Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Northern Areas Council, held in the Council Chamber, 94 Ayr Street, Jamestown on Tuesday 17th December 2002.

PRESENT: Cr. JW Burgess (Chairman)  Cr. MJ Catford (Deputy Chairman)  Cr. DV Clark  Cr. LWJ Longmire  Cr. DF McPherson  Cr. MJ Robinson  Cr. FC Sparks  Cr. WJ Walden  Paul McInerney (Chief Executive Officer)  Frank Roberts (Manager of Engineering Services)  Alan Thomson (Manager of Environmental Services)  Ben Coventry (Planning Officer)  Keith Hope (Community Projects Development Manager)  [Entered Chamber at 8:17 pm]  Peter Ward (Manager of Finance & Administration) [Entered Chamber at 6:40 pm]  Roger Crowley (Senior Admin Officer)

APOLOGIES: Cr. AG Woolford

ABSENT: Nil

MEETING COMMENCED: 5:02 pm

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved Cr. Sparks seconded Cr. Walden that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Northern Areas Council held on the 19th November 2002 as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

CARRIED 3161

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

3. REVIEW OF APPOINTMENTS AND MEMBERS ALLOWANCES

Cr. Burgess advised the meeting that he has been appointed the inaugural Chairman of the South Australian Regions of Councils.

4. ADVISORY COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL ETC - REPORTS & FINDING

Nil

5. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

6. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
7. MOTIONS ON NOTICE
Nil

8. MOTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE
Nil

9. PETITIONS
Nil

10. DEPUTATIONS/VISITORS
Nil

11. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that the Environmental Services Reports be taken as read and noted.

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11.1 PLANNING OFFICER’S REPORT

11.1.1 Section 30 Review
The Environmental Services Department conducted the Whistle stop tour of the Council area to collect public opinion on the Section 30 Review. The tour was very informative with relevant information gathered at all communities.

The information gathered at each community visit will be collated and go towards the preparation of the final Section 30 report.

11.1.2 Community Lands
Community Land – resolution to exclude land from the classification as community land

Moved Cr. McPherson seconded Cr. Walden that the Northern Areas Council pursuant to Section 193 of the Local Government Act 1999, having consulted the community in accordance with Council’s Public Consultation Policy and taken into account submissions received as a result of that process, resolves to exclude from the classification as community land the properties listed in the attached Schedule.

SCHEDULE OF LAND TO BE EXCLUDED FROM COMMUNITY LAND CLASSIFICATION

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CARRIED 3163
11.1.3 Jamestown Industrial Land
I have contacted Valuation SA in Clare and have requested a valuation to be carried out on the industrial land based on the concept plan put forward before the last council meeting. The 24th of January 2003 appears to be the earliest that Valuation SA can prepare a valuation.

11.1.4 Submission For The NRM Discussion Paper
A submission has been prepared and submitted to the NRM Taskforce, the closing date for submissions was Friday the 13th November, 2002.

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that Council endorse the submission to the NRM Taskforce, prepared by the Planning Officer.

CARRIED 3164

11.1.5 Mid North Builders & Supplies
A letter was received from Mr Alan Stewart of Mid North Builders and Supplies, Mr Stewart is proposing to build a new state of the art hardware shop on lots 102-104 Herbert Street, Laura.

Mr Stewart is seeking assistance with:
- Earthworks to clear the property and prepare it for development.
- Any landscaping for client presentation on footpaths.
- And/or rate relief over a few years.
- Assurance that zoning in the future will not impact on the business.

 Moved Cr. Walden seconded Cr. Clark that in principal support be given to the request for assistance, received from Mid North Builders & Supplies, with the exception of rate relief.

CARRIED 3165

Meeting Adjourned
5:20 pm Moved Cr. Clark seconded Cr. McPherson that the meeting adjourn for the Development Assessment Panel meeting.

CARRIED 3166

Meeting Resumed
6:19 pm Moved Cr. Clark seconded Cr. Robinson that the meeting resume (With the exception of Frank Roberts).

CARRIED 3167

11.1.6 Belalie Creek Algae Problem
Letter received from Mardi van der Wielen, Project Officer for the River Murray Catchment Water Management Board, in regards to the algal growth in the Belalie creek and possible solutions to the problem.

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that the Planning Officer seek a solution to the algae problem in the Belalie Creek and present a report to Council for consideration.

CARRIED 3168

Frank Roberts returned to the Council Chamber at 6:24 pm.
11.1.7 Transfer Of Former Railway Corridor North Of Laura

Re pieces 52 & 53 directly north of Laura adjacent to Main North Road.

