



Loddon Shire Council 22nd Statutory Meeting Minutes

(a Special Council Meeting)

7.00pm – 10 November 2017, Pyramid Hill Bowling Club

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Chief Executive Officer opened the meeting and read the Council Prayer.

Almighty God, we humbly beseech thee to bless this Council, direct and prosper its deliberations towards the true welfare of your people of the Shire of Loddon. Amen

2. APOLOGIES

Lisa Chesters MP, Federal Member for Bendigo
Jacinta Allan MP, Member for Bendigo East
Wendy Lovell MP, Member for Northern Victoria
Louise Staley, Member for Ripon
Jaclyn Symes MP, Member for Northern Victoria
Damian Drum MP, Member for Murray
Peter Walsh MLA, Member for Murray Plains
Daniel Young MLC, Member for Northern Victoria
Cr John Cottrell, Mayor, Hepburn Shire Council
Jason Russell, CEO Campaspe Shire Council
Cr Jennifer Anderson, Mayor, Macedon Ranges
Shire Council

Cr David Pollard, Mayor, Buloke Shire Council
Kim Kavanagh
Christine Coombes
Michelle Hargreaves
Geoff and Hilary Thomas
Rod and Sue Lea
Ron and Marree Vinnicombe
Robert Condliffe
Dot Beattie
Neville and Michelle Miller
Wendy Gladman, Director Community
Wellbeing

3. MAYORAL REPORT

The Chief Executive Officer invited the Mayor to report on his term of office in 2016/17:

“Firstly I would like to congratulate Councillor McKinnon on being elected to be Mayor of Loddon and I am sure Cheryl will represent our communities with the vigour she has shown as a councillor. I also would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow councillors for all their support over the last twelve months with some great things being achieved.

The CEO Phil and his staff continue the smooth running of this organisation to a point where it is the envy of a lot of our neighbours and so I must thank all of you for putting us in such a strong and respected position.

Highlights for the year including completion of projects such as Serpentine’s Janiember Park sporting facility, Wedderburn streetscape improvement, the Inglewood community hub and a new operations and works centre at our major depot.

Major challenges from flooding last year have been hard to get on top of but now we are gaining headway with extra staff having an impact. The completion of the first stage of the south west Loddon pipeline added with a visit by Minister Neville gives us all a sense of excitement that the project will have a huge impact in the southern part of the Shire.

The adoption of the Council Plan 2017-2020 developed by both community members and staff, along with a strong community satisfaction survey, will lead us into the next period of growth with some confidence that we can achieve more.

Loddon Shire continues to be strong on advocacy with water issues represented in the Murray River Group of Councils, Goulburn Murray Connections Project, Goulburn Murray Water itself, Rural Councils Victoria and Loddon Campaspe Councils.

I have really enjoyed my role as Mayor and your leader and look forward to the next three years as a councillor for the whole of Loddon Shire, which I am extremely proud of.

So thanks to you all for making my time as Mayor so rewarding.

Yours, Cr Neil Beattie”

Recommendation

That the Mayoral Report for 2016/17 be received and noted.

<p><u>MOTION</u> Moved: Cr Condliffe Seconded: Cr Curnow That the Mayoral Report for 2016/17 be received and noted.</p>	<p>Carried</p>
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Cr Curnow presented Cr Beattie with a replica gavel and the collection of Mayoral Columns, and on behalf of Councillors, expressed appreciation for Cr Beattie’s contribution during his term as Mayor.

2. ELECTION OF MAYOR 2017/18

The Chief Executive Officer acted as temporary Chairperson for the election of the Mayor.

The Chief Executive Officer called for nominations for the position of Mayor of the Loddon Shire Council for 2017/18.

Cr Beattie nominated Cr McKinnon.

The Chief Executive Officer invited other nominations.

There being no other nominations, the Chief Executive Officer declared Cr McKinnon elected as Mayor.

3. FORMAL ADDRESS

The Mayor gave her acceptance speech.

