contractors to reverse the flow of the existing STEDS pump station at the southern Caravan Park from south to north to the pump station at the junction of Barker & Dalling Streets.”

CARRIED

ANIMAL & PLANT CONTROL OFFICER’S REPORT

1. State Conference

Cr. Rooney and I attended the State Animal and Plant Control Conference at Hahndorf on March 31st and April 1st. The conference was a celebration of the achievements of animal and plant control over the past 27 years that the commission has been established. Sessions were also held to plan the future of the new NRM system.

Regional NRM Board Members should be named this week.

2. Grant Application

I am preparing a grant application on behalf of the region, seeking funding for a regional bus trip, to allow new NRM Board Members the opportunity to see first hand the variety of animal and plant issues in the Board Area. The trip will highlight the Biocontrol projects being undertaken by Officers in the Region. The tour is planned for September.

3. Board Meeting

Board Members are reminded that the next Board meeting will be held at Kadina on Friday 15th April at 3:30pm.

FINANCE REPORT

1. BANK RECONCILIATION

Cr Simmons moved, Cr Aitchison seconded

"That the Bank Reconciliation for March 2005 be accepted."

CARRIED

2. CHEQUE LISTING

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

"That cheques numbered 10571-10651 totalling \$63,031.69, and payroll EFTs totalling \$41,539.02 be approved for payment."

CARRIED

3. LGFA INVESTMENTS

A listing of all LGFA reserves as at 31st March 2005 was presented to Council.

Summary of Movements:

- \$100,000 deposited to general reserve

- Noted

4. BUDGET COMPARISON

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Aitchison seconded

"That the Budget comparison for the 9 months ended March 2005 be accepted."

CARRIED

5. RATES TRAINING

Vicki Wenham installed the upgraded version of Synergy Soft Rates Module, and trained Georgina Adams for 2 days.

-Noted

6. POST OFFICE AND RTCs

The income and expenditure records for the 9 months to 31 March 2005 for the Port Broughton RTC and the Bute PO are attached.

-Noted

7. SAFER COMMUNITIES AUSTRALIA

Asking that Council purchase 5 Safety Assist signs at \$30 each and erect them in various locations within the District Council of Barunga West.

Cr O'Connor moved, Cr Simmons seconded

"That Council agree to purchase five (5) Safety Assist signs for a total cost of \$150."

CARRIED

8. TICKERA PUBLIC TOILETS

We have received a quotation from WB & ZT Ramsey for repairs to the toilet block at Tickera beach, in the sum of \$1,760.00. Basically, when it rains, the 50mm downpipes cannot cope with the volume of water, and spills over and warps the fascia timbers. The quote is to upgrade the downpipes to 75mm, repair the fascia timbers and paint the toilets. Michael Krieger has been trying to get a quote for 6 months or so, and Ramsey is the only builder to provide a quote, which seems reasonable.

As part of the Budget process I will ask Michael to inspect all toilets and estimate any capital expenditure required.

Cr Rooney moved, Cr Aitchison seconded

"That the quotation from WB & ZT Ramsey for repairs to the Tickera public toilet is accepted and that they be asked to proceed with the repairs immediately."

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Cr O'Connor moved, Cr Daniel seconded

"that the correspondence be received".

CARRIED

Cr Aitchison declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting

1. **P and L Aitchison**

Asking Council to reconsider its decision to bitumise the first 140 metres of Aitchison Road due to the poor condition of the road, particularly during the winter months. They are prepared to pay 50% of the cost of the sealing.

(District Managers Note: The Works Manager advises that the total sealing costs would be approximately \$5,000)

-Noted

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Burgess seconded

"That Council agree to the request for sealing of the first 140 metres of Aitchison Road, with P and L Aitchison to pay 50% of the sealing cost, and for this work to be undertaken upon the completion of the Fisherman's Bay Bike Path."

MOTION LOST

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Rooney seconded

"That Council write to the Aitchisons advising them that can seal the first 140 metres of Aitchison Road at their own expense."

CARRIED

Cr Aitchison returned to the meeting

2. **Bute Lions Club**

Advising that they have agreed to build a shade shelter at the Bute cemetery as a community project and asking for assistance with the cost of the project.

Cr O'Connor moved, Cr Burgess seconded

"That Council congratulate the Bute Lions Club on the shadecloth project and give their support by allocating \$1,000 towards the construction of the shade shelter at the Bute cemetery, and further agree to an inspection with members of the Lions Club to select a suitable site for the shade."

CARRIED

3. Port Broughton Sailing and Boating Club

Seeking Council support to approach the Minister of Transport for dredging of the Port Broughton channel, at the entrance, to allow for larger pleasure and commercial vessels to access Port Broughton, particularly during inclement weather on low tides.

