



**SHIRE OF ASHBURTON
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS**

MINUTES

**Multi-Purpose Centre, Cnr Hooley and McGrath Avenue
Onslow**

18 May 2021

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Notice is hereby given that an Annual General Meeting of Electors will be held on 18 May 2021 at the Multi-Purpose Centre, Cnr Hooley and McGrath Avenue, Onslow commencing at 4.00 pm.

The business to be transacted is shown in the Agenda.



Mr Kenn Donohoe
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Shire President declared the meeting open at 4pm.

1.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As representatives of the Shire of Ashburton Council, we respectfully acknowledge the local Indigenous people, the traditional custodians of this land where we are meeting upon today and pay our respects to them and their elders past, present and emerging.

2. ATTENDANCE

2.1 ELECTORS PRESENT

Cr K White
Cr D Diver
Cr L Rumble
Cr M Lynch
Cr J Richardson
Cr R de Pledge

Other Electors – please refer to the Attendance Sheet, available on the day

STAFF

Mr K Donohoe	Chief Executive Officer
Mr N Cain	Director Corporate Services
Mr A Majid	Director People and Place
Mr M Ksoravi	Director Infrastructure Services
Mrs C McGurk	Director Projects and Procurement
Mrs D Walkington	Acting Governance Officer

2.2 APOLOGIES

Cr M Gallanagh	Pannawonica Ward
Cr D Dias	Paraburdoo Ward

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE UNCONFIRMED MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD 10 MARCH 2020

Council Decision

MINUTE: 87/2021

MOVED: Cr D Diver

SECONDED: Cr R De Pledge

That the Unconfirmed Minutes Annual General Meeting of Electors held on 10 March 2020 (ATTACHMENT 4.1) be received.

CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY

5. ADOPTION OF THE 2019/2020 ANNUAL REPORT

The Shire of Ashburton 2019/2020 Annual Report and Audited Financial Report as provided to Council on 20 April 2021 and available from the Shire Offices and Libraries in Tom Price, Onslow, Paraburdoo and Pannawonica or the Shire of Ashburton web page.

Council Decision

MINUTE: 88/2021

MOVED: Cr M Lynch

SECONDED: Cr D Diver

That the Shire of Ashburton 2019/2020 Annual Report and Audited Financial Report as presented be received.

CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Public Questions received from the floor:

Hayley Brett

In reference the Water Tank Art Project if the project continues, should the final design be open to the Community. We would like to request Community Reference Group be implemented within the next 14 days and the council hold a Special Meeting to address the petition.

Response: Kenn Donohoe CEO

This question was taken under notice and will be brought forward to the next Meeting of Council.

Can the CEO call a Special Meeting?

Response: Kenn Donohoe CEO

CEO does not have the power to call a Special Meeting

Kathryn Chapman

Could the Council please provide the current plan and timeline to revamping the Onslow Boat Ramp?

Response:

Chantelle McGurk, Director Projects, and Procurement

The Shire of Ashburton has been advocating to the Department of Transport to fund upgrades and or replacement of the Beadon Creek Boat Ramp and amenities for 7 plus years. The land on which these amenities are located are not Shire of Ashburton's land. The Shire of Ashburton is no longer waiting on funding from DoT and will be funding Stage 1 on the Onslow Community Boating precinct. The detailed design for Stage 1 is complete the EOI process for construction has closed and the final tender of construction is now open closing on the 10 June 2021, hoping works on the development to commence in August.

Annaliese McKay

Councillors can you please confirm what stakeholders feedback was on the final artwork for the Water Tanks Projects.

Response Kenn Donohoe, CEO

Question taken on notice and a written response will be forwarded.

Ashleigh Shone

Can Council confirm why the sign was made for the “Slip into Onslow” sign to be only one way? Are those Coming from the North not worthy of an invitation to slip into Onslow?

Response Kenn Donohoe CEO

Sign installed at a cost of \$26,000 and is targeting the travellers heading north. Funding for this project was from BHP.

If signs prove to be a successful marketing tool and if the interstate borders are opened, officers will look at putting up an agenda item for installing a sign for travellers heading south.

Olga Goerke

Can the Council explain how exactly did Guido Van Helten’s designs of the water tanks not accurately reflect on the identity and history of Onslow?

Response

Kenn Donohoe, CEO

Design did not meet Council’s original briefing suggestions for design change which was to reflect additional parts of Onslow’s history. The artist was not prepared to alter his design during negotiations and subsequently left town.

Olga Goerke

How are the costs of Mr Van Helten’s stay in Onslow and his work going to be reconciled? Does the Water Corporation Grant for this project allow for reconciliation of costs incurred but artwork not being completed?

Response

Kenn Donohoe, CEO

In-kind costs incurred for accommodation will be covered by the Shire of Ashburton.

Further costs cannot be discussed due to contractual management matters still being finalised.

Suzanne Wilson

When Council put out the tender for the tank artwork project, did we investigate Guido’s (artist) history? I have seen the design personally and it had boats on it.

Response

Kenn Donohoe, CEO

Council asked for all components to be met of the original 2019 expressions of interest. The artist did not want to amend the artwork other than what was submitted. Both parties involved in this issue are not able to discuss due to current contractual constraints.

Council considered all expressions of interest before making a determination.

Suzanne Wilson

If Guido were willing to come back to complete the project would the shire be willing to work with him again?

Response

Kenn Donohoe, CEO

This would be a Council decision.

Natalie Stevens

What is the plan (if any) to get the water spray park up and running again?

Response

Chantelle McGurk Director Project and Procurement

Major works to bring water spray park up to Health Department Regulations Tender for the works has been issued.

Renae Coates

How do you define if you do fogging or not in Onslow? There are active cases in Onslow – fogging should start.

Response

Adam Majid Director People and Place

As a Shire we undertake a mosquito trapping program and review the number of mosquitos being trapped to determine if there is an increase in the numbers of mosquitoes within town. In the trapping undertaken in the past two weeks, there has been no indication of increases. We have had no confirmation of any active cases in Onslow and the advice we have received is that fogging is not required.

Renae Coates

The school has issued information requesting that all students apply insect repellent before attending school. Were you aware of this? If there were any airborne diseases should fogging be done?

Adam Majid Director People and Place

I am unable to comment on the School information

If there were any confirmed cases, the Shire would take it on advisement from the Department of Health as to whether fogging was required.

Olga Goerke

Does Council consider it is doing enough for Onslow Senior?

Response

Shire President

Yes, \$7 million on swimming pool, \$1 million spent on Boardwalk, caravan park upgrades and further infrastructure.

Chantelle McGurk Director Projects and Procurements

The Seniors and Carinya Units are maintained by the Shire of Ashburton. Fortnightly contact with all residents in the seniors units.

Onslow Keepers is a Shire of Ashburton and Chevron program,

The agenda item referred to is for aged care in Tom Price as there is no age care facilities in Tom Price and that there are no more plans for seniors accommodation in Onslow.

Currently 3 empty units and there is a waiting list for these units.

Hayley Brett

Re – Mosquitoes asked how the Shire of Ashburton are calculating mosquito numbers.

Response

Adam Majid Director People and Place

The Shire undertakes a trapping program of which traps are placed at various locations around town and from there we count the number in that location. There is another round of trapping to be undertaken of which we will be happy to provide the numbers in a media release as I do not have the exact numbers on hand.

6.2 Notice of Motion

Moved: Suzanne Wilson

Seconded: Ashleigh Stone

That Council:

Repair the relationship with Guido van Helten to produce a design concept that fits contract before engaging another artist.

CARRIED: 15

7. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Shire President closed the meeting at 4.34 pm.