

District Council of Robe

MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 13th March 2007, commencing at 5.00pm
District Council of Robe Chambers, Smillie Street, Robe.

PRESENT Mayor W. Peden, Crs. P. Riseley, J. Mathews, R. Petrovic, D. Loxton,
Acting Chief Executive Officer; Judith Jones.

APOLOGY Nil

DECLARATION OF OFFICE The following Elected Members made their declaration of office:-

Elected Member Rino Dell-Antonio
Elected Member Ned Wright

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cr Mathews moved that the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 13th February 2007 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting. (328/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton Carried

Cr Petrovic moved that the minutes of the Special Council Meetings held on 19th and 23rd February 2007 and 28th February 2007 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of those meetings. (329/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton Carried

Cr Loxton moved that the minutes of the Confidential Meetings held on 23rd February 2007 and 28th February 2007 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of those meetings. (330/2007)

Seconded Cr Petrovic Carried

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Welcomed new Acting Chief Executive Officer, Judith Jones
- New CEO position closes Friday 16th March 2007
- Elected Members to meet all applicants during interview process with Locher Consulting overseeing the process
- Welcome to new Elected Members
- Galpin's Report - nothing further to report
- Venn Report Council analysis to be completed when report finalized.

PUBLIC FORUM Nil

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES Nil

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES Nil

WORKING PARTY COMMITTEE Nil

REPORTS OF SUBSIDIARY Nil

REPORTS OF ASSOCIATED BODIES Nil

REPORTS OF MEMBERS

Cr. Mathews reported on:

19/2/07 Special Council meeting
21/2/07 DAP Training, Naracoorte
23/2/07 Special Council meeting
27/2/07 Kingston Hospital Board Meeting
28/2/07 Special Council meeting
4/3/07 KESAB Clean Up Day - set up at Library
5/3/07 Workshop with Locher (CEO Appointment) and Finances
7/3/07 Workshop re Grant funding, Naracoorte

Cr. Riseley reported on:

19/2/07 Special Council Meeting
21/2/07 DAP Training - Naracoorte
23/2/07 Meeting Don Venn & M Kelledy
23/2/07 Special Council Meeting
28/2/07 Special Council Meeting
7/3/07 Enviro Fund Grants Meeting, Naracoorte
5/3/07 Workshop with Locher (CEO Appointment) and Finances

Cr. Petrovic reported on:

1/3/07 Robe Tourism and Traders Association Meeting
8-10/3/07 3 Day LGA Training in Barossa

Cr. Loxton reported on:

21/2/07 DAP Training - Naracoorte

Mayor reported on:

15/2/07 Meeting with Ron Sargent at Council
16/2/07 Interview ABC by Stan Thompson
16/2/07 Meeting with Mitch Williams
19/2/07 Special Council Meeting
21/2/07 LGA Training in Naracoorte for Dap - all day
23/2/07 Council Special Meeting
26/2/07 Meeting with Judith Jones
28/2/07 Special Council Meeting
2/3/07 Meeting at offices of Minister for Local Government
3/3/07 Attended Clipsal Car Racing
5/3/07 Workshop on replacement CEO
7/3/07 Meeting John Fisher McArthur consulting
8-10/3/07 3 Day LGA Training in Barossa for new members

OFFICERS' REPORTS

**ACTING CHIEF
EXECUTIVE
OFFICER:**

COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL

(1) Sitting Fees

Cr Mathews moved that the sitting fee for CDAP members be as follows:-

Ordinary Meetings

Presiding Members	\$120 per meeting
Independent Members	\$120 per meeting
Elected Members on the Panel	Nil
Staff	Nil

Special Meetings Nil (331/2007)

Seconded: Cr. Wright

Carried

(2) Travel Allowance

Cr Loxton moved that travel within the District Council of Robe boundaries not be reimbursed and travel further than 50kms be reimbursed \$50.00 per meeting. (332/2007)

Seconded Cr Riseley

Carried

(3) Terms of Reference

Cr Loxton moved that pursuant to Section 56A(19) of the Development Act 1993 adopt the "Terms of Reference" for the District Council of Robe Council Development Assessment Panel as set out in the Council Agenda for this meeting. (333/2007)

Seconded Cr Petrovic

Carried

(4) Delegations to CDAP

Cr Wright moved that pursuant to Section 34(23) & (27) of the Development Act 1993 adopt the "Delegations to the Development Assessment Panel" as set out in the Council Agenda for this meeting. (334/2007)

