



MINUTES

ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING


WEDNESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2021

**ONGERUP SPORTING COMPLEX
Jaekel Street, Ongerup, WA, 6336
Commencing at 7:00pm**

Shire of Gnowangerup

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Gnowangerup will be held on Wednesday 3rd February 2021 at the Ongerup Sporting Complex, Jaekel Street Ongerup, WA 6336, commencing at 7:00pm.



Signed: _____

Bob Jarvis

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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These minutes are not a verbatim record but include the contents pursuant to Regulation 11 of Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996.

Signed: _____

Bob Jarvis
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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1. OPENING

Shire President Fiona Gaze welcomed Councillors, Staff and visitors and opened the meeting at 7:02pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Shire of Gnowangerup would like to acknowledge the Goreng people who are the Traditional Custodians of this land. The Shire of Gnowangerup would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Noongar Nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginals present.

3. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

3.1 ATTENDANCE

Cr Fiona Gaze	Shire President
Cr Greg Stewart	Deputy Shire President
Cr Kate O’Keeffe	
Cr Michael Creagh	
Cr Keith House	

Bob Jarvis	Chief Executive Officer
Ian Graham	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Kirsty Buchanan	Community Development Coordinator
Geoff Carberry	Asset and Waste Management Coordinator
Yvette Wheatcroft	Manager of Works
Anita Finn	Executive Assistant

Members of the Public

Graeme Savage
Jan Slee
Gerald Slee
Jamie Spence (from 7:05pm)

3.2 APOLOGIES

Cr Frank Hmeljak
Cr Shelley Hmeljak
Cr Richard House
Cr Chris Thomas

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

4.1 ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING HELD 5th FEBRUARY 2020

Moved: Cr G Stewart

Seconded: Cr M Creagh

That the minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held on 5th February 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: 5/0

4.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

5. CONTENTS OF THE 2019/2020 ANNUAL REPORT

5.1 PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2019/2020

Moved: Cr F Gaze

Seconded: Cr K O'Keeffe

That the Presidents report for 2019/2020 be received and the contents noted.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: 5/0

5.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT 2019/2020

Moved: Cr K O'Keeffe

Seconded: Cr M Creagh

That the Chief Executive Officer's report for 2019/2020 be received and the contents noted.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: 5/0

5.3 RECEIVING OF THE 2019/2020 ANNUAL REPORT INCLUDING THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Moved: Cr G Stewart

Seconded: Cr M Creagh

That the 2019/2020 Annual Report including the Annual Financial Report be received.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: 5/0

6. QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Gerald Slee via email 24th January 2021

- How much is the Shire of Gnowangerup paying for the gardening/landscaping/mowing etc. of the town site of Gnowangerup by outside contractors per annum?
- How much is the Shire of Gnowangerup paying for the gardening/landscaping/mowing etc. for the towns of Ongerup and Borden individually per annum?

Response Ian Graham – Deputy CEO via email on 2nd February 2021

The current budgets in response to the questions:

SHIRE OF GNOWANGERUP PARKS & GARDENS MAINTENANCE	2020-21 BUDGET \$
GNOWANGERUP (CONTRACT COSTS)	
Parks & Gardens	56,285
Sporting Complex, Airport & Cemetery	50,750
TOTAL:	107,035
ONGERUP (SHIRE LABOUR, PLANT & MATERIALS)	
Parks & Gardens	62,573
Sporting Complex Grounds Maintenance	10,471
TOTAL:	73,044
BORDEN (SHIRE LABOUR, PLANT & MATERIALS)	
Parks & Gardens	44,018
Sporting Complex Grounds Maintenance	16,250
TOTAL:	60,268

Discussion regarding the question taken on notice:

Gerald Slee

Ongerup is a mess. The Shire employee who does the maintenance has other work to do. The costs for the maintenance of the Ongerup Parks & Gardens seems to be too high in comparison to Gnowangerup.

CEO Bob Jarvis

It is planned to have a big annually clean up before the Wildflower show and another clean up at the start of each calendar year to take the pressure of the Shire worker and to keep Ongerup clean.

Jamie Spencer

Jamie Spencer suggested to engage a contractor / designated gardener who lives in the Shire and is responsible for all three towns.

CEO Bob Jarvis

The Shire will look into this idea.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Landfill Ongerup

CEO Bob Jarvis / Manager or Works Yvette Wheatcroft

The old landfill holes will be filled and the new holes will be constructed with a new improved plan.

New waste facility (Tip) gates will come into operation on Monday 22nd February 2021 for the Gnowangerup, Borden and Ongerup sites. Access to these facilities will be by Swipe Card. Each property (owner) will receive a card. Shire staff will come to Borden and Ongerup to issue the cards so they don't have to travel to Gnowangerup.

7.2 Councillor Bus Tour

Jan Slee

Jan Slee questioned if it would be possible for the Shire to organise a Councillor bus tour to Ongerup so they have a firsthand view of the assets and problems.

CEO Bob Jarvis

Bob Jarvis advised that a bus tour is planned for the 10th March 2021 for the Councillors to have a look at the assets in the Shire of Gnowangerup including Borden and Ongerup.

7.3 Complaints Register

In response to a question from a member of the public, it was explained that the Complaint/Request Register presented to Councillors on a monthly basis are not published.

7.4 North Stirling Pallinup Natural Resources (NSPNR)

Jamie Spence

Jamie Spence introduced himself as the new Chair of the NSPNR and asked to give a presentation in an upcoming Council Meeting.

CEO Bob Jarvis

Bob Jarvis welcomed the idea and invited him also to the upcoming Water Strategy meeting on 18th February 2021 at the Shire's Office.

8. CLOSURE

Shire President Fiona Gaze, thanked Councillors, staff and community members and closed the meeting at 7:37pm.

FOOTNOTES

Voting:

- *Each elector present at the meeting is entitled to one vote on each matter to be decided, but does not have to vote.*
- *All decisions are to be made by a simple majority vote.*
- *Voting is to be conducted so that no voter's vote is secret.*

Definition of the Elector

An elector is defined in the Local Government Act 1995. An elector is a person who is eligible to vote in an election of the Shire of Gnowangerup. For the purpose of meeting of electors, the definition of an elector is to include ratepayers.

Procedures at Electors Meetings

The procedure to be followed at a general or special meeting of electors is to be determined by the person presiding at the meeting.