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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SHIRE OF MULLEWA HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY 20 JULY 2005.****0705.01 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS**

1:10pm The President declared the meeting open

**0705.02 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE****PRESENT:**

Councillor A J Messina – President	(West Ward)
Councillor B I N Thomas – Deputy President	(East Ward)
Councillor G M Steele	(South Ward)
Councillor J L Freeman	(Central Ward)
Councillor M D Tierney	(Central Ward)
Councillor M Kerkmans	(East Ward)
Councillor L A Panting	(Central Ward)
Councillor L J Wainwright	(Central Ward)
Councillor N D Johnstone	(South Ward)

**OFFICERS:**

Mr G S Wilks - Chief Executive Officer  
Ms N J Holmes – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**APOLOGIES:**

Nil

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

Nil

**VISITORS:**

Mr Frank Langley Deputy Principal, Mullewa District High School  
Jarren Comeagain and Kiarni Maher Students, Mullewa District High School

**0705.03 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil

**0705.04 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

The President opened the meeting for public questions. The following questions were received:

**0705.05 MULLEWA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING –  
SUGGESTIONS/REQUESTS ARISING FROM**

Jarren Comeagain requested more skateboards for the Youth Centre.  
Kiarni Maher requested that the air hockey table be reinstated at the Youth Centre.

The CEO explained that the table was a commercially placed machine.

The students thanked the Council for lunch.

1:20pm The CEO escorted the visitors from the meeting.

**0705.06 APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil.

**0705.07 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Moved:** *B I N Thomas*                      **Seconded:** *L A Panting*

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 15  
June 2005, as printed be confirmed.**

**CARRIED 9/0**

1:40pm Cr Tierney left the meeting.

**0705.08 REPORT OF COMMITTEES AND MEMBERS**

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

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That the report of the Monsignor Hawes Heritage Project held on  
July 2005, as printed, be confirmed.**

**CARRIED 9/0**

1:42pm Cr Tierney entered the meeting.

**0705.09 HEALTH BUILDING AND TOWN PLANNING****0705.10 SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – APPROVAL OF**

**Moved:** *L A Panting*                      **Seconded:** *M D Tierney*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the application from David Barnett and Lee-Anne Fienberg and Eileen Mary Fienberg as lodged by Hille, Thompson and Delfos for the proposal to subdivide Lot 9 Mingenew-Mullewa Road into two parts of 184.65 hectares and 114 square metres for the purpose of booster pumping station under the Rural Water Supply Scheme be approved.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.11** HOMESTEAD LOTS – POLICY CREATION

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

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the above item be deferred until the August Ordinary meeting.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.12** BUILDING RENOVATIONS – APPROVAL OF

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

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That works be undertaken by Mr Liprino subject to quote still being valid.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.13** RURAL MEDICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND – APPLICATION FOR

**Moved:** *M Kerkmans*                      **Seconded:** *G M Steele*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the Chief Executive Officer be directed to prepare an application under the Rural Medical Infrastructure Fund to provide for the enhancement of facilities at Councils Medical Centre and building additions where possible to provide for additional reception and treatment rooms.

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.14** WORKS, PLANT, PARKS & GARDENS

2:04pm Cr Panting declared a financial interest in items 10.3.3 & 10.3.4 as a supplier of services to Mt Gibson Mining Ltd.

Cr Panting left the meeting.

**0705.15 PUBLIC ROAD ACCESS AGREEMENT RESEAL – DEFERRAL OF****Moved:** *M D Tierney* **Seconded:** *G M Steele***COUNCIL DECISION:** **That Council is dissatisfied with the response of Mt Gibson Mining with respect to its request to increase the amount of iron ore to be carted from Tallering Peak to 3mpta and that the Shire President is authorised to directly negotiate a satisfactory outcome for the Council.****CARRIED 8/0**2:10pm The Chief Executive Officer left the meeting.  
2:11pm The Chief Executive Officer returned to the meeting.**0705.16 PUBLIC ROAD ACCESS AGREEMENT – AMENDMENT TO****Moved:** *M D Tierney* **Seconded:** *G M Steele***COUNCIL DECISION:** **That Council is dissatisfied with the response of Mt Gibson Mining with respect to its request to increase the amount of iron ore to be carted from Tallering Peak to 3mpta and that the Shire President is authorised to directly negotiate a satisfactory outcome for the Council.****CARRIED 8/0**

2:40pm Cr Panting returned to the meeting.

**0705.17 WORKS SUPERVISORS REPORT****Moved:** *J L Freeman* **Seconded:** *G M Steele***COUNCIL DECISION:** **That the Works Supervisor's report, including the Parks and Gardens report and the Plant Mechanic's report, for the month of June 2005 be received.****CARRIED 9/0**

Cr Kerkmans Requested that staff be congratulated on work carried out on roads in the East Ward.

Cr Thomas Requested that staff be congratulated on work carried out on roads in the East Ward. Requested to be kept up to date on staff changes.

