



Northern Country Zone

MINUTES

26 February 2024

Virtual Meeting

Hosted by the City of Greater Geraldton
commencing at 10am



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- Item 5.0: Minutes Northern Country Zone of WALGA 27 November 2023
- Item 6/7: State Council Agenda 6 March 2024
- Item 8.2: State Council Representative's Report February 2024
- Item 8.3: WALGA President's Report March 2024
- Item 8.4: Zone Status Report February 2024
- Item 8.5: DLGSC Report February 2024
- Item 9.1.1: Correspondence Out:
 - a. Mrs Moira Girando – thank you letter
- Item 9.1.2: Correspondence In:
 - a. WALGA - Zone Delegate Induction Pack
 - b. WALGA - State Council Minutes 6 December 2023
 - c. WALGA - Vacancies on Boards and Committees
- Item 9.2: Bank Statements Nov 2023; Dec 2023; Jan 2024

Zone Delegates were requested to provide written notice on amendments to recommendations within the State Council agenda ASAP to the Zone President and Secretariat, to allow Zone Members time to consider the alternative recommendation.

1. OPENING, WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1 Opening

The Meeting was declared open at 10 am.

1.2 Acknowledgment of Country

The Northern Country Zone of WALGA acknowledges the Yamatji people, who are the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today and pays its respects to their Elders past and present.

1.3 Welcome

The President welcomed members and guests.

1.4 Announcements

Due to unforeseen circumstances which made the holding of an in-person meeting difficult, members were asked by President Chappel if this meeting could be held virtually, with the April 22 2024 meeting to be held in-person at the City of Greater Geraldton. All members agreed with this proposal.

2. ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS

NB: One Voting Delegate from each Member Council

Shire of Carnamah

Cr Merle Isbister - President
Mr Rob Paull - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)

Shire of Chapman Valley	Mr Jamie Criddle - Chief Executive Officer (Proxy)
Shire of Coorow	Cr Guy Sims - President Ms Mia Maxfield - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)
City of Greater Geraldton	Mayor Jerry Clune Mr Ross McKim - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)
Shire of Irwin	Cr Mark Leonard – President Mr Shane Ivers - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)
Shire of Mingenew	Cr Hellene McTaggart Mr Matt Fanning - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)
Shire of Morawa	Cr Karen Chappel – President (NCZ President) Mr Scott Wildgoose - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)
Shire of Northampton	Cr Elizabeth (Liz) Sudlow – President (State Council Deputy Rep) Cr Robert Horstman - Deputy President Mr Andrew Campbell - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)
Shire of Perenjori	Cr Jude Sutherland - President Mr Paul Anderson - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting))
Shire of Three Springs	Cr Chris Lane - President Mr Keith Woodward - Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)

EXECUTIVE Ms Dianne Daniels – Executive Officer

WALGA Cr Paul Kelly - Deputy President
Mr Ian Duncan - Executive Manager Infrastructure

INVITED GUESTS

Member for Moore	Mr Shane Love MLA
Member for Agricultural Region	Hon. Sandra Carr MLC
Main Roads WA	Mr Leon Wilson - Acting Director Mid West-Gascoyne Ms Louise Adamson - Network Manager Mid West-Gascoyne
Mid West Development Commission	Mr Nils Hay - Chief Executive Officer

APOLOGIES

Federal Member for Durack	Hon. Melissa Price MP
Member for Agricultural Region	Hon. Martin Aldridge MLC

Shire of Carnamah	Cr Dwayne Wooltorton - Deputy President
Shire of Chapman Valley	Cr Kirrilee Warr – President (Zone Deputy President and State Council Rep) Cr Trevor Royce
Shire of Coorow	Cr Bruce Jack – Deputy President
City of Greater Geraldton	Cr Jennifer Critch
Shire of Irwin	Cr Isabelle Scott
Shire of Mingenew	Cr Gary Cosgrove – President
Shire of Morawa	Cr Ken Stokes - Deputy President
Shire of Perenjori	Cr Leslie Hepworth - Deputy President
Shire of Three Springs	Cr Nadine Eva
Department of Fire and Emergency Services	Mr Mark Bowen – Superintendent Midwest Gascoyne Region
Dept of Local Government	Mr Craig Vinci – Acting Regional Manager Mid West Gascoyne Sport & Cultural Ind
Main Roads WA	Mrs Janet Hartley-West - Regional Manager Mid West-Gascoyne
National Emergency Management Agency	Ms Candy Hudson - Recovery Support Officer Pilbara, Gascoyne, Murchison and Mid West WA
Regional Development Midwest Gascoyne	Mr Mark Holdsworth - Director of Regional Development/Executive Officer Ms Yvonne Messina - Chair

