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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SHIRE OF MULLEWA HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL 2006.

0406.01	DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS	
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0406.02	RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF
	ABSENCE

PRESENT:

Councillor A J Messina – President
Councillor B I N Thomas – Deputy President
Councillor G M Steele
Councillor J L Freeman
Councillor M D Tierney
Councillor M Kerkmans
Councillor L A Panting
Councillor N D Johnstone

(West Ward)
(East Ward)
(Central Ward)
(Central Ward)
(Central Ward)
(Central Ward)

OFFICERS:

Mr T Hartman - Chief Executive Officer
Ms N J Holmes - Deputy Chief Executive Officer

APOLOGIES:

Councillor L J Wainwright (Central Ward)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

0406.03	RESPONSE TO PREVOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS	
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Nil

0406.04 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FOR THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved: N D Johnstone **Seconded:** J L Freeman

COUNCIL DECISION: That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 15

March 2006, as printed be confirmed.

0306.11 WA GROWING QUARTER – LOCATION OF SIGNAGE

Cr Messina advised that the ADP Committee had advised the Mullewa Landcare Group that their services were no longer required in connection to the Agriculture Development Program and that any administration required would be done in-house, by participating member Councils.

The President welcomed Tom Hartman to his first Shire of Mullewa Council Meeting.

0406.05 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND MEMBERS

Moved: B I N Thomas **Seconded:** J L Freeman

COUNCIL DECISION: That

- The report of the Wildflower Country Tourism Committee Meeting be received, and
- The report of the Mullewa Telecentre & Tourism Committee be received.

CARRIED 8/0

1:35pm 1:37pm	Deputy Chief Executive Officer left the meeting Deputy Chief Executive Officer returned to the meeting
1:40pm	Cr Gregg Steele declared a financial interest in item 10.2.2. The interest relates to an equipment share agreement. Cr Steele left the meeting.

0406.06	HEALTH, BUILDING & TOWN PLANNING	

0406.07 SUBDIVISION – LOT 51 DEVILS CREEK ROAD

Moved: N D Johnstone Seconded: M D Tierney

COUNCIL DECISION:

The Council adopt the amended Homestead Lots Policy (as follows) and advise the WA Planning Commission and the Dept for Planning and Infrastructure accordingly:

That consistent with the Western Australian Planning Commission "Subdivision of Rural Land Policy No. DC3.4" the Council of the Shire of Mullewa has prepared the following planning policy pursuant to its Interim Development Order No. 10.

- 1. The Council will only support the creation of a Homestead Lot where it can be demonstrated as part of the application:
 - a. a genuine need exists for the excision of the Homestead from the balance of the farming unit;

- b. the proposed lot does not exceed 10 hectares in area, unless additional justification is provided to demonstrate a larger area of the land is required;
- c. the proposed lot will not be detrimental to the continued operation and viability of the farming unit (ie:, existing farm machinery sheds are to be located within the farming unit and not the Homestead lot).
- d. the homestead already exists, is sufficiently set back from proposed lot boundaries, and is adequately serviced from within the proposed lot area (ie: water supply).
- e. the proposed lot has a constructed road frontage
- 2. The Council in support of a subdivision application for a Homestead Lot will require a caveat be placed on the certificate of title at the subdivider's expense restricting the sale of the Homestead Lot for a minimum of five 5 years immediately after subdivision approval has been issued by the WAPC.

In this regard the subdivider shall place the caveat on the title to the Council's satisfaction. However, failing this the Council will proceed with placement of the caveat on title and on charge the subdivider based on cost recovery plus 10% administration charge.

LOST 0/7

Moved: M Kerkmans Seconded: L A Panting

COUNCIL DECISION:

That the Policy be adopted with deletion of paragraph 2 in its entirety.

Consistent with the Western Australian Planning Commission "Subdivision of Rural Land Policy No. DC3.4" the Council of the Shire of Mullewa has prepared the following planning policy pursuant to its Interim Development Order No. 10.

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and not the Homestead lot).

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- e. the proposed lot has a constructed road frontage

CARRIED 8/0

1:47pm Cr Steele returned to the meeting

1:49pm Trevor Brandy EHO entered the meeting.