To enable Transport SA to proceed with the transfer of the land, Council’s written acknowledgement and acceptance of the following conditions is required:-

1. Council will bear all costs associated with the transfer of the said land;
2. Council agrees to the land being transferred to the Crown and dedication for recreational purposes with Council having care control and management of the land.
3. The transfer is subject to the Minister for Environment and Conservation agreeing to the land being transferred to the Crown and dedication as a reserve.
4. Council acknowledges receipt of the Environment Site Assessment “Resource and Environmental Management (1 October 2002) Human Health Assessment, Former Laura Railway Corridor, Laura South Australia Document Reference:R:PROJECTS\TSA(AN)\003-GLASTONELAURA\PFSTG2LAURARAILCORRIDOR\RISKASSESS02.DOCC\1-OCT-02 and accepts transfer of the land subject to any existing contamination and any recommendations outlined in the report.
5. Council acknowledges that Transport SA provides no assurance that the site is suitable for the proposed use or any other use.
6. Council acknowledges that further environmental investigations would be required to determine the suitability of the site for any other use. These investigations would be the responsibility of Council.
7. Any remediation of the land will be the responsibility of the Council upon acceptance of the transfer of the land.
8. Council is to confirm that they will ensure that any future transferees, lessees, workers or users of these sites are informed of the contamination issues and specified land use according to the reports.

The recommendations from the Environment Site Assessment “Resource and Environmental Management (1 October 2002) Human Health Assessment, Former Laura Railway Corridor, Laura South Australia.

In order for the site to be used for its proposed use, the following is recommended:
•  remediate the small portion of the site (< 100m²) identified as contaminated by lead through limiting exposure to the contaminated soil by covering or sealing the area in an appropriate manner (eg a layer of clean fill); and
•  it be appreciated that soils identified as contaminated at concentrations in excess of the NEPM EILs may not be suitable for the healthy growth of plants or for offsite disposal.”

Moved Cr. Walden seconded Cr. Catford that Transport SA be advised that Council would be prepared to consider accepting transfer of pieces 52 and 55 to Council if TSA is willing to
remediate the small portion of the site (< 100 m²) identified as contaminated by lead in the Resource and Environmental Management (1 October 2002) Human Health Assessment Report. That TSA be asked to identify the future for the site if Council should not accept transfer of the site.

CARRIED 3169

11.1.8 Native Title
A copy of an article from Talking Native Title, The News from the National Native Title Tribunal was provided to Council. The article is titled “SA court decision clarifies pastoral lease issue“ and covers some aspects of the decision on the De Rose Hill Native Title Claim.

11.2 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGERS REPORT

(1) Correspondence

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Sparks that all Correspondence Reports be received and noted.

CARRIED 3170

Peter Ward entered the Council Chamber at 6:40pm.

(a) Spalding Community Management Committee
Re: Requesting the demolition of the old Spalding CFS Shed (I12932 F180.2.6)

Moved Cr. Catford seconded Cr. Walden that Council call for quotations for the demolition and removal of the old Spalding CFS building. That the net proceeds resulting from the demolition and sale of the CFS building and towers to be put towards the cost of relocating the existing electricity supply to the public toilet building and the supply and installation of a new electric barbecue in Centenary Park. That half the cost of the supply and installation of a new electric barbecue in Centenary Park be recouped from the net proceeds allocated to the Spalding Community Management Committee from the future sale of the Council house in Spalding.

CARRIED 3171

(b) Elizabeth Turrini – 12 West Terrace, Laura
Re: Boundary fence between Laura Civic Centre Mr. & Mrs Turrini have advised Council that they will be erecting a 1.8 metre high colourbond fence along the boundary between their new dwelling and the Laura Civic Centre car park. They have requested Council to pay half the cost of this section of fence.

Moved Cr. Sparks seconded Cr. Clark that in compliance with the Fences Act 1975, the Manager of Environmental Services arrange a quotation for materials and labour to erect an adequate fence (that conforms with the general standard of fencing in the locality) along the boundary between the Laura Civic
Centre and 12 West Terrace, Laura, with Council offering to meet half the cost.  
CARRIED 3172

Meeting Adjourned
7:04 pm Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. McPherson that the meeting adjourn for the evening meal.  
CARRIED 3173

Meeting Resumed
8:17 pm Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Catford that the meeting be called back into session. (Except Ben Coventry)  
CARRIED 3174

Keith Hope entered the Council Chamber at 8:17 pm.

(c) Mr. M. Boyd, 4 George Street, Gladstone
Re: Proposes to erect a fence between his property and Council owned land in George Street, Gladstone. Mr. Boyd has submitted a cost for new materials.

Moved Cr. Longmire seconded Cr. McPherson that Council supply the rails, cement and fixing screws required to complete the fence between 4 George Street, Gladstone and the boundary of the Council Depot and acknowledge Mr Boyd’s labour and material contribution.  
CARRIED 3175

(d) Gladstone STEDS
One design Engineer has carried out an initial survey of Gladstone and the contract documents specify a reuse system to be included. The LGA project manager advised that they prefer the reuse effluent to be used on Council owned land if possible as this allows Council to control the system and ensures a long term continuity of a disposal site.

(3) Council Buildings
(a) Jamestown Memorial Hall
A small area of the plaster ceiling collapsed in the dressing room and has been made safe. The ceiling cannot be repaired and needs to be replaced. Cost of replacing the ceiling is $2000.00.

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that Council replace the defective dressing room ceiling in the Jamestown Memorial Hall with a plaster board ceiling.  
CARRIED 3176

(b) Spalding Town Hall
Spalding Community Management advised that the floor tiles in the wet areas of the Town Hall are slippery and have requested that Council rectify the problem as soon as possible.
Resolved that the Manager of Environmental Services investigate alternative methods of ensuring that the existing floor in the bar area of the Spalding District Hall has a non slip surface and present a report to Council at the January 2003 meeting.

