#### SHIRE OF DOWERIN



# Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors held at the Dowerin Town Hall on Thursday 30 June 2016

## 1. OPENING OF MEETING

The President declared the meeting open at 7.30pm and extended a welcome to all attending.

## 2. PRESENT:

President Town Ward Cr DE Metcalf Rural South Ward Cr GB Ralph **Deputy President** Cr TA Jones Rural North Ward Cr RI Trepp Rural South Ward Cr AJ Metcalf **Town Ward** Cr BN Walsh **Town Ward** Cr DP Hudson Town Ward Ms AJ Selvey Chief Executive Officer Mr SF Geerdink Works Manager Mr RJ Back Forensic Auditor

## **ELECTORS**

Mrs DG Condo Mrs PD Lambert Mrs EL Richards Mrs W Emmott Mr EW Emmott Mrs ME Phillips Ms KA Spark Mr PJ Spark Mr CJ Meakins Mrs F Anderson Mr LE Ward Mr MN Anderson Mrs W Flavel Mr V Clifford Mrs PA Woods

# 3. APOLOGIES

Cr WE Coote

Mrs NM Metcalf

## 4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: EW Emmott Seconded: M Phillips

That the Minutes of the previous Electors Meeting held on 16 December 2014, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting proceedings.

Carried

# 5. BUSINESS ARISING

o Nil.

# 6. RECEIVAL AND ADOPTION OF 2014-2015 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The President presented the Shire of Dowerin 2014-15 Financial Statements.

Mr RJ Back, the Forensic Auditor engaged by the Shire of Dowerin presented on the Forensic Audit.

## **ELECTORS RESOLUTION**

Moved: DP Hudson Seconded: EW Emmott

That the 2014-15 Financial Statements be received.

**Motion Carried** 

# 7. RECEIVAL AND ADOPTION OF 2014-2015 AUDITORS REPORT

The Auditors Report was read out.

#### **ELECTORS RESOLUTION**

Moved: EW Emmott Seconded: F Anderon

That the Auditors Report be received.

**Motion Carried** 

# 8. RECEIVAL AND ADOPTION OF 2014-2015 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President presented the Shire of Dowerin 2014-15 President's Report.

## **ELECTORS RESOLUTION**

Moved: EW Emmott Seconded: M Phillips

That the 2014-15 President's Report be received.

Motion Carried

#### 9. RECEIVAL AND ADOPTION OF 2014-2015 ANNUAL REPORT

## **ELECTORS RESOLUTION**

Moved: P Woods Seconded: EW Emmott

That the Shire of Dowerin 2014-15 Annual Report be received.

**Motion Carried** 

# 10. QUESTIONS FOR WHICH PRIOR NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN Nil

#### 11. GENERAL BUSINESS

#### **VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE.**

**ELECTORS RESOLUTION** 

Moved: EW Emmott Seconded: GB Ralph

That the Shire of Dowerin writes to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) to advise them of the Shire and community preference to have the Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade remain independent from City-based Fire Services.

Motion Carried

## SHORT TERM ACCOMMODATION PROJECT

Ms KA Sparks, Mr PJ Sparks and Mr CJ Meakins questioned the Council and CEO in relation to the viability of the Short Term Accommodation Project and raised concerns that the project is not viable. They also raised concerns with the lack of consultation with businesses that could be impacted by the project.

The Shire President advised that appropriate consultation was carried in developing the Strategic Community Plan and that the Short Term Accommodation Project was raised as a high priority by the community.

## **NORTHAM SHEEP DOG TRIALS**

Mr LE Ward advised that the Shire of Northam were short of funds to be able to attract the Australian Sheep Dog Trials (the Trials) and requested that Council considers making a \$500 donation to assist in attracting the Trials to Northam.

# FOOTPATH OBSTRUCTION DUE TO WATER CORPORATE WORK ON GOLDFIELDS ROAD

Mrs ME Phillips asked why the footpath was still obstructed from works carried out by Water Corp. The Shire Works Manager responded that the Water Corp had requested that the work be postponed until further notice.

# CARS OBSTRUCTING THE FOOTPATH ON GOLDFIELDS ROAD

Mrs ME Phillips advised that cars were blocking the footpath on Goldfields Road and causing a hazard for pedestrians and turning vehicles.

The Shire advised the Ranger had visited the house and committed to investigating further.

## SUPPORTING LOCAL BUSINESSES

Mrs M Phillips reminded the meeting of the importance to shop locally and support local businesses.

## THANKS TO THE SHIRE OF DOWERIN

Mr EW Emmott moved a vote of thanks to the Shire of Dowerin for the work they had carried out in the past year acknowledging the inside staff for their work over what must have been a difficult year.

# 12. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business Cr DE Metcalf (President) declared the meeting closed at 9.55pm.

MINUTES OF THE ELECTORS MEETING HE JULY 2016 COUNCIL MEETING.	ELD ON 30 JUNE 2016 WERE RECEIVED AT THE 19
PRESIDENT	DATE