0406.08	COUNCILS REQUESTS – HEALTH BUILDING SURVEYORS RESPONSE
	TO

Moved: L A Panting Seconded: J L Freeman

COUNCIL DECISION: That the Policy as below be adopted:

<u>Policy</u> Where a vacant retail building is to be secured or boarded up the following materials permitted to be used.

- Marine Ply to match building colour fitted within glazing bead.
- Crim Safe mesh.
- Exterior grade ply painted to enhance the amenity of area.
- Murals by application and approval of Council.
- To Councils satisfaction.

And

That the CEO and Health Building Surveyor be delegated authority to approve applications.

CARRIED 7/1

CLUB HOTEL:

Environmental Health Officer to investigate Septic System located between the Club Hotel and Mullewa Farm Supplies.

2:05pm Trevor Brandy, Environmental Health Officer left the meeting.

0406.09 DERELICT DWELLINGS

Moved: J L Freeman Seconded: L A Panting

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council endorse the action of the Chief Executive Officer in

having the building materials and rubbish cleared from Lot 15 and

Lot 13 Dalgety Streets, Mullewa.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.10 WORKS, PLANT, PARKS & GARDENS

0406.11 EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATION 70/2941 – NOONIE ROCK

Moved: M Kerkmans Seconded: L A Panting

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council advise Ferrowest Ltd that exploration within Common

Land, Reserves and Road Reserves is not permitted.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.12 WASTE OIL FACILITY

Moved: M D Tierney Seconded: G M Steele

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council consider the proposal of locating the waste oil facility

in the Depot and authorise the CEO to have the facility installed.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.13 SPEEDING IN LANEWAYS

Moved: M D Tierney Seconded: N D Johnstone

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council authorise the Works Supervisor to assess the

situation of speeding in laneways and where necessary install

appropriate speed humps.

CARRIED 8/0

Moved: L A Panting Seconded: J L Freeman

COUNCIL DECISION: That a proposal be presented to the May 2006 Council Meeting.

0406.14 TENDER 01/06 – EVALUATION OF

Moved: M D Tierney Seconded: G M Steele

COUNCIL DECISION: That Waltons be awarded a tender to supply a 6T Isuzu FRR500

Crew Cab at a price not exceeding \$52,921 (inc GST) with a trade-in

of Isuzu 3T Truck at \$29,040.

That the replacement of MW5018 Dual Cab Utility be scheduled for

2006/2007 budget year.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.15 TENDER 02/06 – NEW TRI-AXLE LOADER

Moved: M D Tierney Seconded: G M Steele

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council not accept any of the Tenders received and recall

tenders for the supply of one only new tri-axle low loader and trade

MW5052, 1963 Gitsham low loader.

CARRIED 8/0

2:31pm Deputy Chief Executive Officer left the meeting

2:32pm Deputy Chief Executive Officer & Bob Roden Works Supervisor entered the

meeting.

0406.16 WORKS SUPERVISORS REPORT

Moved: M D Tierney Seconded: G M Steele

COUNCIL DECISION: That the Works Supervisor report including the Parks and Gardens

report and the Plant Mechanic report for the month of April 2006 be

received.

CARRIED 8/0

Cr Thomas Reported on the condition of the roads out east. Mr Roden advised that these

would be attended to around April 26.

Cr Kerkmans Advised that Old Pindar Road was severely washed out and needed major

attention. Mr Roden will asses this road and report repair costs back to

Council.

Cr Freeman Advised of lack of speed hump warning sign at the entrance to the refuse site.

Mr Roden informed that this speed calming device was being removed.

Cr Steele Requested an explanation of 'sand seal'.

Cr Panting Advised that road train operators were complaining about the vehicles planing

in wet weather on the Mullewa-Carnarvon Road.

Cr Tierney Requested that thought be given to a solution to stop theft of fuel from Councils Depot.

Mr Roden gave and update on the road program.

