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Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council held at the Allen Centre Meeting Room
Grey Street, Kalbarri on the 21st January 2011

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1.1 OPENING

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

1.2 PRESENT

Cr G Wilson	President	Northampton Ward
Cr L Parker	Deputy President	Kalbarri Ward
Cr O Simkin		Northampton Ward
Cr G Leggett		Northampton Ward
Cr S Penn		Kalbarri Ward
Cr J Booth		Kalbarri Ward
Cr P Gliddon		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keeffe	Chief Executive Officer	

1.2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

1.2.2 APOLOGIES

Cr B Cripps, Cr T Carson and Cr S Stock-Standen

1.3 QUESTION TIME

There was one member of the public present however no questions were put to Council

1.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1.4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 17th DECEMBER 2010.

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 17th December 2010 be confirmed as a true and correct record subject to the following amendments:

- Minute 12.9.1 – delete the words “totalling \$10,126.62; and
- Minute 12.16 – amend the venue from Northampton to the Allen Centre, Kalbarri.

CARRIED 7/0

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1.4.2 REVOKE MINUTE 12.10.8 – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 17th
DECEMBER 2010.

CEO confirmed the email forwarded to all Councillors in regards to the \$30,000 Regional & Local Community Infrastructure Grant was only one grant and not two as initially thought and therefore the proposal to utilise the funds for Guide Park Playground cannot occur and therefore the motion needs to be revoked.

Council by a show of hands indicated a majority in favour of revoking the motion.

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That minute 12.10.8 of the 17th December 2010 Council meeting be revoked.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

1.4.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

1.5 RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

Nil.

1.6 WORKS REPORT

1.6.1 MAINTENANCE WORKS/PROGRAMMED WORKS (ITEM 6.1.1)

Noted.

1.7 HEALTH & BUILDING REPORT

1.7.1 INFORMATION ITEMS – HEALTH AND BUILDING (ITEM 6.2.1)

Noted.

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1.8 TOWN PLANNING REPORT

1.8.1 PROPOSED THIRD DWELLING (NEW TRANSPORTABLE) ON FARM LOT – LOT 5042 (NO. 3118) BALLA-WHELARRA ROAD, BINNU (ITEM 6.3.1)

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr PENN

That Council grant planning approval for a new transportable to be used as farm worker's accommodation, Lot 5042 (No. 3118) Balla-Whelarra Road, Binnu subject to the following conditions:

1. Development shall be in accordance with the attached approved plan(s) dated 21 January, 2011 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. The existing farm worker's accommodation located on Location 18154 being demolished within 90days of completion of the new transportable building;
3. All building works are to be completed to the satisfaction of the local government within 12 months from the date of issue of a building licence;
4. A building licence shall be issued by the local government prior to the commencement of any work on the site;
5. The space between the ground level and the floor level of the new transportable dwelling shall be suitably enclosed to the approval of the local government;
6. All stormwater is to be disposed of on-site to the specifications and approval of the local government; and
7. Vehicle access and designated car parking areas shall be constructed and drained to a compacted gravel standard, and thereafter maintained to the approval of the local government.
8. That the accommodation can only be used for seasonal workers and not for permanent habitation

CARRIED 7/0

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1.8.2	PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO. 9 – KALBARRI – REZONING FROM “SPECIAL USE SITE 3” TO “RESIDENTIAL R50” – LOT 22 (NO. 28) GREY STREET, KALBARRI (ITEM 6.3.2)
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Moved Cr PARKER, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That Council:

1. Refuse the request to initiate a Scheme Amendment to *Town Planning Scheme No. 9 – Kalbarri*, to rezone Lot 22 Grey Street, Kalbarri from “Special Use Site 3” to “Residential R50” for the following reasons:
 - a. The newly adopted *Kalbarri Townsite Strategy*, recommends that Lot 22 be rezoned to “Mixed Residential R50/R60 with an “Additional Use – Tourist Commercial” also applicable; and
 - b. Now that the *Kalbarri Townsite Strategy* has been formally endorsed an Omnibus Amendment is set to occur to *Town Planning Scheme No. 9 – Kalbarri* which will update the Scheme in line with the recommendations made by the Strategy.
To “spot rezone” ahead of this process is considered to be ad-hoc and against the principles of orderly and proper planning.
2. Resolve not to initiate any further Scheme Amendments to *Town Planning Schemes No. 9 – Kalbarri*, given that an Omnibus Amendment is now set to occur to the Scheme in order to bring it in line with the recommendations made by the *Kalbarri Townsite Strategy*;
3. Advise the proponent of the option to prepare a submission to Council on the Omnibus Amendment to *Town Planning Scheme No. 9 – Kalbarri*.

CARRIED 7/0

1.8.3	SUMMARY OF PLANNING INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.3.3)
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Noted.

1.9	FINANCE REPORT
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1.9.1	ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (ITEM 6.4.1)
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Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Municipal Fund Cheques 18644 to 18690 inclusive, totalling \$118,167.17; Municipal EFT payments numbered EFT8408 to EFT8488 inclusive totalling \$503,769.15, Trust Cheques 1799 to 1803 totalling \$1,120.00, be passed for payment and the items therein be declared authorised expenditure.

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1.9.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ITEM 6.4.2)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr PENN

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

CARRIED 7/0

1.10 ADMINISTRATION & CORPORATE REPORT

Cr G Leggett declared a financial interest in Item 6.5.1 as he owns neighbouring property to the development and therefore may incur a financial gain or loss from the decision of Council and left the meeting room at 1.21pm.

1.10.1 TENDER 8/2011 – OLD SCHOOL OVAL SUBDIVISION (ITEM 6.5.1)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr PENN

That Council accepts the tender from Northcoast Contracting Pty Ltd of \$308,359.50 GST exclusive for the installation of electrical, water and telecommunication services for the residential subdivision on Lot 21 Robinson Street, Northampton.