12. MANAGER OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Moved Cr. Clark seconded Cr. Robinson that the Manager of Finance & Admin Report be taken as read and noted.

CARRIED 3177

12.1 BANK RECONCILIATION

Bank Reconciliation and the LGFA Balances as at 30 November 2002.

Moved Cr. McPherson seconded Cr. Sparks that the bank Reconciliation and LGFA Deposits Report as at 30 November 2002 be accepted.

CARRIED 3178

12.2 BUDGET COMPARISON

Budget comparison for the 5 months ended 30 November 2002.

Moved Cr. Sparks seconded Cr. Clark that the Budget comparison for the 5 months ended 30 November 2002 be adopted.

CARRIED 3179

12.3 CHEQUES LISTING

Cheque listing for November 2002.

Moved Cr. McPherson seconded Cr. Clark that cheques numbered 9159-9233, Electronic Fund Transfers numbered EF2094-EF2193 and National Online transfers (Wages), totalling $561,081.30 be passed for payment.

CARRIED 3180

12.4 HYDROTHERAPY POOL

The Hydrotherapy Pool Reserve will be transferred to Council to meet expenditure on the building and pool purchase costs to date. Given the nature of building projects, it would be prudent to establish a facility for $100,000, so that any possible over-runs are catered for.

Moved Cr. Sparks seconded Cr. Walden that Council borrow $100,000 from the Local Government Finance Authority for a term of 10 years for the purpose of short term project finance for the Jamestown Regional Hydrotherapy Pool, on a secured Cash Advance Debenture with a floating rate of interest (currently 5.75%), and further that the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer are both authorised to execute the loan documentation under Council Seal.

CARRIED 3181

12.5 END OF YEAR FINANCIALS - EXTERNAL AUDIT & ANNUAL REPORT

Dean Newbery & Partners have completed their Audit for the 2001-02 financial year, and signed off the statements without qualification.

Moved Cr. Walden seconded Cr. Longmire that the Council adopt:
13. ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that the Manager of Engineering Services Report be taken as read and noted.

13.1 MAJOR PRIVATE WORKS

13.1.1 Caltowie/Stone Hut Road
- Approximately 5km of road was sealed using a two coat 14/7mm seal.
- White lining to be completed.
- Earthworks are well underway for the approaches to the new ford which has to be built over Pine Creek. Costs for concrete work are being sought.

13.1.2 Jamestown/Booleroo Road
- Signage erected along the new primer sealed section.

13.1.3 Jones Street Drain
- Finalisation of documents to allow payment of land acquisition subsidy.

13.1.4 Jacka Creek
- The 4 gabion drop structures have been installed utilising Council staff and plant, working alongside specialist contractors.
- Lowering of the SA Water main has been undertaken at the Caltowie Road crossing.
- Final earthworks are now in progress
- Staff have commenced hauling rubble onto 600m of the walking trail as part of the landscaping project.
- On-site meeting held with Landscape Architect to discuss the landscaping requirements.

13.2 DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM
- Smarts Road – 2.7km of rubble previously hauled has now been spread and compacted.
- Forming up of Abbeville Road has commenced.

13.3 PROPOSED FORWARD WORK PLAN
- Water, grade and roll several sections of the Belalie East Road to Spalding, also sections of Hacklins Corner Road, plus the Broughton Valley Road to the Clare Quarry junction.
- Continuation of the earthworks on Jacka Creek from Ch200 to Ch600 south from Caltowie Road.
- Footpath paving in Herbert Street, Laura.
- Slashing work along the Spalding/Andrews bitumen road, also at the intersection of the Andrews West Road and Clare Road, plus the Spalding south parking bay and access roads.
- Complete Section 4 on Caltowie/Stone Hut Road.
- Build new ford at Stakers Creek
13.4 **DOZING**
- Hire dozer raising rubble in Booyoolie, Moore and Woolford Pits.
- Crusher working in Bottralls Pit.

13.5 **TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES**
As of December 1st, advertising requirements as stipulated in the Road Traffic Act 1961, have been relaxed, requiring only 1 abbreviated notice to be published in a local paper. While all other requirements must be met, including notification periods, traffic management plans and sign placement forms, this alone will save Council approximately $350.00 per closure in advertising costs.

13.6 **GENERAL MAINTENANCE – ROADS**
- Maintenance and pothole work has been completed on the following roads: Growdens School Bus Route, Mayfield Road, Boonderoo Road, Case Road and Belalie East Road.
- Grading of earth roads and fire tracks throughout the district as required.
- Patrol grading has been carried out on the following roads:

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13.7 **GENERAL MAINTENANCE – TOWNSHIPS**

**Laura**
- Annual greenwaste collection.
- Mowing as required.
- Tree trimming in North Laura Parklands before opening.

**Jamestown**
- Annual greenwaste collection.
- Slashing of the Council land opposite showgrounds on the Spalding Road.
• Roadside slashing in the area of the evaporation ponds, the race course area and the Spalding Road to the racecourse turn off.