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

4. ADJOURNED BUSINESS

Nil

5. MINUTES

Attachments: Minutes of the Meeting of the Northern Country Zone of WALGA 27 November 2023

5.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Northern Country Zone of WALGA held on 27 November 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:**Moved:** Cr Sudlow**Seconded:** Cr Sutherland

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Northern Country Zone of WALGA held on 27 November 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

5.2 Business Arising from Minutes

Nil

6. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION

The following items have been taken directly from the WALGA State Council Agenda for 6 March 2024.

The Matters for Decision in the State Council agenda are numbered 8.1 to 8.3.

The WALGA Officer's Recommendation and Executive Summary only have been included. Please refer to the attached PDF version of the State Council Agenda for more detail.

6.1 (8.1) Separation (Centre) and Edge Line Markings by Local Government on Low Volume Rural Roads

Prepared by: Max Bushell, Senior Policy Advisor Road Safety and Infrastructure

WALGA Recommendation:

That WALGA endorse the below Advocacy Position:

1. Main Roads Western Australia allow Local Governments to install edge line and separation (centre) line markings on roads that meet all relevant criteria, but do not meet the criterion on traffic volume.
2. For this exemption, Local Governments must adhere to the following conditions:
 - a) The Local Government contact Main Roads via the Regional Network Manager with their intent to undertake line marking on specific roads that do not meet the traffic volume criterion, but meet all the other criteria.
 - b) The Local Government obtain a Council resolution, committing to fund all installation and maintenance costs.
 - c) Local Government undertake spotting/surveying.
 - d) Main Roads to undertake an inspection following the survey/spotting work, confirm the start and finish points for the longitudinal line markings, and record the sections of road with line markings to be maintained by Local Government in the relevant database.
 - e) Main Roads approve the final layout prior to line marking occurring.
 - f) Local Government undertake the works.
 - g) Local Government maintain the works in accordance with Main Roads WA standards.
 - h) Local Government remove the lines if maintenance works are not performed to the standard.

Executive Summary:

- The Main Roads WA warrant does not currently allow edge line or separation (centre) line markings on Local Government roads that carry less than certain traffic volume thresholds.
- Local Governments would like to enhance the safety of their roads by installing line markings in instances where only the traffic volume criterion under the warrant is not met.
- A process is proposed in this item whereby Local Governments would pay for the installation and maintenance and Main Roads would perform the necessary inspections to ensure that the markings adhere to the applicable standard.

- Local Governments would not be required to undertake these works, but rather would have the option to install line markings on qualifying roads that do not meet the traffic volume criterion at their own cost.

Cr Clune noted that the City was not happy for this responsibility to be taken on by Local Governments as it could lead to non-standard road markings between councils.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Sudlow

Seconded: Cr Sutherland

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officers' recommendation for State Council Agenda Item 8.1.

Carried

Items 6.2 and 6.3 were considered en bloc.

6.2 (8.2) Recovered Materials Framework Advocacy Position

Prepared by: Rebecca Brown, Manager Waste and Environment

WALGA Recommendation:

That WALGA:

1. Rescind the existing WALGA *Standards for Recycled Organics Applied to Land Policy Statement 2007* and Advocacy Position 7.9:

Local Government:

1. Acknowledges the benefits of applying recycled organics to land, especially as a means of diverting organic material from landfill; and,
2. Supports the development of standards for applying recycled organics to land, to ensure a fit for purpose product is developed.

2. Endorse a new *Recovered Materials Framework Advocacy Position* as follows:

The use of recovered materials, across a range of applications, is essential in reducing the use of basic raw materials, meeting State Waste Strategy Targets and increasing diversion of waste from landfill. To ensure end users have high confidence in the quality and safety of products derived from recovered materials, consistent, outcomes-based standards and investment certainty are required.