Seconded Cr Dell-Antonio

Carried

(5) Delegations to Chief Executive Officer

Cr Loxton moved that pursuant to Section 20 of the Development Act, 1993 the Development Regulations in accordance with Section 34(23) of the Development, Council adopts the "Delegations to the Chief Executive Officer" as set out in the Agenda for this meeting. (335/2007)

Seconded Cr Petrovic

Carried

(6) Date and Time of CDAP Meetings

Cr Mathews moved that the CDAP Meetings be held on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 10.30am in the Council Chambers. (336/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

ACTING DIRECTOR
OF ENGINEERING
SERVICES

RECYCLING

Cr Riseley moved that an article be published in the next Community Newsletter advising residents that-

- (1) glass jars and wine bottles are accepted at the Robe Beachport Recycle depot at 10 Flint Street, Robe and do not need to be put into the green recycle bins
- (2) all recyclable materials should be put into the bins individually not in plastic bags etc (337/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

MANAGER CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Cr Loxton moved **that the Manager Children's Services Report be accepted.** (338/2007)

Seconded Cr Dell-Antonio

Carried

FINANCE

Cr Mathews moved **that:-**

**Bank Reconciliation
Loans Information
Budget Statements
Budget Comparison**

be received and noted. (339/2007)

Seconded Cr Petrovic

Carried

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

1. Question on Notice from Cr Mathews:-

Over the last 6 months how much time has been spent on SEOL business and how much have they paid the Robe District Council?

Supportive Comment - Should Robe Council be involved with setting up and fixing problems with computers when we have private companies and individuals in Robe to service ratepayers with these requirements.

Answer:

Council and SE Online

During 1998 the Robe Community together with a number of other communities in South Australia received funding under the RTIF fund (Regional Telecommunication Infrastructure Fund) and the Local Government Association to enable local call access to the Internet.

Local call internet would not have been available to Robe for many years if Council had not participated in the project.

South East Online (an Independent Service Provider) won the bid to provide and run the Point of Presence (POP) ie the technical equipment to provide local call access in Robe. This facility was housed at the Council Office (it could have been housed anywhere provided security, power etc was provided). The Council office was a preferred site by the RTIF Fund.

Council assists SE Online with the administrative and setup functions with a return being a percentage of monies collected being paid to Council for this service. The Robe Community appreciate having the ability of paying locally by cash or credit card which is not available for most internet services.

SE Online provides more than just internet access to the Robe Council, they also provide networking assistance and general computer knowledge at a very minimal rate. Our working relationship over the past 9 years has been advantageous with many savings for Council.

Over the past 12 months, Council has setup 6 dial up services taking approximately ½ hour each. Commission received from SE Online for the past 12 months is \$454.91

Council does not participate in computer repairs and maintenance for the Community.

2. Question on Notice from Cr Riseley:-

At previous Council Meeting Cr Riseley raised the matter of placing bollards along the channel edge for larger boats to tie up.

Rodney McMartin who is carrying out day to day requirements at the marina has given the following reply.

“Att: Robe Council

During the previous Council Meeting Councillor Riseley raised the need for bollards along the channel edge for tie up points for larger boats, visiting vessels and vessels under tow. The same points have also been raised by various fisherman as there is nowhere for larger boats to tie up, even those who have bought berths until the project is completed. I feel that we need to place bollards on the new plastic sleepers to provide this function and solve this problem.

Yours sincerely

Rodney McMartin”

Cr Riseley moved **that installation of bollards be carried out.**
(340/2007)

Seconded Cr Dell-Antonio

Carried

NOTICE OF MOTION Notice of Motion submitted by Cr Jenny Mathews:-

1. That we appoint Don McQueen of DJ McQueen & Associates to Project manage the rectification of the Breakwater.

Cr Petrovic moved **that** -

1. **Don McQueen of DJ McQueen & Associates be engaged to carry out an assessment of the Breakwater Project and report to Council on his findings.**
2. **That the budget for this project be up to, but not exceeding \$10,000.00. (341/2007)**

Seconded Cr Wright

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE 1. Local Government Association, Circular 9.6 Financial Sustainability Information Paper on Debt Management.

