

**SHIRE OF NORTHAMPTON**

**Minutes of Special Meeting of Council held at the Northampton Council  
Chambers, Hampton Road, Northampton on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2008 to discuss the  
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**1 OPENING**

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

**2 PRESENT**

Cr G Parker	President	Northampton Ward
Cr G Wilson	Deputy President	Northampton Ward
Cr O Simkin		Northampton Ward
Cr E Simkin		Northampton Ward
Cr S Stock-Standen		Northampton Ward
Cr P Gliddon		Kalbarri Ward
Cr L Parker		Kalbarri Ward
Cr A Link		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keeffe	Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Anthony Gollan	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Neil Broadhurst	Manager of Works and Technical Services	
Mr Rod Bayliss	Principal Environmental Health Officer and Building Surveyor	
Mrs Hayley Williams	Principal Planner	

**2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**2.2 APOLOGIES**

Cr R Allen	Kalbarri Ward
Cr V Maskrey	Northampton Ward

**3 QUESTION TIME**

Members of the public were present, however no questions were forthcoming.

**4 DISCUSSION OF 2008/2009 DRAFT MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

**4.1 REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICES**

Mr Kevin Green and Mr Ian Johnston representing Veolia Environmental Services addressed Council on its current and future services provided to the Shire of Northampton and in particular bulk bin pickups.

Mr Green and Mr Johnston left the meeting at 1.30pm.

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4.2	GRANTS – 2008/2009 ALLOCATIONS (ITEM 4.1.1)	NOTIONAL	GRANT
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Noted

4.3	WAGES INCREASE REQUEST – OUTSIDE WORKS STAFF (ITEM 4.1.2)
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Moved Cr L Parker, seconded Cr Link

That in the interim of an Enterprise Bargaining Agreement or Work Place Agreement being negotiated between Council and the outside work force, Council incorporates a 4% wage increase into the Draft 2008/2009 Budget at a cost of \$44,000.

CARRIED 5/3

Mr Rod Bayliss, Principal Environmental Health Officer and Building Surveyor left the meeting at 2.31pm.

Mr Rod Bayliss, Principal Environmental Health Officer and Building Surveyor entered the meeting at 2.35pm.

Council continued to review the Draft 2008/2009 Budget document.

Council by a show of hands indicated that a majority were in favour of rescinding Minute 4.3 of the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2008 Special Council Minutes in regards to a wage increase for the outside works staff.

Moved Cr L Parker, seconded Cr Stock-Standen

That Council rescind Minute 4.3 of the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2008 Special Council Minutes, which reads;

*“That in the interim of an Enterprise Bargaining Agreement or Work Place Agreement being negotiated between Council and the outside work force, Council incorporates a 4% wage increase into the Draft 2008/2009 Budget at a cost of \$44,000.”*

CARRIED 8/0

Moved Cr L Parker, seconded Cr S Stock-Standen

That in the interim of an Enterprise Bargaining Agreement or Work Place Agreement being negotiated between Council and the outside work force, Council incorporates a 2% wage increase into the Draft 2008/2009 Budget at a cost of \$22,000.

CARRIED 8/0

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**5 NEW ITEMS WITHIN THE BUDGET**

**5.1 ROMAN ROAD CAPTURE (ITEM 4.2.1)**

Noted

**5.2 REFUSE FEES (ITEM 4.2.2)**

Noted

**5.3 EXTENDED LIST (ITEM 4.2.3)**

Council reviewed the extended list of new items presented in the 2008/2009 Budget Meeting Agenda.

**6 ITEMS SUBMITTED LATE**

**6.1 HORROCKS TOWNSITE STRATEGY (ITEM 4.3.1)**

As part of the extended list review Council noted this item.

**AFTERNOON TEA ADJOURNMENT**

Council adjourned for afternoon tea 2.55pm and reconvened at 3.06pm with the following in attendance:

Cr G Parker, Cr O Simkin, Cr E Simkin, Cr L Parker, Cr Gliddon, Cr Stock-Standen, Cr Link, Chief Executive Officer Mr Garry Keeffe, Manager of Works and Technical Services Mr Neil Broadhurst, Principal Environmental Health Officer and Building Surveyor Mr Rod Bayliss, Principal Planner Mrs Hayley Williams and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer Mr Anthony Gollan.

**6.2 REFUSE FEES (ITEM 4.3.2)**

**6.2.1 MEDICAL WASTE**

Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr L Parker

That, as of 1 July 2008, the Health Department of Western Australia be required to meet the total cost of the collection and disposal of Medical Wastes from its premises located in the Shire of Northampton and negotiate directly with Veolia Environmental Services and Stericorp in this regard.

**CARRIED 7/0**

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<b>6.2.2</b>	<b>COLLECTION OF REFUSE – ISSEKA, BINNU, AJANA</b>
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Moved Cr Stock-Standen, seconded Cr Link

1. That the townsites of Isseka, Binnu, Ajana and other requested services be included in Councils Refuse Collection Service with all affected properties being levied at a rate equal to that charged for the townsite of Northampton.
2. That the EHO/Building Surveyor write to the owners or occupiers of the affected properties detailing the requirements, including the purchase of their own 240 litre mobile garbage bin and the date upon which the service is to commence.
3. That the EHO/Building Surveyor advertises Councils decision in a newspaper having a circulation in the District.
4. That the EHO/Building Surveyor write to the owners of all properties which are currently fronting onto roads transverse by the Refuse Collection Contractor enquiring as to whether they would like to have their household refuse collected and in the instance where they wish to take up the service arrange for them to be rated accordingly.

