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**Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council held at the Northampton Council Chamber,  
Hampton Road, Northampton on the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

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**4.1 OPENING**

The President thanked all members present for their attendance, welcomed all Councillors and declared the meeting open at 1.00pm.

**4.2 PRESENT**

Cr G Wilson	President	Northampton Ward
Cr G Leggett		Northampton Ward
Cr O Simkin		Northampton Ward
Cr S Stock-Standen		Northampton Ward
Cr B Cripps		Northampton Ward
Cr S Penn		Kalbarri Ward
Cr J Booth		Kalbarri Ward
Cr P Gliddon		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keeffe	Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Jamie Criddle	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Glenn Bangay	EHO/Building Surveyor	
Mr Neil Broadhurst	Manager of Works and Technical Services	

**4.2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil.

**4.2.2 APOLOGIES**

Cr T Carson		Northampton Ward
Cr L Parker	Deputy President	Kalbarri Ward

**4.3 QUESTION TIME**

There were members of the public present with questions from the following people:

**4.3.1 MEG BROOKS – NORTHAMPTON CREATIVE OBSESSIONS GROUP**

An outline of the group's current and future activities was highlighted with the request that Council strongly consider the group's request that is presented later in the agenda.

**4.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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**4.4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 19<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH 2010**

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.4.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil.

**4.5 RECEIVAL OF MINUTES**

**4.5.1 BATAVIA REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS**

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr PENN

That the minutes of the Batavia Regional Organisation of Councils held on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
March 2010 be received.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.5.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil.

**4.5.2 NORTHAMPTON BUSHFIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That the minutes of the Northampton Bushfire Advisory Committee held on the 31<sup>st</sup>  
March 2010 be received.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.5.2.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**4.5.1.1.1 AUTHORISED OFFICERS – BUSHFIRES ACT**

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That the below persons be appointed as Authorised Officers to exercise powers  
pursuant to the Bush Fires Act 1954:

Chief Fire Control Officer

Sam Smith

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Deputy Chief Fire Control Officers

Dennis Box (South)  
Todd Henville (North)

Bushfire Control Officers

Garry Keeffe	Jameon Criddle	Lesley (Owen) Simkin
Hayden Teakle	Ken Harris	Len Simmons
Stan Sutherland	Nigel Simkin	Anton Atkinson
Richard Allen	Chris Hasleby	Marshall Clifton
Lindsay Rowe	Mick Morris	

All previous appointments are hereby cancelled.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.6 WORKS REPORT**

**4.6.1 MAINTENANCE WORKS/PROGRAMMED WORKS (ITEM 6.1.1)**

Noted.

Mr Neil Broadhurst, Manager of Works and Technical Services left the meeting at 1.12pm.

**4.7 HEALTH & BUILDING REPORT**

**4.7.1 INFORMATION ITEMS – HEALTH/BUILDING (ITEM 6.2.1)**

Noted.

**4.8 TOWN PLANNING REPORT**

**4.8.1 FINAL ADOPTION OF LOCAL PLANNING POLICY – COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING LAWS (ITEM 6.3.1)**

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council, pursuant to Clause 11.6.2 of *Town Planning Scheme No. 6*, Clause 10.2.2 of *Town Planning Scheme No. 8* and Clause 8.9.2 of *Town Planning Scheme No. 9*, adopt the “Compliance and Enforcement of Planning Laws” *Local Planning Policy* (attached to Item 6.3.1 of the April 2010 Town Planning Report) for final approval.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.8.2 SUMMARY OF PLANNING INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.3.2)**

Noted.

4.8.3	PROPOSED EXTENSIONS (OFFICE) TO WAREHOUSE – LOT 570 (NO. 16) SUTHERLAND STREET, KALBARRI (ITEM 6.3.3)
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Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That Council grant Planning Approval for extensions (office) to the existing warehouse on Lot 570 (No. 16) Sutherland Street, Kalbarri subject to the following conditions:

1. Development shall be in accordance with the attached approved plan(s) dated 16 April, 2010 and subject to any modifications required as a consequence of any condition(s) of this approval. The endorsed plans shall not be modified or altered without the prior written approval of the local government;
2. This approval shall lapse if the development is not substantially commenced within two (2) years of the date of this approval;
3. A building licence shall be issued by the local government prior to the commencement of any work on the site;
4. All stormwater is to be disposed of on-site to the specifications and approval of the local government;
5. The Applicant is advised that the development will require the installation of a septic tank, which requires the approval of the local government pursuant to the Health (Treatment of Sewerage and Disposal of Effluent and Liquid Waste) Regulations 1974. The Applicant is advised that septic tanks will not be approved closer than 1.2m to the foundations of any building, or to the boundary of any lot. Disposal systems (i.e. soak well, leach drain) are not to be closer than 1.8m to the boundary of any lot, building, septic tank, or disposal system;
6. Two (2) car bays are to be provided to the development, as indicated on the attached amended plans dated 16 April, 2010;
7. Car parking areas are to be paved/sealed, line marked, drained and thereafter maintained to the approval of the local government; and
8. No signs are to be erected on the lot without the local government's approval.

CARRIED 8/0

Mr Glenn Bangay, EHO/Building Surveyor left the meeting at 1.19pm.

<b>4.9 FINANCE REPORT</b>
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**4.9.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (ITEM 6.4.1)**

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr LEGGETT

That Municipal Fund Cheques 18217 to 18270 inclusive, totalling \$419,125.22; Municipal EFT payments numbered EFT7405 to EFT7513 inclusive totalling \$505,171.99, Direct Credit payments GJ07-02, GJ07-04 to GJ07-09 totalling \$47,601.37 and Trust Fund Cheques 1745 to 1757 totalling \$2,360.00, be passed for payment and the items therein be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

**4.9.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ITEM 6.4.2)**

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council adopts the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending 31 March 2010 and notes any material variances greater than \$5,000.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.10 ADMINISTRATION AND CORPORATE REPORT**

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr LEGGETT

That Council defer item 6.5.1 until the end of the Administration and Corporate Report.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.10.2 STREET LIGHT ACTIVATION – ECO FLORA & CAPITAL HILL (ITEM 6.5.2)**

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr PENN

That Council accept the decision of Western Power pertaining to the street light activation in the Eco Flora and Capital Hill Estates as provided in their report and that no further action be taken regarding this matter.

That the Northampton Shire community be notified of the decision and the associated costs involved via the Northampton News and Kalbarri Town Talk.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.10.3 CORAL COAST STRATEGY – INDIAN OCEAN DRIVE (ITEM 6.5.3)**

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council commits within the 2010/2011 Budget a provision of \$10,000 to implement the Coral Coast Strategy to increase the length of stay and visitors dispersal in the coral coast region.

CARRIED 8/0

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Cr's Booth and Gliddon are members of the Kalbarri Golf & Bowling Club and therefore have an impartiality interest in item 4.10.3.

**4.10.4 SELF SUPPORTING LOAN – KALBARRI GOLF & BOWLING CLUB INC  
(ITEM 6.5.4)**

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That Council

1. Approve the raising of a self supporting loan of \$30,000 over a period of 10 years for the Kalbarri Golf and Bowling Club Inc for the purpose of installation of air-conditioning to their premises, subject to the provisions of Section 6.20 of the Local Government Act 1995 including advertising of the proposed borrowings.
2. Authorise management to progress with the raising of the loan and entering into a Deed of Agreement should there be no submissions received on the proposal at the completion of the advertising period.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

**4.10.5 NORTHAMPTON BOTANIC LINE – OLD RAILWAY ROUTE (ITEM 6.5.5)**

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council not approve of the survey within the 2009/2010 financial year and that consideration for the survey of the land as described within Item 6.5.5 of the report be listed for consideration within the 2010/2011 Budget.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.10.6 PURCHASE OF PREMISES FOR CRAFT GROUPS (ITEM 6.5.6)**

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr PENN

That Council request the Northampton Creative Obsessions group to develop plans for a purpose built, custom made facility to allow funding applications to be lodged to help fund the building and recommend a preferred location on current Council owned/controlled land.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.10.7 CHANGE OF FUNDING PURPOSE – MOBILE STAGE (ITEM 6.5.7)**

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council approve the variation to budget allocation requested by the Northampton District Agricultural Society from the construction of a mobile stage to the purchase of marquees.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0



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**4.10.8 BUS SERVICES – PERTH TO BROOME (ITEM 6.5.8)**

Moved Cr CRIPPS, seconded Cr LEGGETT

That Council support Greyhound Australia and write to the State Government and lobby the Government to subsidise the Perth to Broome bus route provided by Greyhound Australia.