The State Government, in consultation with Local Government and the waste management industry, should take a leadership role in facilitating the use of recovered material by:

1. Developing a regulatory framework which:
 - a. Outlines clear, outcomes-based specifications for individual products which take into consideration the receiving environment and allow for site-specific assessment.
 - b. Minimises risk to human health and the environment from the use of recovered material.
 - c. Establishes robust systems to provide quality assurance and ongoing surveillance throughout the supply chain.
2. Providing guidance and support mechanisms for the successful implementation of the framework.
3. Supporting the development of, and access to, sustainable end markets and long-term offtake agreements through initiatives such as active engagement with potential end users and the inclusion of recovered material content targets in Government procurement and large infrastructure projects.

Executive Summary:

- The [Standards for Recycled Organics Applied to Land Policy Statement 2007](#) was developed at a time when the main option for landfill diversion of organic material in Western Australia was through mixed waste Alternative Waste Treatment (AWT) facilities.

- The Policy Statement provides principles for the development of standards for recycled organics applied to land, however these principles are potentially broadly applicable to any recovered material applied to land.
- The approach taken is that the principles/approach in the Policy Statement have been reviewed and used to inform the development of the Recovered Materials Framework Advocacy Position.
- The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation is developing a Recovered Materials Framework to cover the application of recovered materials to land.
- The Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC) endorsed the new Advocacy Position in December 2023.

6.3 (8.3) Review of Cemeteries Act 1986 and Cremation Act 1929 Discussion Paper

Prepared by: James McGovern, Manager Governance and Procurement

WALGA Recommendation:

That WALGA:

1. Supports the intent of the Review of Cemeteries Act 1986 and Cremation Act 1929 Discussion Paper to reduce red tape, modernise legislation and standardise administrative practices; and
2. Advocates that Local Government cemetery managers retain the capacity to impose cemetery fees and charges under Part 6 of the Local Government Act.

Executive Summary:

- The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries released the Review of *Cemeteries Act 1986 and Cremation Act 1929* Discussion Paper in November 2023 for public submission.
- WALGA was granted an extension to the submission closing period of 16 February 2024 to permit sector involvement in providing feedback from the Zone process and State Council consideration.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Sudlow

Seconded: Cr Isbister

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officers' recommendation for State Council Agenda Items 8.2 and 8.3.

Carried

7. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR NOTING / INFORMATION

The following items have been taken directly from the WALGA State Council Agenda for 6 March 2024.

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The WALGA Officer's Recommendation and Executive Summary only have been included. Please refer to the attached PDF version of the State Council Agenda for more detail.

7.1 (10.1) 2024-25 Federal Budget Submission

Prepared by: Dana Mason, External Affairs Manager

WALGA Recommendation:

That State Council note WALGA's 2024-25 Federal Budget Submission.

Executive Summary:

- The WALGA President has written to the Federal Assistant Treasurer to support the initiatives identified in ALGA's 2024-24 Federal Budget Submission.

- The submission also highlights additional areas that are a priority for WA Local Governments in the 2024-25 Budget, including:
 - Funding to improve safety on high-speed roads in regional and peri-urban areas.
 - Addressing gaps on the long-term cycle network
 - Addressing systemic issues in the provision of health services in the regions and compensating Local Governments for the costs they are incurring to support the provision of primary health services in their communities.
 - Funding for a dedicated training program for key areas of skills shortages in Local Government, including town planners, building surveyors and Environmental Health Officers (EHOs).
 - Funding support for programs to manage the impacts of climate change and build resilience.
- The submission was provided to Commonwealth Treasury and the Assistant Treasurer in January 2024, and will be sent to all WA Members of Federal Parliament in coming weeks.

7.2 (10.2) Emergency Management Sector Adaptation Plan (EM-SAP) Local Government Consultation Project

By Simone Ruane, Project Lead, Emergency Management

WALGA Recommendation:

That State Council note the update on the Emergency Management Sector Adaptation Plan Local Government Consultation project.

Executive Summary:

- In October 2022, a SEMC Climate Change Subcommittee (CCSC) was established to provide leadership and guidance in the development of an Emergency Management Sector Adaptation Plan (EM-SAP).
- The EM-SAP is being developed through the Department of Fire and Emergency Service's (DFES') Climate Change Adaptation Program (CCAP).
- WALGA has been engaged to obtain input from the Local Government sector on an EM-SAP Discussion Paper to inform the development of the final EM-SAP that will be submitted for endorsement by the SEMC in mid-2024.
- WALGA's consultation with the Local Government sector on the EM-SAP will be delivered during February and March 2024 and will include an EM-SAP Information Webinar on 14 February and several interactive workshops delivered on the 20, 21 and 26 February.
- Registration to participate in WALGA's EM-SAP webinar and workshops is via the [WALGA website](#).
- A draft WALGA submission that includes the consultation summary and EM-SAP recommendations will be submitted to State Council via the Flying Minute process for endorsement at the end of March, to meet the SEMC's consultation timeframes.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Sims

Seconded: Cr Sudlow

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes State Council Agenda Items 10.1 and 10.2.