Cr Steele Sought a professional opinion on loaded/unloaded trucks breaking up roads.

Mr Roden                   Advised that trucks loaded properly are no different to empty trucks.

Cr Tierney                 Enquired as to the arrangement with Mt Gibson Mining Ltd and maintenance on Carnarvon Road. The CEO advised that Mt Gibson Mining Ltd are charged accordingly.

The following items were discussed at the Plant Meeting held at the Shire Depot.

- Low loader, (budget consideration)
- Tractor, (replacement)
- Depot upgrade.

<b>0705.18</b>	<b>PINDAR TOWNSITE – ALTERATION TO ROAD NETWORK</b>
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**Moved:**           *B I N Thomas*                                 **Seconded:**   *N D Johnstone*

**COUNCIL DECISION:**       **That Council believes that there is insufficient public benefit to warrant any alteration to the existing road network in the Pindar townsite at this time.**

**CARRIED 6/3**

<b>0705.19</b>	<b>KEMBLA COMMUNITY ZOO – MAINTENANCE OF</b>
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**Moved:**           *B I N Thomas*                                 **Seconded:**   *J L Freeman*

**COUNCIL DECISION:**       **That:**

- **A commemorative plaque recognising Jack Murray's contribution be installed.**
- **Public access not be encouraged due to Councils future depot requirements.**

**CARRIED 9/0**

**MEETING ADJOURNED FROM 3:18PM TO 3:35PM**

<b>0705.20</b>	<b>MEETING RECONVENED</b>
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**PRESENT:**

Councillor A J Messina – President	(West Ward)
Councillor B I N Thomas – Deputy President	(East Ward)
Councillor G M Steele	(South Ward)
Councillor J L Freeman	(Central Ward)
Councillor M D Tierney	(Central Ward)
Councillor M Kerkmans	(East Ward)
Councillor L A Panting	(Central Ward)
Councillor L J Wainwright	(Central Ward)
Councillor N D Johnstone	(South Ward)

**OFFICERS:**

Mr G S Wilks - Chief Executive Officer  
Ms N J Holmes – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**0705.21 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSE****0705.22 FINANCE REPORT 30 JUNE 2005**

**Moved:** *J L Freeman*                      **Seconded:** *M D Tierney*

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That the Finance Report for the period ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2005 be received.**

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.23 AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**Moved:** *J L Freeman*                      **Seconded:** *L J Wainwright*

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That:**

- **An Audit Committee be established consisting of Crs Messina, Thomas, Steele and Panting in accordance with the Audit Regulations.**
- **The committee be responsible for undertaking the functions and duties as prescribed under the Act and meet at least annually, and**

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.24 DRAFT PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY PLAN – ADOPTION OF**

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

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That the draft Principal Activities Plan for the Mullewa Shire Council for the years 2005/2006 to 2008/2009 be received, and public comment sought.**

**CARRIED 9/0**



**0705.25** POSITIVE MULLEWA CAMPAIGN – PROMOTION OF**Moved:** *B I N Thomas*                      **Seconded:** *J L Freeman***COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That Council:**

- **Extend an offer to Mullewa retail and commercial businesses to accept 2 free polo shirts and in return their staff wear the shirts on the nominated day of each week,**
- **Have the supplier of the shirts be instructed to only receive and despatch orders that are accompanied by Council's official order form and that no alteration to the positioning statement be made, and**
- **Ensure that new retail or commercial businesses established over the next 12 months in Mullewa be afforded the same offer, at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer.**

**CARRIED 9/0****Moved:** *L J Wainwright*                      **Seconded:** *L A Panting***MOTION CARRIED::**      **That other businesses or organisations not in the retail or commercial sector be able to purchase the shirts.****LOST 4/5****0705.26** LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK 2005 – AGENDA ITEMS**Moved:** *L A Panting*                      **Seconded:** *N D Johnstone***COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That delegates to decide on motions for the Local Government Week 2005 Western Australian Local Government Association Annual General Meeting.****CARRIED 9/0****0705.27** LOCAL COUNCIL FORUM – ADOPTION OF**Moved:** *B I N Thomas*                      **Seconded:** *L J Wainwright***COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That the Mullewa Shire Council participate through the Local Council forum by imbedding in it's website a link to Ocean 2 Outback for a one off fee of \$99.00 (incl GST)****CARRIED 9/0**

4:17pm      CEO left the meeting.

4:19pm CEO returned to the meeting.