CARRIED 8/0

**4.10.9 REVIEW OF POLICIES, DELEGATIONS & FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE  
FUTURE (ITEM 6.5.9)**

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That a Special Meeting of Council be held Wednesday 26 May 2010 commencing at 9.30am at the Northampton Council Chambers to undertake a review of Delegation Register, Policy Manual and a Financial Plan for the Future.

CARRIED 8/0

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr BOOTH

That due to item 4.10.1 affecting employees Council proceeds “in-camera”.

CARRIED 8/0

Council proceeded “in-camera” at 2.06pm.

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council no longer proceeds “in-camera”.

CARRIED 8/0

Council ceased proceeding “in-camera” at 3.05pm.

**4.10.1 ENTERPRISE BARGAINING AGREEMENT – WORKS STAFF (ITEM 6.5.1)**

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That Council as part of negotiations to enter into an Enterprise Bargaining Agreement with Works Staff:

Agree to:

- Increase the current base salary of all works staff by 22% as per Clause 8 of the draft agreement.

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- An increase of wages annually by the current CPI should a National Wage increase not be award. Further if the CPI is greater than the National Wage increase then Council increases the works staff wages to meet the current CPI. CPI is the Western Australian CPI as at the end of the March quarter as per Clause 9 of the draft agreement.
- A payment of \$100 per employee for grave digging where those work are for a dual interment or in adverse conditions as per Clause 16 of the draft agreement.
- A call out fee of \$50 when the employee has worked more than 3 hours.
- A bonus payment of \$150 per employee for each six month period of work provided that during each period:
  - No sick leave claim is submitted by the employee without a Medical Certificate during the six month period.
  - No unauthorised absences from the workplace are recorded against the employee during the six month period.
  - No more than four weeks paid leave is taken by the employee during the six month period.
  - No unpaid leave is taken by the employee during the six month period.As per clause 11 of the draft agreement.
- The accumulation of 3 full working days as time off in lieu as per Clause 18 of the draft agreement.

Not agree to:

- Payment of a service pay for years of service as per Clause 10 of the draft agreement.
- Payment of a housing subsidy as per Clause 12 of the draft agreement.
- Payment for performance related bonus, as per Clause 13 of the draft agreement, works staff have agreed to this.
- Payment of an allowance when required to work on a public holiday as per Clause 15 of the draft agreement.

CARRIED 8/0

AFTERNOON TEA ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.06pm and reconvened at 3.26pm with the following in attendance:

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Cr Wilson, Cr Cripps, Cr Leggett, Cr Simkin, Cr Stock-Standen, Cr Booth, Cr Gliddon, Cr Penn, the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Garry Keeffe and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Jamie Criddle.

Cr Cripps left the meeting at 3.26pm.

**4.11 PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Since the last Council meeting the President, Cr Wilson reported on his attendance at the following:

- Nino Messina, President of the Shire of Mullewa Freemanship of the Shire of Mullewa, presented by the Minister for Local Government, Hon. John Castrilli.
- Northern Zone meeting of WALGA.
- Official opening of the St John Ambulance Accommodation Quarters

**4.12 DEPUTY PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Nil.

**4.13 COUNCILLORS REPORT**

**4.13.1 Cr SIMKIN**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Simkin reported on his attendance to the following:

- Northampton Bushfire Advisory Committee meeting.

**4.13.2 Cr PENN**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Penn reported on her attendance to the following:

- Plastic Bag free Shire launch at the Kalbarri District High School.

**4.13.3 Cr GLIDDON**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Gliddon reported on her attendance to the following:

- Jakes Point dedication as only the second National Surfing Reserve in Western Australia.
- Plastic Bag free Shire launch at the Kalbarri District High School Off Shore Angling

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**4.13.4 Cr BOOTH**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Booth reported on her attendance to the following:

- Jakes Point dedication as only the second National Surfing Reserve in Western Australia.
- Plastic Bag free Shire launch at the Kalbarri District High School.

**4.13.5 Cr LEGGETT**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Leggett reported on his attendance to the following:

- Northampton Historical Society meeting.
- Northampton Tourist Association meeting.
- Harmony Day held in Geraldton which had an Indonesian theme. Northampton District High School Students performed an Indonesian style dance which was warmly received.

**4.14 INFORMATION BULLETIN**

Noted.

**4.15 NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Nil.

**4.16 NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL**

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at the Northampton Council Chamber, Hampton Road, Northampton, on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010.

**4.17 CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the President thanked all present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 4.11pm.