Carried

8. REPORTS

Items 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 were considered en bloc.

8.1 Zone President's Report

Refer to the WALGA President's Report

8.2 WALGA State Council Representative's Report

The WALGA State Council Representative's Report for February 2024 is attached.

8.3 WALGA President's Report

The WALGA President's Report for March 2024 is attached.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Mayor Clune

Seconded: Cr Sudlow

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes 8.1 Zone President's Report, 8.2 WALGA State Council Representative's Report for February 2024 and 8.3 WALGA President's Report for March 2024.

Carried

8.4 Zone Status Report

A Status Report outlining the actions taken on the Zone's resolutions is attached.

There was some discussion around the second item on the Status Report – Renewable Energy Developments – Community Engagement - with concern being shown that local governments are not being involved in consultations with larger resource and energy companies. WALGA currently have no clear position in this space, but the upcoming Strategic Priority session may see that change.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr McTaggart

Seconded: Cr Sudlow

The Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the February 2024 Status Report outlining actions taken on the Zone's resolutions.

Carried

8.5 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Report

The February 2024 Report from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries is attached.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Lane

Seconded: Cr Sims

The Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the February 2024 Report from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Carried

9. ZONE MATTERS FOR NOTING/DECISION

9.1 Correspondence

9.1.1 Correspondence Out

9.1.1 (a) 23/11/2023 Mrs Moira Girando

Attachment – Thank you letter

A letter from the Northern Country Zone President, on behalf of the Zone, thanking Mrs Moira Girando for her long service to her community and the wider region.

9.1.2 Correspondence In

9.1.2 (a) 30/11/2023 WALGA

Attachment – Zone Delegate Induction Pack 2023 (emailed to members 30/11/2023)

(b) 15/12/2023 WALGA

Attachment – State Council Minutes 6 December 2023

(c) 10/01/2024 WALGA

Attachment – email from Kathy Robertson (emailed to Members 11/01/2024)

Information regarding vacancies on WALGA Boards and Committees.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Mayor Clune

Seconded: Cr Lane

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes Correspondence Out at Items 9.1.1 (a) and receives Correspondence In at Items 9.1.2 (a) through to 9.1.2 (c).

Carried

9.2 Detailed Income and Expenditure Statement and Bank Reconciliation at 31 January 2024

Prepared by: Dianne Daniels, Executive Officer

Attachments: Bank Statements Nov 2023; Dec 2023; Jan 2024

Recommendation:

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA receives the Detailed Income Statement and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31 January 2024.

Comments:

The Detailed Income Statement shown below represents the cash position of NCZ at 31 January 2024, as reconciled to the Bank Statement.

NORTHERN COUNTRY ZONE OF WALGA

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

For the period ending

31-Jan-24

	<i>Date</i>	<i>Ref</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Description</i>
Statement Balance B/F	01-07-23		7,945.49	
Deposits			18,000.00	2023-24 Membership Subscriptions x 10
			0.69	Interest received
TOTAL RECEIPTS			18,000.69	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE			25,946.18	
Payments Made	14-07-23		-2,990.25	Internet Tsf - Dianne Daniels - Inv 232401 - EO Services 02/05/2023 - 05/07/2023; Travel; Stationery
	15-08-23		-275.00	Internet Tsf - North Midlands Accounting Service - Inv 2024-000123 - Audit Report 2022-23
	18-10-23		-340.00	Internet BPay - Shire of Chapman Valley - Inv 9444 - Catering for 28 August meeting
	18-10-23		-2,670.98	Internet Tsf - Dianne Daniels - Inv 232402 - EO Services 06/07/2023 - 08/09/2023; Travel
	29-11-23		-3,074.14	Internet Tsf - Dianne Daniels - Inv 232403 - EO Services 09/09/2023 - 29/11/2023; Travel; Microsoft Exchange
TOTAL PAYMENTS MADE			-9,350.37	
Closing Cash Balance	31-01-24		16,595.81	

NORTHERN COUNTRY ZONE OF WALGA

BANK RECONCILIATION SUMMARY

For the period ending

31-Jan-24

Statement Balance B/F	01-07-23	7,945.49
Deposits and Credits		18,000.69
Cheques and Payments		-9,350.37
Total Cleared Transactions	31-01-24	16,595.81
Add back o/s		0.00
Reconciled Balance		16,595.81
Bank Statement	31-01-24	16,595.81
Difference I&E to Bank Statement		0.00

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Sims

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA receives the Detailed Income Statement and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31 January 2024.

