The Coorong District Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 15 March 2011

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of The Coorong District Council held at the Tailem Bend Town Hall Function Centre, Murray Street, Tailem Bend on Tuesday 15 March 2011 commencing at 3:02pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Cr. RJ Strother, Deputy Mayor NR Jaensch, Councillors JG Klitscher, JJ Arthur, LJ McKinna, PE Wright, RW Simcock, SU Bland and AG Dawes.

IN ATTENDANCE: M Boyd (Chief Executive Officer), T Tol (Deputy CEO) (Director Sustainable Development), D Mosel (Director Infrastructure & Assets), N Traeger (Director Corporate & Community), W Ziersch (Minute taker), Laura Peters (observer).

APOLOGIES: Nil

WELCOME
The Mayor welcomed all present, read the civic prayer and acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which we meet.

The Mayor acknowledged the passing of Mr. George Trevorrow, a Ngarrindjeri Rupelli from Meningie.

089/11 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COORONG DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD ON 15 FEBRUARY 2011.
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. McKinna that the minutes (including the confidential minutes) of the Ordinary Meeting of The Coorong District Council held on 15 February 2011 be adopted as a true and correct record.
CARRIED

090/11 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COORONG DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD ON 24 FEBRUARY 2011.
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. McKinnna that the minutes of the Special Meeting of The Coorong District Council held on 24 February 2011 be adopted as a true and correct record.
CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING
Councillors asked questions from the minute action list

Cr. Bland asked a question in relation to minute action number 087/11 – Boat Ramps and Jetties Condition Assessment. Cr. Bland enquired as to the timing and process of the community consultation in relation to the Jetties and Boat Ramp given the anxiety within the community. The CEO responded with information in relation to the petition submitted for Council consideration and the Council resolution from the Special Council meeting on 24 February 2011. Director Infrastructure & Assets advised of the Public Consultation process and that it would commence in a timely manner.

Cr. Bland asked a question regarding minute action number 052/11 - Meningie Dry Area. Cr. Bland asked who will be facilitating the meetings & managing this matter going forward. The CEO advised that the Mayor will be calling the meeting of the committee & that the Directors of Council are currently allocating resources appropriately.

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Cr. Bland asked if a response has been received regarding minute action number 063/11 – Community Group Loan Lake Albert Golf. Director Corporate & Community advise no response has been received as yet.

Cr. Bland requested an update regarding minute action number 024/11 - Bus Shelter Infrastructure Funding. Director of Asset and Infrastructure provided an update of the Councillor submissions received and advised that Council is currently waiting for applications to open.

Cr. Bland asked for an update in relation to the costings that were due in November 2011 in relation to minute action number 386/10 Enviroarc Plan. Director of Infrastructure and Assets advised that it has not been investigated further but an update will be provided to the April meeting.

Cr. Klitscher requested an update regarding minute action number 023/11 - Waste Management Review. Director of Asset and Infrastructure advised that a timeframe has been formulated for the next 12 months in regard to a Council wide Waste Management review.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Question
1. Has the Mitsubishi Track contract been executed yet?
2. Has the first payment due at signing been received?
3. Is the second payment still due within the original time frame?
4. Is the lease for the Mitsubishi Track in writing?
5. Has the Coorong District Council received any payment for the lease?
6. Under the terms of a commercial lease it is customary for the Lessee to pay outgoings such as water and rates etc, has this money been received?
7. Who is the agent/lawyer acting on Council's behalf?

Cr. Andrew Dawes

CEO Response
This information will be provided in a confidential session of Council as all previous considerations by Council have generally been determined confidential pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) of the Local Government Act 1999 as the disclosure of the information:

i. could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Cr. Dawes sought clarification in relation to the wording in the Strategic Directions report which indicates that Council is seeking funding for the implementation of the Main Street Redevelopment Plan and to undertake significant streetscape and stormwater drainage improvements in the main street. Director Sustainable Development advised the report should read that council will seek funding opportunities as they arise.
Cr. Dawes sought clarification regarding the SATC contribution to the Tour Down Under. The CEO advised that the question will be investigated and reported back to Elected Members.

Cr. Arthur asked whether the reconciliation for the Tour Down Under (as provided in the Information Document) is a reasonable expenditure & asked for clarification on staff wages and if this is a true indication of time spent. Director of Corporate and Community advised that the allocation of staff time is recorded as a new cost of resources allocated. CEO provided response that it would be difficult to ascertain the true cost of staff resources in relation to time spent as staff did not record specific time spent on Tour Down Under. Most staff cost is included in the current budget allocations as detailed in the Governance Information report.