Gladstone
• Annual greenwaste collection.
• Mowing as required.

Yacka
• Annual greenwaste collection.

Georgetown
• Annual greenwaste collection.

Spalding
• Annual greenwaste collection.

Caltowie
• Annual greenwaste collection.

Gulnare
• Annual greenwaste collection.

13.8 GENERAL MAINTENANCE
• Laura footpath brick paving upgrade

13.9 CEMETERIES
• Laura cemetery has had new area rubbed.

13.10 TREE REMOVAL PROGRAM
(1) J Simmons – Request to remove Kurrajong trees, Main North Road, Gladstone
Transport SA have verbally advised they do not believe the trees should be removed. GCD&TA also feel the trees should remain.

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Sparks that the request by J. Simmons for Kurrajong trees to be removed from the footpath adjacent to her property, be denied.

CARRIED 3184

13.11 JAMESTOWN AIRSTRIp
• A full slashing exercise completed on 05/12/02.

13.12 DRUMMUSTER PROGRAM
• Contractor has shredded and removed containers from Campaign 4.

13.13 CORRECTIONAL SERVICES TEAM
• Mowing and cleanup along Belalie Creek
• Tree trimming in Laura

13.14 WASTE MANAGEMENT
• Shredded tyres into landfill
• Two new holes excavated at Spalding dump
• All dumps have been pushed in and tidied during November.
• Area rubbed at Laura for new wet hole access.
13.15 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SAFETY & WELFARE

- **Staff Training** –
  * Council staff and plant are now allowed within 1.5m of rail crossings, without an ‘overseer’ (this was previously 3m). However staff are now required to undergo a 4 hour accreditation session to operate near or cross a rail line.
  * Plant assessments have been carried out to finalise Certificate 3 in Operational Works for field staff.
  * Regional Information Seminar (covering signage, contracting & roads, community lands and tree management) Presented by the LGA Mutual Liability Scheme – held in Melrose on Monday December 9\textsuperscript{th} 2002. Attended by M Lambert, D Cowin, R Crowley & B Coventry.
  * Fire Prevention Officers Seminar – attended by M Lambert on 12\textsuperscript{th} & 13\textsuperscript{th} September.

- **Consultative Meetings** – Weekly Works Management Meetings held with senior staff.

- **OHS&W Rep Inspections** –
  * All Council depots inspected on November 7\textsuperscript{th} 2002.

- **Plant Assessments** –
  * Assessments carried out on new Toyota Avalon, Toyota Avensis and Ford Falcon, and also on Ford Courier.

- **Other**
  * LGAMLRS Regional Risk Coordinator, Brian Shields, has conducted a legislative audit all offices and the Jamestown and Gladstone depots.

13.16 PLANT GENERAL

- Dozer at Cavpower having main frame repaired.

13.17 CONTRACTORS

- Sealing on Stone Hut/Caltowie Road.
- White lining on Caltowie/Stone Hut Road.

13.18 EMPLOYMENT/STAFF CHANGES

- Dave Hillam has tendered his resignation with Council.

13.19 STAFF LEAVE

13.20 OTHER

- Black Spot Funding is now available from the state Government, however there are no sites that meet the funding eligibility requirements.
- Heavy Vehicles using West Terrace, Gladstone as a short cut to the silos. Town streets are not built to cater for this type of traffic.

13.21 CORRESPONDENCE

(1) **LGA Roads and Transport News – Issue 2, December 2002**

Re: In July 2002 the Minister for Transport, Hon Michael Wright MP, announced that a 50km/h default speed limit in built-up areas will be introduced across SA, as part of the Government’s new road safety reforms.
Manager of Engineering Services’ Comment: Council staff are presently preparing reports and cost estimates for Transport SA to allow for Council staff to undertake changeover of the signs.

(2) LGA, Paula Victor, Policy Officer – Roads and Infrastructure

Resolved that copies of the Auslink Green Paper be provided to Council Members.

(3) Allan Cook – Peterborough
Re: Rural Road Naming Submission (I13033/375.11.4)

(4) Deane & Denese Simpson – Residents, Belalie North
Re: Rural Road Naming Submission (I/375.11.4)

(5) Max Prior – Resident, Jamestown
Re: Rural Road Naming Submission - suggestions for road names in the hundred of Belalie in the Belalie North area (I/375.11.4)

Moved Cr. Walden seconded Cr. Robinson that due to existing names, McLeod and Simpson roads not be accepted; That all other roads be passed on to the Jamestown Development Association for recommendation.

CARRIED 3185

(6) Gladstone Community Development and Tourism Association Inc – Sam Smith, President
Re: Advising that the community Christmas celebrations this year will be held at Treslyva Park on Tuesday 24th December from 6pm. There will be no need to shut off Gladstone Street, saving the cost of advertising and other public risk implications. (I13026/110.1.2)

Moved Cr. Walden seconded Cr. McPherson that thanks be passed onto the GCD&TA for their consideration, and that all community groups be encouraged to find alternative venues for events.