CARRIED 7/0

Cr Leggett returned to the meeting at 1.22pm.

1.10.2 SALE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT (ITEM 6.5.2)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr LEGGETT

That Council accepts the offers from:

1. Alan Turner for the purchase of the Ford Tractor for the sum of \$10,500.
2. Nolan Harris for the purchase of the Flat Top Pig Trailer for the sum of \$7,700.
3. Murray Criddle for the purchase of the 6,800 litre Water Tank for the sum of \$2,300.

CARRIED 7/0

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1.10.3 COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN 2010 (ITEM 6.5.3)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council formally adopts the Statutory Compliance Return for 2010.

CARRIED 7/0

1.10.4 KALBARRI OVAL SECURITY (ITEM 6.5.4)

The CEO tabled a quote received for the installation of security cameras of \$15,600.

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr LEGGETT

That quotes from other suppliers be obtained and these be presented at the February 2011 meeting of Council for determination.

CARRIED 7/0

1.10.5 RESIDENCE FOR DOCTOR (ITEM 6.5.5)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr PARKER

1. That Council advise the Mid West Aero Medical Service that no further consideration for free rental of Council owned residence in Bateman Street will be considered until the existing outstanding debt on housing rent and surgery lease plus utilities is paid in full.
2. When the outstanding debt is paid in full then consideration may given to a subsidised rent at a later date.

CARRIED 7/0

Discussion took place on the current doctor's situation in Northampton. CEO and President reported that Northampton is still without a full time doctor and the services currently being provided is unsuitable and not in the best interests of the community and the community itself is very dissatisfied.

President and CEO also reported on the difficulties of the approval processes for provider numbers and relevant approvals for doctors to practice in Australia.

Moved Cr SIMKIN seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council correspond to Hon Barry Haase and the Federal Government Minister for Health on the bureaucratic process to provide provider numbers and other relevant approvals to doctors to allow them to operate in Australia.

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1.10.6 CARNARVON/GASCOYNE & QUEENSLAND FLOOD APPEALS (ITEM 6.5.6)

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That Council makes a financial contribution of \$5,000 to the Perth Lord Mayors Disaster Relief Fund for the Carnarvon and Gascoyne flood relief appeal.

CARRIED 7/0 BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

The CEO also advised Council that he had been contact by Mr Ian Kelly of Kalbarri suggesting that Council instigate/pursue the possibility of transferring residents from Queensland to Kalbarri or shire whilst the re-building process is occurring. Proposal would be for the government to fly those willing to relocate and for residents to house the flood victims free of charge.

Moved Cr PENN seconded Cr PARKER

That as this option/alternative has not been called upon by the relevant state and federal governments that Council not be involved and is up to any individual to assist in any which way they can.

CARRIED 7/0

1.10.7 REGIONAL BICYCLE NETWORK GRANTS PROGRAM (ITEM 6.5.7)

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr BOOTH

That Council submit a funding application for the commencement of the replacement of the Stephen Street dual use pathway through the Regional Bicycle Local Government Grants Program and list for consideration a provision of \$50,000 within the 2011/2012 Budget for these works.

CARRIED 7/0

1.10.8 PROMOTIONAL VIDEO – NORTHAMPTON & KALBARRI (ITEM 6.5.8)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr PENN

That Council undertake to have a promotional video produced to cover the whole shire and include the towns of Northampton, Kalbarri, Horrocks and Prot Gregory to a maximum cost of \$2,000 and this be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

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1.10.9 FIRE WORKS DONATION (ITEM 6.5.9)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council not make a donation to the Kalbarri Sport and Recreation Club for Australia Day fire works display and they be advised to submit such requests for consideration within the Council's annual budget process.

CARRIED 7/0

1.10.10 REMOVAL OF KALBARRI OVAL FENCE PANELS (ITEM 6.5.10)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr PARKER

1. That Council not approve the removal of the Kalbarri oval fence paneling as such removal will have an unacceptable aesthetic effect on the redevelopment of the oval and the continuing removal of panels subjects them to damage.
2. That The Kalbarri Cricket Club be requested to contact the Community Development Officer to seek grant funding for the relocation of the cricket practice nets. If funding is not available then Council list for consideration within the 2011/2012 budget a provision for the cricket nets relocation.

CARRIED 7/0

1.11 PRESIDENTS REPORT

No report.

1.12 DEPUTY PRESIDENTS REPORT

Since the last Council meeting the Deputy President, Cr Parker reported on his attendance to a Local Emergency Area Management meeting held on 25 December 2010 in relation to the flooding of the Murchison River.

1.13 COUNCILLORS REPORT

1.13.1 Cr BOOTH

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

- Kalbarri Development Association meeting.
- Progress on the public meeting in regards to future recreational developments on the Kalbarri foreshore.

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1.13.2 Cr SIMKIN

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

- Attendance to a Northampton Community Centre Meeting. The group has cleared all their belongings from the premises in readiness for the re-development of the Centre. The NCC will be operating from the downstairs area whilst the re-development occurs.

1.14 INFORMATION BULLETIN

Noted.

1.15 NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1.15.1 SKYWEST

CEO provided Council with an update on the future of Skywest operating to the Kalbarri Aerodrome. At this stage the Council has received no official advice and it is very disappointing that the state government has made a decision and publicised that decision without any advice to the Council.

The CEO also advised that no confirmed advice of who the new operators to provide a service to Kalbarri has been received.

1.16 NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at the Northampton Council Chambers, Hampton Road, Northampton, on Friday the 18 February 2011.

1.17 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting closed at 2.28pm.