CARRIED 7/0

<b>6.2.3</b>	<b>BULK BINS – FEES</b>
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Moved Cr O Simkin, seconded Cr E Simkin

1. In order to ensure the continuation of a Bulk-bin and cardboard collection service in Kalbarri, that Council adopt a differential rubbish rate for the collection of 240 litre mobile green bins from the Commercial sector in Kalbarri of \$230 per bin per collection per annum excluding caravan parks as they are deemed rateable as per a residential pickup.
2. That the following charges be levied by Council for a Weekly Bulk Bin Service:

1.5m <sup>3</sup>	\$1,396.20
3.0m <sup>3</sup>	\$2,792.40
4.5m <sup>3</sup>	\$4,188.60

CARRIED 7/0

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7	SETTING OF RATE IN THE DOLLAR (ITEM 4.4)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That the Draft Municipal Fund Budget for 2008/2009 be adopted as a balanced budget and the following charges be levied:

*General Rates*

The rate in the dollar for all rateable Gross Rental Value properties be set at \$0.072655 and the rate in the dollar for all rateable Unimproved Value properties be set at \$0.009434.

*Minimum Rates*

That the minimum rate on rateable Gross Rental Value and Unimproved Value properties be set at \$400.00 per assessment.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

8	SPECIFIED AREA RATES – SETTING OF RATE IN THE DOLLAR AND STATING OF THE PURPOSE OF THE SPECIFIED RATE (ITEM 4.5)
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Moved Cr Stock-Standen, seconded Cr L Parker

1. That the specified area rate in the dollar, for all rateable Kalbarri Gross Rental Value properties zoned Residential, Residential Development, Places of Public Assembly, Special Site, Special Rural, Commercial, Tourist Accommodation, Service Industry, Light Industry, Composite Light Industry, within the Kalbarri Town Planning Scheme No. 9 be set at \$0.002047, to raise approximately \$23,000, being for the below projects;

- Town Entrance Statements Upgrade – Kalbarri Visitors Centre \$3000
- River Road Environmental Projects – Kalbarri Visitors Centre \$5,000
- Canoe & Cray Carnival – Kalbarri Visitors Centre \$5,000
- Contribution Youth Facilities – Kalbarri PCYC \$10,000

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2. That the specified area rate in the dollar, for all rateable Port Gregory Gross Rental Value properties within the Port Gregory Townsite be set at \$0.042637 to raise approximately \$13,970 to fund the operating cost of maintaining the Port Gregory Water Supply.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

9	DUE DATE FOR PAYMENT OF RATES, INCLUDING INSTALMENT OPTION (ITEM 4.6)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That the due date for the payment of rates be 3rd October 2008 and the remaining due dates for rate instalment payments be 5th December 2008, 6th February 2009 and 10<sup>th</sup> April 2009.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

10	DISCOUNT APPLICABLE TO GENERAL RATES AND DATE BY WHICH PAYMENT IS REQUIRED TO CLAIM DISCOUNT (ITEM 4.7)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That a discount of 6% be allowed on general rates, applicable to all rate assessments that are paid by 4.30pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2008.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

11	INSTALMENT CHARGE OPTION (ITEM 4.8)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That an administration fee of \$5.00 per rate instalment payment be charged to all ratepayers who choose to pay by instalments.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

12	SETTING OF INSTALMENT INTEREST CHARGE APPLICABLE TO INSTALMENT OPTION (ITEM 4.9)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That an instalment interest rate of 5% per annum be charged on all rate assessments that are paid by instalments.

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13	SETTING OF PENALTY INTEREST APPLICABLE IF DEFAULT IS MADE ON INSTALMENT OPTION (ITEM 4.10)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That a penalty interest rate of 10% per annum be applicable to the outstanding rates amount if a ratepayer defaults on the payment of a rates instalment.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

14	SETTING OF LATE PAYMENT PENALTY INTEREST APPLICABLE TO ALL OVERDUE RATES (ITEM 4.11)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That a late payment penalty of 10% per annum be charged on all rates outstanding after 3rd October 2008, where no instalment option was taken.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

15	CONSIDERATION OF TRUST AND RESERVE FUND 2007/2008 DRAFT BUDGETS (ITEM 6)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That the Draft Reserve Budget and Trust Fund Budget as presented in the 2008/2009 Draft Budget be adopted.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

16	TENDERS FOR PLANT, VEHICLES, BITUMEN, GOODS & SERVICES
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Moved Cr Stock-Standen, seconded Cr Link

That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to call tenders, as per the requirements and provisions of the Local Government Act 1995, for the provision of goods and services as approved within the 2008/2009 Budget.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

17      ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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18        CLOSURE

The Shire President thanked all for their attendance and input into the budget and declared the meeting closed at 3.14pm