Carried

9.3 State Council Flying Agenda Process – For Noting

Prepared by: Kathy Robertson, Manager Corporate and Association Governance

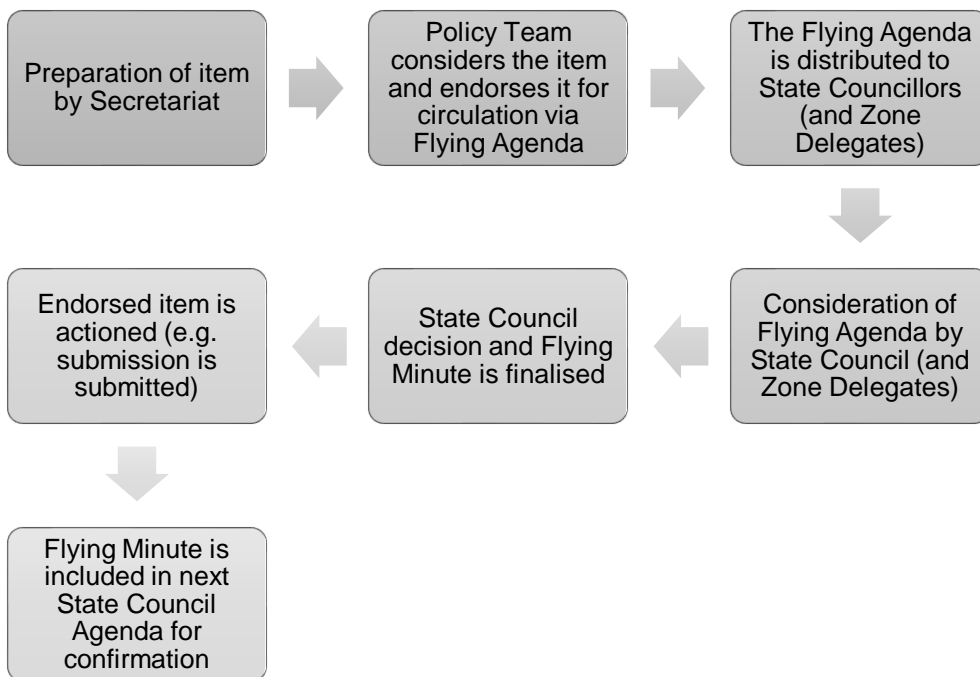
Recommendation:

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the State Council Flying Agenda process.

Background:

State Council has five ordinary meetings per year. As a result, there are occasions when decisions need to be made or submissions need to be endorsed to meet external deadlines which do not fit within the existing State Council meeting schedule.

The first preference is always to seek an extension of time to enable the item to be considered by Zones and State Council through the usual Agenda process. However, if an extension of time is not granted, the item will need to be endorsed by State Council by way of a Flying Agenda. The process for a Flying Agenda is summarised below:



Flying Agendas are generally open to responses for 7 days.

At the request of State Council, the Flying Agenda process has recently been amended to better include Zone Delegates in the decision-making process. The Zone Executive Officer will alert Delegates via email when a Flying Agenda is out for consideration by State Council and request that any comments or feedback be directed to the Zone's State Council representative(s). State Councillors are then able to consider the feedback of Zone Delegates when making their final decision.

Please note that any comments or feedback sent directly to WALGA, rather than the Zone's State Council representative(s), will not go towards the Flying Agenda. There is no requirement to respond to an email circulating a Flying Agenda, however if you would like to contribute this should be directed to your State Council representative(s).

All completed Flying Minutes are available to view on the WALGA website [here](#), and are included in the subsequent State Council Agenda as both previous Minutes (for confirmation) and as an Item for Noting.

Comment:

For any questions about the State Council Flying Agenda process, please contact Kathy Robertson, Manager Association and Corporate Governance on krobertson@walga.asn.au or (08) 9213 2036.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Sutherland

Seconded: Cr McTaggart

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the State Council Flying Agenda process.

