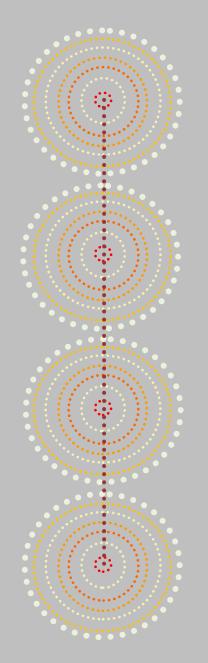
Shire of Goomalling





CONFIRMED MINUTES

July 2016

NYOONGAR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge this land that we meet on today is part of the traditional lands of the Nyoongar people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their country. We also acknowledge the Nyoongar Ballardong people as the custodians of the greater Goomalling/Koomal area and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still important to the living Nyoongar Ballardong people today.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting No. 6 of 2016 of the Shire of Goomalling Council to be held in the Council Chambers, Administration Office, 32 Quinlan Street, Goomalling on Wednesday, 20 July 2016 beginning at 1.00pm.

1. ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1. Attendance

Chairperson	President of Council	Cr Barry Haywood
	Deputy President of Council	Cr Roland Van Gelderen
Council	Councillor	Cr Raymond Bowen
	Councillor	Cr Julie Chester
	Councillor	Cr Christie Kingston
	Councillor	Cr Dallas Phillips
	Councillor	Cr Geoffrey Romero
	Councillor	Cr Kevin Ryan
	Councillor	Cr Rodney Sheen
Administration	Chief Executive Officer Finance Manager	Mr Cornelis (Clem) Kerp Miss Natalie Bird

1.2. Apologies and leave of absence

Resolution

Moved Cr Kingston, seconded Cr Phillips that Council grant leave of absence to Cr Haywood for the 17 August 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

Suspension of Standing Orders

Resolution

Moved Cr Kingston, seconded Cr Romero that Standing Orders be now suspended by Council at 1.01 pm

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Question Time

Kate Detchion, Department of Agricultural and Food WA entered the meeting at 1.01 pm

Kate Detchion discussed with the Council the declared plant Cactus Infestation in the Goomalling Shire, Kate informed the Council on the amount of Cactus within the community and how she can work with the Council and community to spray and get rid of the infestation by informing the community by notice in the newsletter and working with the Schools to make the community aware of the infestation of this declared species. Also the wild dog infestation in the area and how the issue is getting worse.

Resumption of Standing Orders

Resolution

Moved Cr Ryan, seconded Cr Sheen that Standing Orders be now resumed by Council at 1. 40 pm

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

Kate Detchion, Department of Agricultural and Food WA left the meeting at 1.40 pm

1.3. Announcements

- Cr Kingston attended The Road to Law Carbon Energy: Impacts on WA Households held 17 June 2017
- Cr Kingston attended the WALGA Climate Change Collaborators Meeting held 16 June 2016
- Cr Kingston attended the I Works launch
- Cr Phillips attended the I Works launch
- Cr Bowen attended the I Works launch
- Cr Van Gelderen attend the I works launch
- Cr Sheen attended the Rural Water Council Meeting
- Cr Haywood and Chief Executive Officer attended the Avon Midland Zone Meeting
- Cr Haywood and Chief Executive Officer attended the AROC Meeting
- Cr Haywood and Chief Executive Officer attended the Avon Sub Group Roads Meeting

Resolution

Moved Cr Romero, seconded Cr Sheen that the announcements be received.

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2. MINUTES

Recommendation

Moved Cr Van Gelderen, seconded Cr Sheen that the Minutes of the Goomalling Shire Council ordinary meeting held on Wednesday, 15 June 2016 be confirmed as true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillors must declare to the President any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before the Shire Council as soon as they become aware of it.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Nil

5. MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

6. PETITIONS & MEMORIALS

Nil

7. **REPORTS & MINUTES OF COMMITTEES**

Moved Cr Ryan seconded Cr Van Gelderen that the Finance Report for June 2016 be received.

CARRIED

7.1.1. Financial Statements for Period ending 30 June 2016

FILE REF

APPLICANT OR PROPONENT (S) Shire of Goomalling,

PREPARED BY Natalie Bird, Finance Manager Clem Kerp, Chief Executive Officer **APPROVED BY**

PREVIOUSLY BEFORE COUNCIL No **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST** Nil

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. List of accounts paid for 16 June 2016 to 20 July 2016
- 2. Financial Statement for period ending 30 June 2016
- 3. Copy Council Corporate Credit Card

Nature of Council's Role in the Matter

Executive Legislative Review

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Purpose of Report

To endorse payment schedule 16 June 2016 to 20 July 2016 and receive Financial Statement for period ending 30 June 2016 including corporate credit card.

Background

In accordance with Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 34(1), local governments are required to prepare, each month a statement of financial activity reporting on revenue and expenditure for the month in question.