Cr. Bland asked whether the costings in relation to the Environarc Plan (Meningie Main Street) could be accurately determined without Community Consultation. Director Infrastructure & Assets indicated that he is discussing the master plan with the consultant to determine indicative costings.

091/11 PETITION
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Klitscher that the petition as presented by the residents of Meningie regarding Boat Ramps and Jetties be tabled and received by Council. CARRIED

MAYORS REPORT
The Mayor elaborated on his written report.

The Mayor indicated the following meetings he had attended but were not recorded in the agenda;

- 8 March, Marine Parks committee meeting, Goolwa
- 10 March, George Trevorrow’s funeral, Meningie

Cr. Bland requested information in relation to a meeting that the Mayor attended with Southern Fisheries representatives at Meningie and how this will impact on their businesses. The Mayor advised Council of the outcomes of this meeting and the significant implications on the local fishing industry if the no-take areas go ahead as documented in the Marine Parks plan.

The Mayor advised that he will be attending a meeting in Goolwa on the 21st of March 2011 with Cr Dawes in relation to the Boating facilities on Lake Albert & Lake Alexandrina.

The Mayor elaborated on the Keith Hospital meeting that he attended as an observer.

Cr. Simcock expressed his concern and sought clarification in relation to comments made within a media report regarding Boat Ramps & Jetties in the Council area.

ELECTED MEMBER REPORTS
The Elected Members elaborated on their written reports.
Cr Bland declared a conflict of interest in the Meningie Aerodrome Committee item and left the Chamber at 3.36pm.

092/11 MENINGIE AERODROME COMMITTEE
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Wright that Council:
1. nominate Cr. Dawes as its representative to the Meningie Aerodrome Committee and as Proxy Cr. Strother
2. Endorse the Community representatives to the Meningie Aerodrome Section 41 Committee as Matt Paton, George Bland, Susan Lewis and Dion Pittendreigh
CARRIED

Cr. Bland returned to the Chamber at 3.38pm.

093/11 ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER INDUCTION POLICY AND PLAN
Moved Cr. Simcock, Sec. Cr. Bland that Council:
1. Adopt the Council Members’ Induction Policy and note the plan.
2. Note that Council will have a further opportunity to review the Council Members’ Induction Plan in the ensuing months.
CARRIED

094/11 BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT FACILITATION PANEL
Moved Cr. Wright, Sec. Cr. Simcock that Council:
1. receive and note the report from the Chief Executive Officer concerning Boundary Adjustment Facilitation Panel consideration of the public initiated submission for a boundary adjustment between the Coorong District Council and the Southern Mallee District Council;
2. delegate to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer the authority to initiate discussions Mid Murray Council, District Council of Karoonda East Murray, and Southern Mallee District Council to ascertain if greater economies of scale can be achieved with alternative service delivery models.
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095/11 MURRAYLANDS 2011 MUSIC FESTIVAL SPONSORSHIP REQUEST
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Simcock that Council provide sponsorship of $5,000 to the 2011 Murraylands Music Festival subject to the following conditions:
1. Council being the sole naming rights sponsor for the Festival, in the absence of the Festival attaining sponsorship from any other single source which is in within $1,000 of Council’s contribution.
2. Council receiving acknowledgement for its sponsorship on all printed and promotional material pertaining to the Festival.
3. Council receiving significant public, verbal acknowledgement during the course of the Festival.
4. Free entry to one day of the Festival for all elected members of Council.
5. Council receiving 5 free tickets to the full festival program.
6. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors being provided with the opportunity to present the major prizes to award winners.
7. Council being publicly presented with an item of memorabilia, to be autographed by all major artists appearing at the Festival and suitable for public display at the Tailem Bend Town Hall.
8. Council being able to display banners and maintain an information stand/corporate tent for the duration of the Festival.

CARRIED

096/11 KEITH HOSPITAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Bland that Council nominate Cr. Arthur with Cr Klitscher as proxy, as it’s representative to continue the ongoing fight to retain the Keith Hospital.

CARRIED

SUSPENSION OF MEETING PROCEDURES – 3:51pm
Mayor Strother suspended meeting procedures for 10 minutes to discuss and ask questions regarding the Keith Hospital financial support.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING PROCEDURES – 4:02pm
Mayor Strother resumed meeting procedures at 4:02pm.