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Daniel seconded

"That the Council agree to write to the Minister of Transport seeking to have the entrance to the Port Broughton channel dredged to allow for larger vessels to enter the channel."

CARRIED

4. Minister for Urban Development and Planning

Advising that she has approved the Port Broughton and Tickera Planning Amendment Report for our Council.

-Noted

5. Animal and Plant Control Commission

Advising Council of the implications for Local Government in regards to the Natural Resource Management Act and in particular with regards to the Council's animal and plant operations.

-Noted

6. Mr Ian McSporrarn

Forwarding a report on the Native Title discussions held at Whyalla on 28th February 2005 for Councils on Eyre Peninsula, Northern Areas and Upper Spencer Gulf and seeking support for the resolution rendered at that meeting expressing concern at the failure of the State Government to fully fund all Native Title claims and not to transfer financial responsibility for such claims to the Council's.

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Burgess seconded

"That Council support the current ILUA (Indigenous Land Use Agreement), but support the proposal for the proposed template to be re-drafted to define the commitment of the State Government to the Agreement."

CARRIED

7. Local Government Association of SA

Forwarding LGA Report No 9 – 13

-Noted

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Aitchison seconded

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, NOTICES OF MOTION

ASSESS NO	ADDRESS	SELLER	BUYER
A28591	Lot 4 Parma Street, Port Broughton	Aitchison AJ & JF	Polkinghorne DA & LD
A28541	Lot 21 Parma Street, Port Broughton	Aitchison AJ & JF	Kerley KH
A28537	Lot 22 Parma Street, Port Broughton	Aitchison AJ & JF	Reichelt NM & VL
A28523	Lot 23 Parma Street, Port Broughton	Aitchison AJ & JF	Smith GB & J
A25068	5 First Street, Bute	Hills AW & E	Fracas MH & AN
A26975	21-23 Fishermans Bay Road, Port Broughton Sections 2, 3W, 4, 5N Etc Hundred	ME. Ward	EJ Caldwell & AM. Ward
A7577	Mundoora	AG Price	ME. Evans
A6331	12 Kerley Street, Port Broughton	BG & Y Taylor	R. Herbert & J. Kelly
A18445	Section 151, Hundred Kulpara	T. Kyachech	H, F & E Nahem

TENDERS

Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Schkabaryn

- Advising that ratepayers do not seem to be aware that installation of plaques on the foreshore seats requires purchase of the seat from Council, at the discretion of the Council.
- Advising that he received a complaint as to the lack of toilet facilities at the Port Broughton rubbish dump.
- Querying whether or not the Council had an authorized traffic inspector.

Cr Burgess

- Advising that there is a serious structural crack in the public toilets at the Bute Rest Centre.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr O'Connor seconded

"That Council instruct a builder to provide a quotation for repairs to the cracked wall of the Bute Rest Centre toilets."

CARRIED

Cr O'Connor

- Advising that there is a new deal on motor vehicles called "Dealers Choice" in which the trade value is pre-determined by an agreement on kilometres traveled.

- Advising ratepayers have complained of bull ants at the Bute dump.
- In regards to the problems with the Port Broughton Library extensions and the Visitor Information centre, a meeting with all parties should be arranged.

Cr O'Connor moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

"That council arrange a meeting to be attended by representatives of Council, the school board, the library board, PLAIN, HACC, the Visitor Information Centre, Barunga village, local politicians and any other representative group with a view to addressing specific needs of all groups and funding alternatives."

CARRIED

- Bringing to Council's attention the Zero Waste grants system in place. The District Manager said he was aware of this and the upper north Councils required their overall strategies to be in place prior to participation.

Cr O'Connor moved, Cr Rooney seconded

"That Council begin its May meeting at 4.30pm on May 10, 2005, and afterwards have a meal at the Bute Hotel in recognition of Lyn Addison's last meeting and many years of service."

CARRIED

Cr Daniel

- Advising that Skinners were crushing in Bruce's pit.

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Aitchison seconded

"That Council engage Skinners to crush rubble from Bruce's pit, for future roadworks use by Council."

CARRIED

Cr Kerley

- Complaining about the removal of native vegetation from the southern caravan park when the new huts were installed. Cr Aitchison pointed out that the only dead vegetation was removed.

Cr Aitchison

- Advising that the Skate Park application was unsuccessful.

Cr Simmons

- Advising that rabbits have returned to the Bute Oval.

Cr Rooney

- Advising that overhanging trees on the Kulpara Road are causing trucks to straddle the middle of the road to avoid them, causing a traffic hazard.

Cr Rooney moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

"That the District Manager bring the overhanging trees to the attention of Transport SA and request remedial action."

CARRIED

CLOSURE

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.55pm

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D.DOLLING
CHAIRMAN