The statement of financial activity is to be presented at an ordinary meeting of Council within two (2) months after the end of the month to which the statement relates.

The statement of financial activity for the period ending 30 June 2016 financial statements and list of accounts paid for the period ending 30 June 2016, are hereby presented for Council's Information.

Comments and details

Council is requested to accept the monthly statement of financial activity, financial statements and list of payments as presented.

Implications to Consider

Legal and Statutory

Local Government Act 1995

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

Voting Requirements Simple Majority

Absolute Majority No

Resolution

Moved Cr Ryan seconded Cr Van Gelderen that Council:

1. endorse the list of payments

a. EFT997 to EFT1009	\$ 99,710.31
b. 11776-11807	\$ 65,009.65
c. 11808-11879	\$260,841.89
c. 5062-5080	\$ 21,961.00
d. DD9005 & DD9035	\$ 13,229.48
c. 11880-11901	\$ 72 ,207.76

Totalling \$532,960.09 for the period 16 June 2016 to 20 July 2016

- 2. receive the financial statements for the period ending 30 June 2016
- 3. receive the Council Corporate Credit card payment (copy attached)

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7.2. Finance/Audit Committee Meeting

Resolution

Moved Cr Romero, seconded Cr Chester that the Finance/Audit Committee Meeting minutes for meeting held Wednesday, 20 July 2016 be received.

CARRIED

8. OFFICER REPORTS

8.1. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Resolution

Moved Cr Romero, seconded Cr Van Gelderen that the Chief Executive Officer's Report for July 2016 be now dealt with.

CARRIED

8.1.1 DIFFERENTIAL RATING 2016/2017

142-6 **FILE REF**

APPLICANT OR PROPONENT (S) Shire of Goomalling

Clem Kerp, Chief Executive Officer **PREPARED BY** Clem Kerp, Chief Executive Officer APPROVED BY

PREVIOUSLY BEFORE COUNCIL NIL DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST NIL

Nature of Council's Role in the Matter

Executive Legislative

Purpose of Report

The Shire of Goomalling advertised its intention to apply differential rates and minimum Rate Payments for both UV's and GRV's within the Shire of Goomalling for the 2016/2017 Draft Budget which is delivering an overall rate increase of 4%.

Council is required to consider the adoption of its relevant differential rates and Minimum Rate Payments for both UV's and GRV's within the Shire of Goomalling.

Background

The following advertisement appeared in The West Australian Newspaper on Wednesday 15th June 2016 inviting comments and submissions to Council:

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEVY DIFFERENTIAL RATES

In accordance with Section 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995, the Shire of Goomalling hereby gives notice of its intention to impose differential rates of rateable property in the Shire of Goomalling in the 2016/2017 financial year.

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Details of the proposed differential rates are as follows:

Unimproved Value Area

Rural 3 General Farming 0.737 c in \$ Rural 2 Wongamine 0.62 c in \$ Special Rural Residential 1.23 c in \$

Minimum Rate Payment for UV \$1,090.00

Gross Rental Valuation Area Townsites of Goomalling, Jennacubbine and Konnongorring Townsites 12.23 c in \$ Minimum Rate Payment for GRVs \$940

The document, describing the objectives and reasons for the imposition of the above mentioned rates, may be inspected at the Office of the Council during normal office hours (Mon - Fri 8.30 am - 4.00 pm) or at the Shire's website www.goomalling.wa.gov.au.

Comments and submissions are invited and will be received at the Goomalling Shire Office by no later than 12.00 noon on Wednesday 13th July 2016.

Clem Kerp

Chief Executive Officer Shire of Goomalling PO Box 118 **GOOMALLING WA 6460**

The rates in the dollar (\$) shown above are estimates and may be changed as part of the Council's deliberations on any submissions received. All statutory entitlements in relation to rates for pensioner and other concession holders will apply.

The objects and reasons for each proposed rate and minimum payment may be inspected at any time on the Shire's website or at the Shire Office at 32 Quinlan Street, Goomalling during normal business hours.

The Shire invites submissions in relation to the proposed differential rates which are to be addressed to:

Clem Kerp Chief Executive Officer Shire of Goomalling PO Box 118 Goomalling WA 6460

2016/2017

As council had implemented differential and concessional rating in 1997/98, council will only be imposing differential rating to all unimproved values within the Shire of Goomalling in 2016/2017.

The objectives and reasons for the imposition are detailed as follows:

- 1. The continued implementation is seen as necessary by council as a means of redressing inequities in the current rating system which results from significant differences in unimproved values applicable to land in the district.
- 2. As a resultant of the increased capacity of land production in all areas due to technology and better farming methods which have led to a levelling out of land production capacities in all areas, council's intention is to bring some parity in the rates paid per hectare. As a result the rate in the \$ is a 16% reduction for Zone 2 compared to Zone 3 (General Farming). Zone 2 properties are mainly closed development lots (small hobby farms) and are reflected in the reduced rate in the \$.