097/11 KEITH HOSPITAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT
Moved Cr. Klitscher, Sec. Cr. Simcock that Council does not provide any financial commitment to Keith Hospital, however Council will auspice community discussion with appropriate representation from health professionals in the district.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

098/11 POWER SUPPLY TO THE NARRUNG PENINSULA & MENINGIE DISTRICT
Moved Cr. Bland, Sec. Cr. Wright that Council
1. contact the relevant electricity supplier and ascertain future options & solutions to the problems raised.
2. advise Mr & Mrs Fischer of Council’s action

CARRIED

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099/11 LOWER LAKES & COORONG INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM 10 FEBRUARY 2011
Moved Cr. Klitscher, Sec. Cr. McKinna that Council
1. receives the minutes from the Lower Lakes & Coorong Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 10 February 2011.
2. endorse that the Lower Lakes & Coorong Infrastructure Committee write to Department for Environment & Natural Resources requesting that they define the extent of the restoration program to be undertaken in the Narrung narrows in conjunction with removal of the rest of the Bund, including silt build up and the ferry causeway.
CARRIED

100/11 TINTINARA DEVELOPMENT GROUP MINUTES FROM MEETING 9 FEBRUARY 2011
Moved Cr. Simcock, Sec. Cr. McKinna that Council
1. that Council receives the minutes from the Tintinara Development Group meeting held on 9 February 2011.
2. consider the provision of a footpath from Becker Tce and Lewis Street corners to the start of Emu Springs Rd due to the use of Gophers and Pushers to this area and the possibility of this work being included when the Allepo Pine tree is removed at the Tennis Courts.
3. That a decision on the RV dumping point in Tintinara be deferred until Director Infrastructure & Assets has investigated the site and a report is presented to Council detailing those findings and a recommendation.
CARRIED

101/11 TINTINARA DEVELOPMENT GROUP MINUTES FROM MEETING 7 MARCH 2011
Moved Cr. Wright, Sec. Cr. Jaensch that Council
1. That Council receives the minutes from the Tintinara Development Group meeting held on 7 March 2011.
2. note that the Tintinara Development Group will apply for development & building approval for the Machinery site
CARRIED

102/11 TAILEM RAIL COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM 25 JANUARY 2011
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Wright that Council
1. That Council receives the minutes from the Tailem Rail Committee Meeting held on 25 January 2011, noting that there were no recommendations to Council.
CARRIED
103/11  COONALPYN SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE MINUTES FROM 8 FEBRUARY 2011
Moved Cr. Klitscher, Sec. Cr. Bland that Council
1. that Council receives the minutes from the Coonalpyn Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2011.
2. that the operational requests from the committee be followed up by Director Infrastructure & Assets.
3. that the purchase of a bench with plaque to be placed under big gum tree be included in budget considerations for 2011-12.
CARRIED

104/11  AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM MEETING 2 MARCH 2011
Moved Cr. Wright, Sec. Cr. Simcock;
1. That Council receives the minutes from the Audit Committee Meeting held on 2 March 2011.
2. That the CEO explore options in relation to the most appropriate staff member to be the Responsible Officer for the purposes of including in the Whistleblowers Policy.
3. That the LGA request the State Government to provide an alteration to Section 302B of the Local Government Act 1999 so that an Authorised Person can either be a person appointed as an independent of Council (similar to the independent person appointed by Council to chair the Audit Committee) or the independent Local Government Governance Panel established by the Local Government Association (under the provisions of the Code of Conduct/Election Caretaker Period complaint handling procedure).
4. That a selective tender process be undertaken to appoint an external auditor for a five year period, commencing 2011/12.
5. That the Procurement (Incorporating Contracts & Tenders) Policy be endorsed for adoption.
7. That the Treasury Management Policy be endorsed for adoption.
8. That for the purposes of the appointment of an external auditor for a five year period commencing 2011/12, selective tenders be invited from Dean Newbery & Partners, Ian McDonald, Galpin, Engler Bruins & Dempsey, UHY Haines Norton, HLB Mann Judd, PKF Chartered Accountants and Deloittes.
CARRIED

105/11  STRATEGIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM 24 FEBRUARY 2011
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Arthur that Council
1. receives the minutes from the Strategic Planning & Development Policy Committee Meeting held on 24 February 2011, noting that there were no recommendations to Council.
2. include a Local Heritage Survey and Local Heritage Development Plan Amendment for consideration in the Strategic Directions Report.
3. release the Strategic Directions Report for public and agency consultation in accordance with the requirements of the Development Act 1993.
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ADJOURNMENT
The Mayor adjourned the meeting for a short break at 4.16 pm 
The Mayor resumed the meeting at 4.22 pm.