CARRIED 3186

(7) Jamestown A H & F Show – Viv Hector, Secretary
Re: “On behalf of the President and Committee members of the above society, thanking Council for assistance prior to and where appropriate on 2002 Jamestown Show, October 7th. (I13025/290.2.1)

(8) Transport SA – Dr Michael Mundy, Project Manager, High Productivity Freight Team
Re: Route Access Assessment for Restricted Access Vehicles
Manager of Engineering Services’ Comment: Council submitted the strategic freight route in May 2002, as yet no feedback has been received.

3.22 CALTOWIE AGENCIES

Moved Cr. Catford seconded Cr. Sparks that the Manager of Engineering Services investigate:
• the minutes of the District Council of Jamestown that proposed to seal the service road in front of Caltowie Agencies in Jamestown;
• the current tenure of land on which the service road is constructed,

and present a report to Council for consideration.  

CARRIED 3187

14. PROJECT OFFICERS – SIGNIFICANT NATIVE VEGETATION RESERVES

14.1 PAUL SLATTERY – PROJECT OFFICER
No Report

14.2 GLENDA KLEINIG – PROJECT OFFICER

Moved Cr. McPherson seconded Cr. Robinson that Glenda Kleinig’s Report be taken as read and noted.

CARRIED 3188

The Spiny Daisy has moved into its second stage of funding, which has enabled me to continue with the project.

The recovery plan is now completed and will soon be signed off on by the Federal Government. Monitoring at all sites has been completed for this year. Some finalisation of site herbaria is underway.

To enable implementation of the recovery plan, Animal and Pest Plant Control Boards have been approached in the respective areas to assist in weed control. Adjoining landowners have been kept informed of developments.

An educational translocation proposal for three sites (2 in the NAC area) has been prepared and circulated. I have liaised with The Australian Arid Land Botanic Garden over their request for the plant.

I have also been involved as a stakeholder representative at Natural Resource Management Plan Workshop and Information sessions. This is a document which outlines natural resource action priorities and once finalised will be the basis of ongoing Federal funding in the natural resource field in Northern Agricultural Districts, probably from March next year.

I continue to liaise with environmental workers in the species historical range and to provide Identification Kits for them, most recently in the Riverland.

The project is currently up to date and will shortly go into recess until February 2003.

Thankyou for your support in the primary stage of the project and looking forward to a continuing partnership.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all Councillors and staff at Northern Areas Council.
15. **COMMUNITY PROJECTS DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

*Moved Cr. Sparks seconded Cr. Clark that the Community Projects Development Manager’s Report be taken as read and noted. CARRIED 3189*

15.1 **Projects Completed**

Since November no additional funding applications have been determined:

A number of Active Club applications have been completed to meet the 13 December closing date.

**Summary of activities to date:**

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15.2 **Status of Significant On-going Projects**

15.2.1 **Youth Advisory Committee**

This project is effectively in recession with the break-up of school. However now that we have a core group of young people it will be possible to reactivate the program early next year and start to target specific project activities focussing on the needs of young people.

15.2.2 **Trainee**

In principle approval has been given to enable us to promote our proposed trainee position for 2003. An outline of the position has been forwarded to both the Jamestown Community School and Gladstone High School.

15.2.3 **Jamestown Skate Park**

Following a response from Rec & Sport we are now in a position to make contact with other Councils to seek feedback on how they have resolved issues surrounding development of skate board ramps.

15.2.4 **BRM ACC**

I have now been appointed to the BRM ACC Committee and attended their December meeting at Blanchetown. Of interest to Council is a proposal to ‘look at’ rationalising RAP and RS into a ‘super’ fund for regional development. An option here might be getting local government to comment on applications before they are submitted to ACC for consideration.

15.2.5 **Visit by Minister Tuckey**

Minister Tuckey visited Laura and Jamestown on 6th December to officiate at ceremonies for projects funded through RAP and RS.
15.3 **Meetings attended** (during current period)
- Applia Toilet opening
- St Flinders Tourism Authority
- Orroroo community groups
- Health Promotion C/tee meeting
- Hydro Pool C/tee meeting
- BRM ACC Annual General Meeting
- Jamestown Hospital Board
- Racing Club’s zone meeting
- BRM ACC Dec meeting

16. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT**

Moved Cr. Clark seconded Cr. Longmire that the Chief Executive Officer’s Report be taken as read and noted.

CARRIED 3190

16.1 **COST SHIFTING ON TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

With the recent visit by Minister Wilson Tuckey, I refer to his meeting with Council concerning the focus of the review, and the fact that submissions to date have not taken a more lateral opportunistic view of the Review.

Moved Cr. Walden seconded Cr. Clark that the Chief Executive Officer write a further submission to the House of Representatives Inquiry into Local Government and Cost Shifting, detailing opportunities for areas local government could become involved in, ensuring that Commonwealth funds are directed to service provision in our area or region.

CARRIED 3191

16.2 **SAMAG DEVELOPMENT**

I have contacted Ric Horn, SAMAG, who is willing to meet with Council in January at a time to be confirmed.

