



Annual Electors Meeting

MINUTES

12 March 2020

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SHIRE OF BROOMEHILL-TAMBELLUP

Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting
held in the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup Council Chambers
Norrish Street, Tambellup on Thursday 12 March 2020 commencing at 5.07pm

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Present:	Cr MC Paganoni	President
	Cr ME White	Deputy President
	Cr MC Nazzari	
	Cr KJ Holzknecht	
	Cr CJ Letter	
	Cr DT Barritt	
	Cr SH Penny	
	KB Williams	Chief Executive Officer
	P Vlahov	Manager of Works
	KP O'Neill	Manager Finance & Administration
	PA Hull	Strategic Support & Projects Officer
	LK Cristinelli	Executive Assistant
	Aileen Prout	
	Ray Squibb	

Apologies: Trevor Prout
Stuart Witham

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held on Monday 11 March 2019.

AE200301

Moved Cr Holzknecht, seconded Cr Letter

“That the minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting for the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup held on 11 March 2019 be accepted.”

CARRIED

3. ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2018/2019

Presidents Report

Cr Paganoni advised the meeting that the President's report was contained in the Annual Report, and welcomed any questions about it.

Cr Paganoni acknowledged retired Councillor and former Shire President Scott Thompson for his service to the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup and welcomed incoming Councillors Steve Penny and Douglas Barritt. He thanked Cr Michael White for taking on the role of Deputy Shire President following the Council Elections in October 2019.

Cr Paganoni reported that it had been a very busy year for the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup and exciting times were ahead.

CEO Report

The Chief Executive Officer congratulated Council on projects approved including the Broomehill Fire Station and Great Southern Housing Initiative housing construction.

It had been a difficult year for the Shire with the passing of employee, Tim Williamson.

The CEO thanked outgoing retiring Councillors Thompson and Sheridan for their contributions over their respective terms on Council.

Financial Report

Cr Paganoni advised the meeting that the financial report is included in the annual report, and welcomed any queries.

The Manager Finance & Administration advised that:

- The Operating Surplus ratio was below the recommended benchmarks, however this has been trending in that direction over the last 3 years. This result is consistent with smaller regional local governments who are all heavily reliant on external grant funding.
- The Shire finished the year with just under \$1.5 million in Reserve Funds held in with the Bendigo Bank.

AE200302

Moved Cr White, seconded Cr Penny

“That the 2018/19 Annual Report, including annual financial report, be received.”

CARRIED

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

Tambellup Community Pavilion Association

Ray Squibb thanked the Shire for the support given to the Tambellup Community Pavilion Committee. Everyone who has used the Pavilion speaks very highly of it and the Committee is very grateful for the support given. Ray advised that he had been contacted by another Management Committee for advice on the Committee structure.

Cr Paganoni said the Committee is doing a very effective job and both the Broomehill Complex and Tambellup Pavilion Committees are going really well.

Tambellup Community Resource Centre

Aileen Prout thanked the Shire and the Shire Representative for the support given to the Tambellup Community Resource Centre (CRC). The CRC has had a busy year with organised activities, and funding has just been approved for another 12 months. A survey was conducted to see what the community wanted from the CRC, and feedback has been useful.

Maintenance for the CRC has been done promptly and is appreciated. The CEO advised that the Shire has a new Building Maintenance Officer whose role is to prioritise and arrange building maintenance issues, ensuring works are completed in a timely manner.

Cr Paganoni asked Aileen if there was any chance of the CRC Courses being run in Broomehill in future.

Other items discussed at the meeting included:

- Signage for the temporary 'RV Stop' at the former Bowling Club in Tambellup are in place.
- Congratulations were extended to the Tambellup Co-operative Committee for their work in establishing the 124 Tambellup Store. This has stimulated business in the town and the convenience of being able to purchase food and essentials with their long trading hours, seven days a week is an asset to the community.
- The Local Emergency Management Committee will be meeting on 17 March 2020. One of the items on the agenda is to discuss issues surrounding the COVID-19 virus and to discuss what measures may need to be put in place in the coming months.
- CEO has had initial discussion with a company that plans on developing high speed internet services for the agricultural industry sector.
- Paganoni advised that the Shire is eligible for \$1million in Drought Communities Program Funding. The funding is from the Federal Government and is provided as economic stimulus to communities to support local businesses. There are strict criteria for projects the funding can be allocated to. The Council has had informal discussion over what projects that might be eligible under this program, and will be consulting with the community in early April.

9. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the President thanked Councillors and Staff for their attendance, and declared the meeting closed at 5.53pm.