MEETING ADJOURNED FROM 3:00PM - 3:40PM

0406.17 MEETING RECONVENED

PRESENT:

Councillor A J Messina – President
Councillor B I N Thomas – Deputy President
Councillor G M Steele
Councillor J L Freeman
Councillor M D Tierney
Councillor M Kerkmans
Councillor L A Panting
Councillor N D Johnstone
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OFFICERS:

Mr T Hartman - Chief Executive Officer
Ms N J Holmes - Deputy Chief Executive Officer

0406.18	FINANCIAL &	GENERAL	PLIRPOSE	
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0406.19 🗆	ONATION -	REQUEST FOR
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Moved: L A Panting Seconded: J L Freeman

COUNCIL DECISION: That the Council donate the sum of \$200 to the Mid West Group of

Affiliated Agricultural Societies for the purpose of presenting a

display at the 2006 Perth Royal Show.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.20 MULLEWA COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION CENTRE – OFFER OF

Moved: BIN Thomas Seconded: N D Johnstone

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council decline the Country Women's Association gift offer of

the Mullewa CWA Centre located on the corner of Molster and Jose

Streets Mullewa to be used for community purposes.

0406.21	MULLEWA COMMUNITY TRUST GUIDELINES – ALTERATIONS TO					
3:33pm 3:35pm	Deputy Chief Executive Office Deputy Chief Executive Office Control of the Contro	•				
Moved:	J L Freeman Seco	nded: BIN Thomas				

COUNCIL DECISION:

That the first dot point item under the heading "What Won't Be Funded" contained in the Mullewa Community Trust Grant Guidelines, be altered to read: "Projects which are the operational responsibility of Federal State or Local Government", and

An additional dot point under the heading "Other Considerations" be included which reads: *Incorporated, not for profit, volunteer, community groups, such as associations and auxiliaries, which are attached to government and private organisations, are eligible to apply for funding.*

CARRIED 8/0

Moved: BIN Thomas Seconded: G M Steele

COUNCIL DECISION: The Committee of the Mullewa Community Trust will be made up of

5 persons, consisting of the Shire President, Deputy President, 2 community members and a representative from Mount Gibson

Mining Ltd.

The tenure of a Committee member shall be two years with a retiring member being eligible to renominate to the Committee.

CARRIED 8/0

Moved: J L Freeman **Seconded:** B I N Thomas

COUNCIL DECISION: That MCT be expanded to read, Mullewa Community Trust in the

guidelines.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.22 SUNDRY DEBTORS – WRITE OFF

Moved: BIN Thomas Seconded: LA Panting

That Council resolve to write off the various sundry debtors as detailed

below on the following list, totalling \$1,715.04

Date	Invoice No.	Debtor	Description	Reason	Amount
30.06.2003	5242	Dave Burdett	Hire of plant to excavate light concrete from house in	Unable to locate debtor	660.00

			Mullewa		
14.05.2004	5671	Tanya Little	Balance of a/c	Debt insignificant	1.53
11.02.2000	4094	David Mowbray	Telephone Account	Unable to locate debtor	220.28
13.03.2000	4120	David Mowbray	Telephone Account	Unable to locate debtor	371.20
14.10.1999	4021	David Mowbray	Telephone Account	Unable to locate debtor	56.17
20.06.2000	4194	David Mowbray	Water Account	Unable to locate debtor	277.48
26.02.2003	5074	Donna Simpson	Cost replacing lost books	Unable to locate debtor	67.43
22.05.2001	4450	Sonia Agale	Lost/Damaged books	Unable to locate debtor	60.95
				TOTAL:	\$1,715.04

CARRIED 8/0

0406.23	FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS – CHANGE OF POLICY	

Moved: *M Kerkmans* **Seconded:** *N D Johnstone*

COUNCIL DECISION: That policy 316 be withdrawn and the following policy be

introduced:

Fire Control Officers - Appointment of

A Fire Control Officer will not be appointed until such time as the nominated person has completed and passed the necessary

training to take up the role of a Fire Control Officer.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.24	FINANCE REPORT 31 MARCH 2006

Moved: J L Freeman Seconded: G M Steele

COUNCIL DECISION: That the Finance Report for the period ended 31 March 2006 be

received.

0406.25 WILDFLOWER COUNTRY TOURISM COMMITTEE – PART TIME PROJECT OFFICER - CONTRIBUTION

4:10pm Cr Freeman left the meeting

Moved: M Kerkmans Seconded: L A Panting

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council not support the funding of a Project Officer for the

Wildflower Country Tourism Steering Committee at this stage preferring that tourism become a core function of the North Midland Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils following its

implementation.