16.3 **INTERMODAL HUBS – GLADSTONE**

I have written to Mr Ian Lovell, Coordinator of Logistics and Marine Policy, Transport SA whose Department are investigating Intermodal Freight Hubs throughout South Australia. It is possible that a major study will take place next year, to examine existing patterns of freight transport and potential transport options as a result of Rail to Asia. The letter has sought that Gladstone and Jamestown be investigated as part of the study to ensure that no opportunity is missed for the Northern Areas Council Communities.

Moved Cr. McPherson seconded Cr. Walden that representatives be invited to meet with Council regarding inclusion of Gladstone and Jamestown in the study of Intermodal Freight Hubs throughout South Australia.

CARRIED 3192

16.4 **SPALDING HOUSE**

The contract for sale of the Council owned house in Spalding fell through due to lack of finance.

16.5 **MID NORTH REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD – STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE FOR POSITIONING OF THE JAMESTOWN SALEYARDS AS A STRATEGIC REGIONAL SITE.**

A meeting has been planned for Thursday December 12th, with representatives of the MNRDB, Council, Elders and Wesfarmers to investigate
potential for a scoping study to look at benefits of an upgraded facility at Jamestown.

16.6 **FLINDERS MOBILE LIBRARY – PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING TO SEEK REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING TRUCK AND MOBILE LIBRARY**
I refer to a letter in correspondence for decision seeking support towards replacement of the truck.

Moved Cr. Sparks seconded Cr. Robinson that Northern Areas Council support the concept of a joint meeting of member Councils of the Flinders Mobile Library with the members of the Mobile Library Board to explore truck options further and that Cr. Longmire and Cr. Clark attend.

CARRIED 3193

16.7 **RURAL TRANSACTION CENTRES PROGRAM**
A meeting between Peter Emery, CLGR, Peter Moore, D/C Mt Remarkable and myself took place recently, to once again consider the Rural Transaction Centre funding that is being held by both Councils. It was agreed that Bill Furse undertake a comprehensive survey of the communities to ascertain their “actual” and “perceived” transaction needs.

16.8 **AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST AND CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY**
It is anticipated that the Jamestown Swimming Pool Committee will agree to conduct the Breakfast on the Banks of the Belalie Creek on Sunday 26th January 2003

It is proposed to present the Awards in the following order:
- Community Event of the Year Award
- Young Citizen of the Year Award
- Citizen of the Year Award.

16.9 **PROPOSED NRM BOARDS**
I believe that the issue of the Spray Unit of the Northern Animal and Plant Control Board needs to be discussed by Council delegates to the Board. As I understand the spray unit was a stand alone unit funded by the member Councils to ensure that adequate access for landholders and Councils wanting to have weed control undertaken.

Moved Cr. Walden seconded Cr. Sparks that a letter be written to the Northern Animal and Plant Control Board asking for its view on the future of the Board’s Spray Unit within the Natural Resource Management region.

CARRIED 3194

16.10 **STRATEGIC PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE SENT TO ALL HOUSEHOLDS**
The Questionnaire has been forwarded out with the latest Council newsletter. A return rate of 10-15% would be excellent and assist with framing of the draft strategic plan by the end of February 2003.

16.11 **TSA UTILITIES**
I was advised by Bob Gore, ETSA Utilities on 9th December 2002, that Stage 4 of the Public Lighting Upgrade works in Jamestown is programmed for construction in January 2003. Stage 4 is the North Parade area (north of the Railway Hotel, Jamestown).
16.12 ANNUAL REPORT
The Local Government Act 1999, (Section 131) requires Council to produce an Annual Report. Annual Report for the 2001/2002 financial year was provided to Members.

16.13 ASE OF CFS AND SES BUILDINGS TO THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES
Leases have been drawn up for Georgetown, Laura, Yacka and Caltowie Emergency Services properties and require signatures and sealing.

Moved Cr. Longmire seconded Cr. Robinson that the Council Seal be affixed and the lease documents signed for a term of 21 years to the Minister for Emergency Services in relation to the following properties:

- 28 and 32 Fisher Street, Georgetown (C/T's 2221/171, 690/2 and 171/56).
- Lot 91 and portion of lot 92 Herbert Street, Laura (C/T's 5555/243 and 5555/244)
- Lot 76 Charles Street, Yacka (C/T 4188/445)
- Portion of lot 401 Browne Street, Caltowie (C/T 2156/34)

CARRIED 3195

16.14 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE REPORT – TRAINING
Ben Coventry, Gabby Swearse – In house training with Narelle Schmidt – Instructions for processing Development Applications that are classified as Category 3, 13/11/02.
Alan Thomson, Gabby Swearse – Department of Human Services, Environmental Health Branch – Update on new Food Safety Regulations – Jamestown 3/12/02, 2 hours.
Roger Crowley, David Cowin, Michael Lambert, Ben Coventry – Local Government Association Mutual Liability Scheme – Regional Information Seminar, (Discussion on road signage, contracting and roads, community lands and tree management), Melrose, 9/12/02, 5 hours.
Ben Coventry – In house training with Bob Hart, Development Assessment Panel and Community Lands, 11/12/02, 1 day.
Roger Crowley and Bernadette McCarthy – Local Government Association – Voters Roll Obligations and Opportunities, 11/12/02, 5 hours.