Received

2. Local Government Association, Election of LGA President 2007-2009.

Cr Mathews moved **that Mayor Kym McHugh be the candidate it wishes to elect and that the Mayor complete the ballot paper. (342/2007)**

Seconded Cr Wright

Carried

3. Office of Regional Affairs

Cr Wright moved **that the funding Agreement between the Minister for Regional Development and Council (for the Robe Marina Corporation) be signed by the Mayor and Acting Chief Executive Officer and the Council seal attached thereto. (343/2007)**

Seconded Cr Riseley

Carried

4. Robe Football Club Inc - Sponsorship.

Cr Mathews moved **that the Robe Football Club be thanked for the opportunity but be advised that funding can be applied for through the Sporting and Community Grants programme during the year. (344/2007)**

Seconded Cr Wright

Carried

5. Mr Ashley Bryden
Cr Wright moved **that this letter be received but no action be taken.** (345/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton Carried

6. Ms Mandy Hole
Cr Loxton moved **that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Mandy.** (346/2007)

Seconded Cr Petrovic Carried

7. Robe Bowling Club
Cr Petrovic moved **that approval be given to the Robe Bowling Club to hire the Clubroom out on 31st March 2007, 7th and 29th April 2007.** (347/2007)

Seconded Cr Riseley Carried

8. South East Local Government Association
Cr Loxton moved **that the Final Report on the Environmental Health Services Pilot Project be accepted.** (348/2007)

Seconded Cr Mathews Carried

9. Hon Jennifer Rankine MP

10. Local Government Association

Cr Riseley moved that -

1. Pursuant to Section 37(b) of the Local Government Act 1999 to appoint the Local Government Association of South Australia as an agent authorised by the Council to sign the Consultancy Agreement with Trans Tasman Energy Group Pty Ltd (in the form tabled at this meeting and generally in accordance with the General Overview of Consultancy Agreement also tabled at this meeting) on its behalf.
2. In exercise of the power contained in Section 44(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1999 the powers and functions of the Council under the Consultancy Agreement with Trans Tasman Energy Group Pty Ltd are hereby delegated to *(insert name of officer and office held)* and to any person occupying the office of *(insert office held)*. (349/2007)

Seconded Cr Dell-Antonio Carried

11. Brown Pastoral Co - Inflammable Undergrowth
Cr Mathews moved that Council remit the remaining \$90.30 for an Inflammable Undergrowth account.

Seconded Cr Petrovic

LOST

Cr Wright moved that Brown Pastoral Co be advised that the request for a remission be refused and that the outstanding amount still stands. (350/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

12. North East Conveyancing.
Cr Wright moved that Council consent to the deposit of the plan of division and the document be signed by the Mayor and Acting Chief Executive Officer and Council seal attached thereto provided that Planning Approval has been granted. (351/2007)

Seconded Cr Dell-Antonio

Carried

13. Ms Angela Earle

Received

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Robe Pharmacy Award

Cr Riseley moved that a letter of congratulations be sent to the Robe Pharmacy recipients of the Johnson and Johnson Pharmacy of 2007 Award. (352/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

2. Robe Golf Course

Cr Wright requested a report on the Golf Club land be presented to next month's Council Meeting for discussion.

3. Meeting Procedures

Cr Loxton moved that Council uses discretionary meeting procedures to talk more than once to a motion as set out in R7.

Seconded Cr Petrovic

LOST

4. Land Division - Alexander Tolmer Way & Melville Court

Cr Wright requested a report back to the next meeting on conditions of approval for the land division at Alexander Tolmer Way and Melville Court with particular reference to a buffer zone.

5. **Offal in Blowhole**

Cr Wright requested an investigation into offal being dumped into the blowhole.

6. **SELGA Waste Management Committee**

Cr Wright requested a report from the SELGA Regional Waste Management Committee re possible use of the Mt Gambier landfill to receive Robe's waste and how this may impact on the Robe tip.

7. **Trees on Esplanade**

Cr Petrovic requested an investigation into trees being drilled on the eastern end of Esplanade. A report was requested for the next meeting.

Confidential matters - 6.50pm.

Cr Riseley moved that under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made under Section 90(2) that the public with the exception of the Acting CEO, be excluded from the meeting in order to consider reports from the Ombudsman and a report on Human Resources matters, pursuant to Section 90(3)(e) and (g) of the Local Government Act 1999 and that this commence immediately after the meal break. (353/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Cr Mathews moved that the meeting be adjourned for a meal break at 6.50pm. (354/2007)

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

Out of confidence 8.31pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.31pm.

Confirmed

Date _____

_____ Mayor