CARRIED 7/0

0406.26 WA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION – NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2006 – SUBMISSION OF MOTIONS

Moved: G M Steele Seconded: N D Johnstone

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council consider local or regional issues that could be raised

at the Annual General Meeting of the WA Local Government

Association.

CARRIED 7/0

4:12pm Cr Freeman returned to the meeting.

0406.27 UPGRADE OF GERALDTON CREMATORIUM - CONTRIBUTION

Moved: M Kerkmans **Seconded:** L A Panting

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council decline to make a contribution towards the upgrade of

the Geraldton Crematorium

CARRIED 6/2

4:15pm Cr Panting declared a financial interest in item 10.4.10. The interest related to

being a supplier to Mt Gibson. Cr Panting left the meeting

4:15pm Cr Tierney declared a financial interest in item 10.4.10. The interest related to

being a shareholder. Cr Tierney left the meeting.

0406.28 PUBLIC ROAD ACCESS AGREEMENT RESEAL – DEFERRAL OF

Moved: N D Johnstone Seconded: G M Steele

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council agree with the section of road 3 & 4 identified in

clause 6.3.7(a) of the Public Road Access Agreement be a sand

seal, subject to Mount Gibson Mining Ltd agreeing to factor the difference between a sand seal and a metal seal into the annual agreement, and that the identified sections be resealed with a metal seal at the conclusion of the mine life,

That Council authorise the President and CEO to instigate immediate negotiations with Mount Gibson Mining Ltd, and

That Council investigate best options with an Engineer and a Mt Gibson Mine representative. Options to be presented at a Special Meeting of Council.

CARRIED 6/0

4:35pm Cr Panting returned to the meeting 4:35pm Cr Tierney returned to the meeting

0406.29 END OF FEBRUARY BUDGET – REVIEW OF

Moved: J L Freeman **Seconded:** B I N Thomas

COUNCIL DECISION: That the budget review as presented be received and the

Department of Local Government and Regional Development be advised in accordance with the requirements of the Financial

Management Regulations.

CARRIED 8/0

4:40pm Cr Panting declared a financial interest in item 10.4.12. The interest related to

being a supplier to Mt Gibson. Cr Panting left the meeting.

4:40pm Cr Tierney declared a financial interest in item 10.4.12. The interest related to

being a shareholder. Cr Tierney left the meeting.

0406.30 CHANGING METHOD OF VALUATION OF LAND - MOUNT GIBSON

MINING LTD

Moved: G M Steele **Seconded:** J L Freeman

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council investigate to change the method of valuation on

Mount Gibson Mining Ltd assessments and have a report prepared

for consideration at the May 2006 meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

4:55pm Cr Panting returned to the meeting

4:55pm Cr Tierney returned to the meeting

0406.31 YOUTH BUS – HIRE OF

Moved: J L Freeman **Seconded:** B I N Thomas

COUNCIL DECISION: That Council reject the application for hire of the Youth Bus by Shut

the Gate Ag Services.

CARRIED 8/0

0406.32 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY – MARCH 2006

Moved: G M Steele Seconded: J L Freeman

COUNCIL DECISION: That the Statement of Financial Activity for the month of March

2006 be received.

CARRIED 8/0

5:00pm Cr Freeman retired from the meeting.

0406.33 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

5:20pm Cr Panting retired from the meeting

Moved: M Kerkmans **Seconded:** B I N Thomas

COUNCIL DECISION: That the Chief Executive Officer's report for the month of April 2006

be received.

CARRIED 6/0

0406.34 NEW BUSINESS

0406.35 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Moved: N D Johnstone **Seconded:** M D Tierney

COUNCIL DECISION: That:

The accounts numbered:

 Municipal
 Chq No.
 9130 – 9156
 \$102,941.76

 Municipal
 EFT
 2344 – 2423
 \$324,893.16

 Municipal
 Payroll & Fees
 \$48,862.87

Totalling \$476,697.79 be passed for payment.

CARRIED 6/0

0406.37 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The President closed the meeting at 5:40pm.

These minutes were confirmed at a meeting on 17 May 2006:				
Signed:				
A J Messina, President				
Date:				