**0705.28** SHIRE MAPS – PRODUCTION OF

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

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That Councillors are to provide rural ownership and residential locations to the CEO, and that this information be used to develop a Shire Map similar to those as developed by other local government authorities.**

**CARRIED 6/3**

**0705.29** WEST AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS COMMISSION – VISIT OF

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

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That:**

- **It be noted that the West Australian Grants Commission will be visiting this Council on Thursday 1 September 2005, for a public hearing between 1:00pm and 3:00pm, and**
- **Ms Helen Wescott be employed to provide information and direction to Council on the operations of the Local Government Grants Commission, its principles and methodology and any other factors or items she believes could be used to increase the Grant Benefit to this Council**

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.30** MULLEWA SPORTS CLUB LEASE AGREEMENT – ALTERATION OF

**Moved:** *B I N Thomas*                      **Seconded:** *N D Johnstone*

**COUNCIL DECISION:**      **That the Mullewa Sports Club incorporated be advised:**

- **The annual lease payment effective from 1 July 2003 shall be \$7,935.80 being the total indebtedness to Council amortised over a 30 year period, and**
- **This is subject to signing of the lease agreement a compliance and all other conditions as contained within that agreement.**

**CARRIED 9/0**

**0705.31** HINTERLAND TEACHER PRACTICE SUPPORT PROGRAM – SUPPORT FOR**Moved:** *N D Johnstone***Seconded:** *M Kerkmans*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the Mullewa Shire Council supports the Geraldton University Centres through its Hinterland Teacher Practice Support Program and will make the sum of \$450.00 available annually for the next 3 years to support a Bachelor of Education student doing a second or third year week practicum at a school within the Mullewa Shire.

**CARRIED 7/2****0705.32** MONSIGNOR HAWES HERITAGE TRAIL – DONATION TOWARDS**Moved:** *B I N Thomas***Seconded:** *L J Wainwright*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the sum of \$500.00 be provided to the Monsignor Hawes Heritage Consultative Committee as contribution of the Mullewa Shire to the Monsignor Hawes Heritage Project.

**CARRIED 9/0****0705.33** COMMUNITY SAFETY AND CRIME PREVENTION – PARTICIPATION IN**Moved:** *M Kerkmans***Seconded:** *J L Freeman*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the Chief Executive Officer be directed to seek funding from the Office of Crime Prevention for a Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan to be undertaken incorporating the aspirations of the Mullewa Community as established under the Mullewa action plan.

**CARRIED 9/0****0705.34** MULLEWA EARLY YEARS GROUP – SUPPORT FOR**Moved:** *B I N Thomas***Seconded:** *J L Freeman*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the fee not be waived as these costs should be taken into consideration when preparing funding submissions.

**LOST 4/5****Moved:** *L J Wainwright***Seconded:** *N D Johnstone*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the Mullewa Early Years Group be allowed free usage of the Mullewa Recreation Centre, Lesser Hall plus kitchen for its mega fun day in October 2005 on the proviso that appropriate recognition is being made of the contribution of the Council to the day.

**CARRIED 5/4**

**0705.35 RECREATION CENTRE CHARGES – WAIVER OF****Moved:** *L A Panting***Seconded:** *M Kerkmans*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the Central West College of TAFE be advised that the usage of the Mullewa Recreation Centre as from Wednesday 13 July 2005 up until Wednesday 31 August 2005 (on every Wednesday) shall not be granted free of charge.

**CARRIED 9/0****0705.36 HALL HIRE CHARGES – WAIVER OF****Moved:** *L A Panting***Seconded:** *N D Johnstone*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That Council is not prepared to waiver or reduce hall hire charges on the occasion of the funeral of Mrs Margaret Green held in Mullewa on 15 July 2005.

**CARRIED 9/0****0705.37 DRAFT BUDGET – 2005/2006****Moved:** *J L Freeman***Seconded:** *B I N Thomas***COUNCIL DECISION:** **That:**

- The Draft Budget as presented be received, and that this data be utilised to form a Budget in AAS27 format, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995, and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, for adoption at the August Ordinary meeting, and
- A determination be made as to the appropriate rate increase.

**CARRIED 9/0****0705.38 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT****Moved:** *N D Johnstone***Seconded:** *L J Wainwright*

**COUNCIL DECISION:** That the Chief Executive Officer's report for the month of June 2005 be received and the recommendations arising from that report be adopted.

**25 July 2005**      **Wacrrm visit – Mullewa – 9:30am**

**26 July 2005**      **NMVROC CEO's meeting – 10:00am**

**29 July 2005**      **ADP Management Committee Meeting – 10:00am**

- 1 Aug 2005 NCZWALGA Executive Meeting – 8:30am**
- 3 Aug 2005 Meet the President – Mullewa – 9:00am**
- 4 Aug 2005 Governors prayer breakfast – Perth – 7:00am**
- 5 Aug 2005 Justice of the Peace seminar – Geraldton – 9:00am**
- 6 – 10 Aug 2005 Local Government Week**

**CARRIED 9/0**

<b>0705.39 GENERAL BUSINESS</b>
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Nil

<b>0705.40 CLOSURE OF MEETING</b>
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The President closed the meeting at 5:20pm.

These minutes were confirmed at a meeting on 17 August 2005
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Signed:

A J Messina, President

Date: 17 August 2005