16.15 TERMS OF REFERENCE - JAMESTOWN REGIONAL HYDROTHERAPY POOL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Jamestown Regional Hydrotherapy Pool Management Committee has submitted a constitution for approval by Council.

Moved Cr. Sparks seconded Cr. Clark that the Jamestown Regional Hydrotherapy Pool Management Committee be established as a Committee in accordance with Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1999 and that the Terms Of Reference be as follows:
TERMS OF REFERENCE

JAMESTOWN REGIONAL HYDROTHERAPY POOL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1 The organisation shall be called the Jamestown Regional Hydrotherapy Pool Management Committee. Any reference to the “Committee” or “Hydrotherapy Pool Committee” in this Constitution shall mean the Jamestown Regional Hydrotherapy Pool Management Committee. Any reference to “Council” in this Constitution shall mean the Northern Areas Council. Any reference to “Complex” in this Constitution shall mean the Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool Complex.

2 The Committee shall operate as a Section 41 Committee of the Northern Areas Council.

3 The objects of the Committee shall be (but not limited to):
   • the effective management of the Jamestown Regional Hydrotherapy Pool Complex including the associated gymnasium,
   • the pursuit of best practice models and outcomes to reflect the level of excellence being provided to the customer base,
   • the promotion of the Jamestown Regional Hydrotherapy Pool Complex within the region to maximize its use by the regional customer base,
   • pursuing innovative regional funding opportunities and programs with a view to providing an enhanced service to the clients of the Complex,

4 Membership of the Committee shall be limited to a maximum of 12 people and at the discretion of the Northern Areas Council. Notwithstanding that the Council (in addition to its own representatives) shall endeavor to include representation on the Committee from the following community interests,
   (a) Health profession (including the Jamestown Hospital)
   (b) Aged Care
   (c) Physiotherapy
   (d) Veterans Affairs or RSL
   (e) Neighbouring towns (eg Peterborough and/or Orroroo)
   (f) Sporting clubs
   (g) Community representation

5 The affairs of the Committee shall be coordinated by an Executive made up of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary & Treasurer

6 Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with procedures under which Council operates.

7 The Committee to have power to co-opt services of (other) people as deemed necessary, such co-opted people to have full voting powers in Committee meetings. The Committee shall have the power to nominate a person to fill a casual vacancy. The
Committee may (subject to approval from Council) form sub-committees.

8 Membership on the Committee shall be for a 2 year period with one half of members retiring at each subsequent Annual Meeting. The first Committee shall hold office until the first Annual Meeting. At this time one half of the members of the Committee, who shall be chosen by lot, shall retire from the Committee. Thereafter one half of the members of the Committee, being the longest serving members shall retire. Committee representatives shall have the right to re-nominate for a further term.

9 The Committee may open such bank accounts as deemed necessary from time to time. The Committee has the management and control of the funds and other property of the Committee. Financial reports of the Committee shall be in such form as required by Council. Annual financial reports of the Committee shall be audited by Council.

10 The Committee shall authorize up to four (4) Committee members (including at least the Treasurer and one other Executive member) to be signatories of bank account(s), provided that a minimum of two (2) signatures be required to sign for the withdrawal of funds.

11 The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and (a) Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

12 The Annual Meeting shall be held within 60 days of the subsequent 30 June of each year.

13 The Chairperson shall be required to present an Annual Report at the Annual Meeting.

14 On the written request of not less than five (5) members the Secretary shall (within 14 days) call a special General Meeting of the Committee. The object(s) of such meeting to be set out in written form to all members.

15 The Chairperson may call a meeting of the Committee as required.

16 The Committee shall conduct and manage the affairs of the Complex and (subject to approval from Council) be entitled to delegate any of its powers to a sub-committee.)

17 Committee meetings to be held when required with a minimum of five (5) members to be present to form a quorum. Five days notice to be given before each meeting.

18 The Committee shall have the power to set, determine and/or amend any policy, procedure or by-law deemed necessary for the general operation of the Committee.
19 This Constitution may be amended only at an Annual Meeting or a special meeting called in accordance with Section 14. Notice of any proposed amendment shall be given in writing to the Secretary seven (7) day prior to the Annual meeting or the special meeting at which it is proposed to amend the constitution. The proposed amendment shall be advertised with the notice of the Annual Meeting or special meeting.

CARRIED 3196

16.16 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 2003
The State Electoral Office will be conducting the Council election next year as done in the 2000. A few Council staff will be appointed electoral officers for receiving and checking nominations, processing requests for re-issuing of voting materials, queries etc. A formal resolution is required by Council.

Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that the State Electoral Office conduct and manage the entire election process for Council at the May 2003 elections.

CARRIED 3197

16.17 CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR
I would remind Members that the Administration Offices will be closed from 12 noon on Tuesday 24th December, 2002 and reopen at 9am on Thursday 2nd January, 2003.

On behalf of staff I wish to convey to the Chairman, Councillors and partners all the best for Christmas and the New Year and we look forward to a successful year in 2003.