Councillors congratulated the Mayor, and Cr Beattie presented Cr McKinnon with the Mayoral Badge and the Shire Gavel.

The Chief Executive Officer congratulated the Mayor and responded to the Mayor on behalf of staff.

The Mayor, Cr McKinnon took the Chair.

4. MUNICIPAL COMMITTEES

These committees are largely advisory or management committees established by Council or external committees on which it is appropriate that Council has representation. Should Council be asked to nominate representatives for any further Committees, nominations may be made at any time of the year.

Recommendation

That Council adopts the appointments to committees as listed.

Cr Holt acknowledged the work done by committees, and thanked all participants who gave their time and energy to these committees.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES (2017/18)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL (SECTION 86 COMMITTEES)	
Boort Aerodrome Committee of Management	Cr Beattie
Boort Development Committee of Management	Cr Beattie
Boort Memorial Hall Committee of Management	Cr Beattie
Boort Park Committee of Management	Cr Beattie
Bridgewater on Loddon Development Committee of Management	Cr Condliffe
Campbells Forest Hall Committee of Management	Cr Condliffe
Donaldson Park Committee of Management	Cr Holt
East Loddon Community Centre Committee of Management	Cr McKinnon
Inglewood Community Sports Centre Committee of Management	Cr Condliffe
Inglewood Lions Community Elderly Persons Units Committee of Management	Cr Condliffe Manager Community Services, Paula Yorston
Inglewood Town Hall Hub Committee of Management	Cr Condliffe
Jones Eucalyptus Distillery Site Committee of Management	Cr Condliffe
Kingower Development and Tourism Committee of Management	Cr Curnow
Korong Vale Mechanics Hall Committee of Management	Cr Beattie
Korong Vale Sports Centre Committee of Management	Cr Beattie
Little Lake Boort Committee of Management	Cr Beattie
Loddon Southern Tourism & Development Committee of Management	Tourism and Marketing Officer, Robyn Vella
Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall Committee of Management	Cr McKinnon

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Pyramid Hill Swimming Pool Committee of Management	Cr McKinnon
Serpentine Bowls and Tennis Pavilion and Reserve Committee of Management	Cr McKinnon
Wedderburn Community Centre Committee of Management	Cr Holt Manager Community Services, Paula Yorston Tourism and Marketing Officer, Robyn Vella
Wedderburn Engine Park Committee of Management	Cr Holt
Wedderburn Mechanics and Literary Institute Hall Committee of Management	Cr Holt
Wedderburn Tourism Committee of Management	Cr Holt
Yando Public Hall Committee of Management	Cr Beattie

COMMITTEES EXTERNAL TO COUNCIL	
AFL Central Victoria Project Control Group	Manager Community Support, Allan Stobaus
Bendigo Regional Tourism Board	Manager Executive and Commercial Services, Lynne Habner Tourism and Marketing Officer, Robyn Vella
Bendigo Loddon Primary Care Partnership Board	Director Community Wellbeing, Wendy Gladman
Calder Highway Improvement Committee (1 representative, 1 substitute)	Cr Condliffe Cr Curnow (substitute)
Children and Youth Area Partnership Steering Committee	Director Community Wellbeing, Wendy Gladman
Loddon Mallee Waste Resource Recovery Group	Cr Curnow
L2P Steering Committee	Recreation Officer, Tony Bellenger
Loddon Mallee Sports Assembly (Sports Focus)	Community Development Officer, Carmel Pethick
Municipal Association of Victoria (1 representative, 1 substitute)	Cr Holt Cr Beattie (substitute)
Murray Darling Association	Cr Beattie
NCCS School Council School Community Reference Group, (SCSCRG) (for the NCTTC – North Central Trade Training Centre)	Executive and Commercial Services Officer, Christine Coombes
North Central Goldfields Regional Library (2 representatives: one councillor, one officer)	Cr McKinnon Chief Executive Officer