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- 3. Commencing in 2007/2008, concessional allowance will no longer apply to the central ward as it has been merged with north ward to be designated as the central/north ward. Commencing in 2012/2013, concessional allowance will no longer apply to the south ward. Wards no longer apply as they are now one district with Town Planning Zones applying from 2015/2016.
- 4. In special rural residential zone, the rate in \$ levied, is resultant of the area adjacent to the Goomalling townsite having the beneficial affects close to the Goomalling townsite as compared to other zones within the Shire of Goomalling. It is council's intention to bring some parity in rates levied with these properties affected by GRV's in the Goomalling townsite.
- 5. The minimum rates for Unimproved Values and Gross Rental Values are levied as follows:
 - 1. Minimum Rate for UV's Assessments is \$1090.00
 - 2. Minimum Rate for GRV's Assessments is \$940.00

As in the past Council has again set Minimum Rates for both UV's and GRV's to ensure all ratepayers are at least paying their fair share towards Council's provisions of many works and services which are provided to all members of the community.

In all areas of expenditures, Council is reviewing every item (of expenditure) to satisfy its efficiencies and effectiveness to all ratepayers and electors of the Shire of Goomalling. This is never easy as both Federal and State Governments are continually reducing relevant grants which must be accommodated by local governments or face with the fact that services may be reduced.

This year's (2016/2017) Budget is mainly an Asset Management Budget with several capital items requiring Council's cash contributions, mainly:

- \$200,000 4 Units Aged Housing Project
- \$90,000 Supplementary Damn in White Street
- \$35,000 Construction BMX Track
- \$65,000 Final Retention Monies Paid Recreation Centre
- \$26,000 New Gym equipment for 24/7 Gymnasium
- \$597,000 Bitumen Widen/Primerseal 1.2Km, Bejoording Road
- \$384,000 Bitumen Widen/Primerseal 1.75Km, Konno/West Road
- \$75,000 Continuing footpaths replacements.
- 6. Unimproved Values the rates in the dollar \$ for the various differential rates are calculated to provide the shortfall in income required to enable the Shire to provide necessary works and services in the 2016/2017 financial year after taking into account all non-rate sources of income.
- 7. Minimum Payments The minimum payments in UV's and GRV's of \$1,090 and \$940 respectively are applied to both categories in recognition that every property receives some minimal level of benefit from works and services provided. These rates remain consistent with previous years to provide the shortfall in income required to enable the Shire to provide necessary works and services in the 2016/2017 financial year after taking into account all non-rate sources of income.

Comments and details

As no comments or submissions were received by 12noon on Wednesday 13th July 2016, it is my recommendation that Council adopt its relevant ratings for differentials and minimum ratings for 2016/2017 financial year.

Implications to Consider

Consultative

As required by Section 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995, Council did advertise its intention to levy and impose differential rates and minimum Rate Payments for both UV's and GRV's within the Shire of Goomalling for the 2016/2017 Draft Budget.

Comments and submissions were invited by state wide notification through advertisement in The West Australian Newspaper on 15th June 2016. No comments or submissions were received.

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Strategic

To provide equity in the rating of properties across the Shire where the detailed rating categories have been determined for the implementation of differential rating and Minimum Rates Payments for both UV's and GRV's within the Shire of Goomalling.

Financial

The General Rates as detailed for the 2016/2017 financial year have been determined by Council on the basis of raising the revenue required to meet the deficiency between the total expenditure proposed in the budget and the estimated revenue to be received from all sources other than rates.

Legal and Statutory

Local Government Act 1995

Risk related

Nil

Voting Requirements
Absolute Majority
Yes

8.1.1 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

Resolution

Moved Cr Ryan, seconded Cr Sheen that whereas no comments nor submissions were received by the closing date of the advertising period (Wednesday 13th July 2016), Council hereby adopted the following Differential Ratings and Minimum Rates Payments for Unimproved Valuations and Gross Rental Valuations for the 2016/2017 financial year:

Unimproved Value Area

Rural 3 General Farming 0.737 c in \$ Rural 2 Wongamine 0.62 c in \$ Special Rural Residential 1.23 c in \$

Minimum Rate for UV Assessments is \$1,090.00 Minimum Rate for GRV Assessments is \$940.00

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

8.2. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Resolution

Moved Cr Romero, seconded Cr Chester that the Chief Executive Officer's Report for July 2016 be received.

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9. NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of the next meeting of the Goomalling Shire Council ordinary meeting be held in the Council Chamber, Administration Office, 32 Quinlan Street, Goomalling on Wednesday, 17 August 2016, commencing 1.00pm.

11.CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Shire President thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 2.59 pm

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