Carried

9.4 2024 Local Government Honours Program – For Noting

Prepared by: Meghan Dwyer, Executive Officer Governance

Recommendation:

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the 2024 Local Government Honours Program.

Background:

The annual Local Government Honours Program affords public recognition and celebration of the outstanding achievements and lasting contributions made by Elected Members and Local Government officers to their respective Councils, the WA Local Government sector and the wider community.

There are six awards in the 2024 Program:

1. Local Government Medal
2. Life Membership
3. Eminent Service Award
4. Merit Award
5. Local Government Distinguished Officer Award
6. Young Achievers Award

Comment:

Nominations will open on **Friday, 8 March 2024** and close at **5:00pm on Friday, 31 May 2024**.

Details on the 2024 Honours Program and Nomination Forms will be available from Friday, 8 March 2024 on the [WALGA website](#).

For more information contact Meghan Dwyer, Executive Officer Governance, on 9213 2050 or via email at honours@walga.asn.au.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Lane

Seconded: Cr Sims

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the 2024 Local Government Honours Program.

Carried

9.5 Road Works during a Total Fire Ban Regulatory Review Update – For Noting

Prepared by: Max Bushell, Senior Policy Advisor, Road Safety and Infrastructure

Recommendation:

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the Road Works during Total Fire Ban Regulatory Review Update.

Executive Summary:

- *The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) has announced that changes to the Bush Fires Regulations 1954 dealing with grading and bituminising works during a Total Fire Ban have come into effect.*
- *All conditions on conducting road works during a Total Fire Ban have been removed, except for the following three conditions: 24Y, 24ZA, and 24ZB.*
- *Local Governments should still employ robust risk management and assessment strategies when deciding whether to proceed with roadworks during a Total Fire Ban.*

Background:

Following consultation with WALGA and Local Governments, Main Roads, and contractors, DFES have removed all conditions on conducting road works during a Total Fire Ban, except for:

- Regulation 24Y: road work remains prescribed for the purposes of section 22B(2) of the Bush Fires Act 1954; meaning business, industry and public authorities (which include Local Governments) can continue to conduct road work during a total fire ban without requiring an exemption.
- Regulation 24ZA: road work must stop during a Total Fire Ban where there is a Catastrophic fire danger rating – with exceptions for essential services.
- Regulation 24ZB: notification is still required via the online notification form which notifies DFES and the Local Government where the works are occurring during a Total Fire Ban. If working within 3kms of DBCA managed land, notification to DBCA is also required.

Local Governments should continue to employ their own thorough risk assessment and risk management practices that consider fire prevention and mitigation when programming road works during a Total Fire Ban.

Additional information can be found on the DFES [website](#). The DFES road work [factsheet](#) may be particularly useful for Local Governments.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Lane

Seconded: Cr Sudlow

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the roadworks during a Total Fire Ban regulatory review update.

Carried

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

As per Item 35 of the Zone Standing Orders, a Delegate may under General Business introduce a motion relating to any item of interest to Local Government, but not otherwise.

10.1 Call to Guests to Address the Meeting

The President called on Guests to address the meeting.

Mr Shane Love MLA, the Hon. Sandra Carr MLC, Mr Nils Hay and Mr Leon Wilson updated members on matters of relevance to them.

10.2 Regional Issues

Background:

As per the resolution at Item 9.1 of the February 2018 meeting, Regional Issues are open for discussion.

Nil

10.3 Regional Tourism Initiatives

Background:

As per the resolution at Item 10.1 of the April 2019 meeting, Regional Tourism Initiatives are open for discussion.

Nil

10.4 Other General Business

The President called for Other General Business from the floor.

Cr McTaggart brought up the subject of Bushfire Volunteers and the need for an industry wide position on minimum training standards. President Chappel suggested that it would be beneficial for Cr McTaggart to bring this item to a Zone meeting as a resolution carried by the Mingenew Shire Council. This would give more scope for the Zone to debate the item and to adopt a position on it.

11. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Recommendation:

That the next ordinary meeting of the Northern Country Zone of WALGA be held on Monday 22 April 2024, commencing at 10:am at the City of Greater Geraldton.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Sudlow

Seconded: Cr McTaggart

That the next ordinary meeting of the Northern Country Zone of WALGA be held on Monday 22 April 2024, commencing at 10:00am at the City of Greater Geraldton.

Carried

12. MEETING CLOSURE

Meeting declared closed at 10:50am.