Shire of Pingelly

Minutes

Special Council Meeting
11 March 2010
Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of the Shire of Pingelly held in the Council Chambers, 17 Queen Street, Pingelly on 11 March 2010 – commencing at 7.00pm.

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MEMBERS PRESENT
Cr MT Beard  President
Cr SJ Lange  Deputy President
Cr NP Cowcher
Cr RJ Marshall
Cr WV Mulroney from 7.13pm
Cr LN Steel

APOLOGIES
Cr LN Kirk

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE
Mr MG Oliver  Chief Executive Officer

1. OPENING & ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Chairman, Cr MT Beard declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

2. APOLOGIES AND APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE – Nil

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – Nil

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – Nil

5. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
Cr WV Mulroney entered the Chamber at 7.13pm.

5.1 Water Catchment Dam

File Reference: 14.03.03
Location: Pingelly
Applicant: Shire of Pingelly
Date: 10 March 2010
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Author: M.G. Oliver, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil

Summary:
Council to consider and resolve the location of the proposed water catchment dam.

Background:
Council made a provision of $80,000 (Schedule 10 Account 1092) in the 2009/10 Budget to construct a water harvesting dam utilising funds from Year 1 of the Country Local Governments Royalties for Regions grant.

It is understood that 3 sites were selected for consideration:
1. the east side of the oval
2. adjacent to the existing dam
3. downstream from the sewer pond

It is also understood that site 3 was rejected due to shallow rock and that site 2 was rejected due to it being the site of an old rubbish tip.

It is understood that the construction was being held up on the release of a plan from the Department of Agriculture & Food – Rural Towns Liquid Assets Program. That Report – Water Management Plan for the town of Pingelly – was released in January 2010. The Plan confirmed the site 1 selection.

Contact was made with the Department of Agriculture & Food (Mark Pridham) regarding their further specific involvement and advice was received that the Department was expecting the Shire of Pingelly to undertake the construction.

In March, contact was made with contractors Nash Bros and the proposed site east of the oval was test drilled and found to be satisfactory. A specific site was selected for the 20,000m³ excavation – located on the north east corner of the Reserve (immediately north of the yellow hatched area in the aerial and immediately east of the old velodrome).

Excavation is scheduled to commence on 12 March 2010.

On 10 March 2010 concern was raised that Council has not made a specific decision regarding the site selection.
Comment: A search through the Shire of Pingelly’s minutes has failed to find a resolution determining the selected site.

Consultation: Nil

Statutory Environment: Nil

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications: Nil

Strategic Implications: N/A

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

Recommendation: That the proposed 20,000m³ water harvesting dam be constructed on the north east side of the oval as proposed by the Department of Agriculture & Food in their Water Management Plan for the town of Pingelly.

10217 - Moved: Cr Lange, Seconded: Cr Marshall
That the proposed 20,000m³ water harvesting dam be constructed on the north east side of the oval as proposed by the Department of Agriculture & Food in their Water Management Plan for the town of Pingelly.

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14. CLOSURE
The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.