17. CORRESPONDENCE

17.1 CORRESPONDENCE FOR DECISION

(1) The National Trust of South Australia, Mrs J A Humphris - Secretary
Re: Jamestown Archives or Local History Collection (220.1.3/I2911)

Moved Cr. Catford seconded Cr. Walden that the Chief Executive Officer and the Community Projects Development Manager meet with the Jamestown History Group regarding housing of the Jamestown & District Archive Collection and options for the former Jamestown Primary School building.

CARRIED 3198

(2) Spalding Community Management Committee, Rosie Gore - Secretary
Re: Ablution Block (110.2.2/I12917)

Moved Cr. Longmire seconded Cr. Clark that the Spalding Community Management Committee be advised that Council supports their decision to sell the ablution block.

CARRIED 3199

(3) The Yacka Historical Group, Dennis Dale - Chairman
Re: Section 41 Committee of Council (110.2.4/I12947)
Moved Cr. Longmire seconded Cr. Clark that Council supports in principle the establishment of a Section 41 Committee for the Yacka Historical Group and they be requested to draft terms in reference with Mr. R Crowley and Mr. K Hope.

CARRIED 3200

(4) **Local Government Association of South Australia, Brian Clancy – Executive Director**
Re: Circular 48.5 – PLEC – Call for Council under grounding electricity infrastructure proposals (335.1.1/I12988)

(5) **Local Government Association of South Australia, John Comrie – Executive Director**
Re: Comparative Performance Measurement (210.4.1/I12994)

(6) **Flinders Mobile Library, Cherie Weston – Secretary**
Re: Flinders Mobile Library are investigating the purchase of a new Library Truck. (255.1.1/I13022)

(7) **Flinders Mobile Library, Louise Simpson – Library Manager**
Re: Discussions about the proposal for a replacement Mobile Library (255.1.1/I13073)

(8) **Spalding Pistol Club Inc., Jeffrey Cadzow**
Re: Notice of intention to vacate the premise of Spalding Masonic Hall (245.2.1/I13037)

(a) Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that agreement to lease the former Spalding Masonic Hall by the Spalding Pistol Club be terminated as requested.

CARRIED 3201

(b) Moved Cr. Robinson seconded Cr. Clark that a letter be written to the Spalding Historical and Archive Group regarding the availability of the former Spalding Masonic Hall from 1 January 2003 and that the Chairman of SHAG be asked to contact Alan Thomson regarding repairs required to the hall.

CARRIED 3202

17.2 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

(1) **Local Government Association of South Australia**
Re: Report Nos. 46, 47, 48, 49 (210.4.3)

(2) **Helda Marsh - Resident**
Re: Expressing gratitude towards Council for Passenger Transport service (442.1.5/I12871)

(3) **Wirrabara Precision Engineering, Mick Kulow**
Re: Maintenance of Jamestown Airstrip (235.2.3/I12960)

(4) **Appila Improvement Association, Peter Frewell – Hon Secretary**
Re: At a meeting of the Appila Improvement Association (inc) on 28th October 2002 it was resolved that on receipt of the final payment of $5350 for the toilet at Appila Springs, from the S.A Tourist Commission that our formal involvement with the Northern Areas Council would cease. (300.3.3/I12984)

Moved Cr. Clark seconded Cr. Sparks that the Appila Springs Improvement Group be abolished as a Committee, previously established pursuant to Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1999.

CARRIED 3203

(5) Rocky River Historic & Art Society Inc., Rhonda Pech - Secretary
Re: Sincere thanks for the reimbursement of the Pest Control Account. (120.1.1/I13060)

(6) The Hon Michael Wright BED MP, Michael Wright – Minister for Transport
Re: Planned implementation in South Australia of a 50 km/h default speed limit in built-up areas early in 2003 (375.11.7/I13072)

18. COUNCIL DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr. McPherson:
- Gladstone Hall Committee meeting
- Rocky River Volunteers meeting
- Northern Areas Community Road Safety Committee
- Gladstone High School presentation meeting
- Laura Parklands and Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool official opening by Hon. Wilson Tuckey

Cr. Walden:
- Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool official opening by Hon. Wilson Tuckey
- Gladstone High School Council meeting
- Laura Hospital meeting
- Flinders Mobile Library meeting
- Port Pirie Regional Development Board meeting

Cr. Catford:
- Laura Parklands and Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool official opening by Hon. Wilson Tuckey

Cr. Longmire:
- Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool official opening by Hon. Wilson Tuckey
- Spalding Community Management Committee meeting
- Spalding Oval Facilities meeting

Cr. Sparks:
- Laura Parklands and Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool official opening by Hon. Wilson Tuckey
- Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool meetings

Cr. Clark:
- Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool official opening by Hon. Wilson Tuckey
- Northern Animal & Plant Control Board meeting
Cr. Robinson:
- Jamestown Hydrotherapy Pool official opening by Hon. Wilson Tuckey
- Northern Animal & Plant Control Board meeting

19. **NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL**
Council’s Next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Tuesday January 21st 2003, commencing at 5.00pm.

20. **MEETING CLOSURE**
The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10:48 pm

Confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 21 January 2003.

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Chairman