106/11 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT TO 28 FEBRUARY 2011
Moved Cr. Simcock, Sec. Cr. Bland that Council adopt the finance report as tabled.  
CARRIED

SUSPENSION OF MEETING PROCEDURES – 4:22pm
Mayor Strother suspended meeting procedures for 10 minutes to discuss and ask questions regarding the Community Events, Grants and Donation.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING PROCEDURES - 4:35pm
Mayor Strother resumed meeting procedures.

107/11 COMMUNITY EVENTS, GRANTS & DONATIONS SUBMISSIONS (ROUND TWO)
Moved Cr. Arthur, Sec. Cr. Simcock that Council provide funding to the following Community Groups.

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<td>Tailem Bend Football Club</td>
<td>Upgrade &amp; improve change room facilities</td>
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CARRIED

108/11 MOTOR VEHICLE POLICY - REVIEW
Moved Cr. McKinna, Sec. Cr. Wright that the Motor Vehicle Policy as reviewed be adopted as tabled.

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109/11 LEASE BETWEEN BIOSECURITY SA (PIRSA) AND COUNCIL FOR USE OF OFFICE SPACE IN TINTINARA
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Klitscher that Council grant delegated authority to the Mayor and CEO to sign and affix Council’s common seal to the lease between Council and Biosecurity for a 12 month period for the use of office space and associated amenities at the Tintinara Office.

CARRIED

110/11 RICHARDSON ROAD UPGRADE
Moved Cr. Wright, Sec. Cr. Bland that the Report be received and noted

CARRIED

111/11 COMMUNITY NEEDS ANALYSIS
Moved Cr. Arthur, Sec. Cr. Bland that;
2. The Community Needs Analysis report be advertised for community comment and that a further report be provided at the May Council meeting.
3. The Community Liaison Officer position and other proposed costs be included in the draft 2011/12 Budget

CARRIED

112/11 COORONG COMMUNITY LINKS ADVISORY GROUP
Moved Cr. Bland, Sec. Cr. Wright that Council endorse the revised Coorong Community Links Advisory Group Terms of Reference as adopted by the Coorong Community Links Advisory Group at its meeting held in October 2010 and that three community representatives, one from each ward, be included.

CARRIED

113/11 RECREATION AND CONSERVATION PLAN – SECTIONS 181, 145 AND LOT 51 HUNDRED OF COOMBE
Moved Cr. Arthur, Sec. Cr. Klitscher that Council
1. Delegate to the Deputy Chief Executive Officer to make any minor amendments to the Recreation and Conservation Plan for Sections 181, 145 and Lot 51 Hundred of Coombe that may be suggested by the Department of Environment and Heritage.
2. Adopt the amended Recreation and Conservation Plan for Sections 181, 145 and Lot 51 Hundred of Coombe, subject to receiving endorsement from the Department of Environment and Heritage.

CARRIED

QUESTIONS FROM THE INFORMATION DOCUMENT
Cr. Jaensch advised that he has been in contact with the Tailem Bend RSL Sub-Branch and they would like to welcome all Elected Members to their Anzac Day service.

Cr. Wright congratulated Cr. Arthur on his nomination for the SA Water Customer Council.

Director Sustainable Development reminded Council of the upcoming workshops regarding the Tourism and Economic Development Plan.

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114/11 INTO CONFIDENCE - QUESTION WITH NOTICE – CR. A DAWES – 4:55pm
Moved Cr. Wright, Sec. Cr. Jaensch that in accordance with Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that the public, (excepting the Chief Executive Officer, Director Infrastructure and Assets, Director Sustainable Development, Director Corporate and Community and Executive Assistant), be excluded from attendance at the meeting to the extent that the Council considers it necessary to receive, discuss or consider in confidence the report – Question with Notice – Cr. A Dawes.

That the Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) of the Local Government Act 1999;

The information the disclosure of which-
i. Could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person whom the Council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council.

CARRIED

The Public left the meeting at 4:55pm

115/11 OUT OF CONFIDENCE- 5:01pm
Moved Cr. Jaensch, Sec. Cr. Wright that the Council pursuant to Section 91(7)(b) of that Act order that the discussion, report, and resolution remain in confidence.

CARRIED

The Public were admitted to the meeting at 5:01pm.

CLOSURE
There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 5:02pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT..................................................... CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CONFIRMED / /11..................................................... MAYOR