



MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BUSHFIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

17 MARCH 2021



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Bill Atkinson
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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SHIRE OF WAGIN

Minutes for the Annual General Meeting of the Bushfire Advisory Committee held in the Council Chambers, Wagin on Wednesday 17 March 2021 commencing at 7:02pm

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1. OFFICIAL OPENING

Opened the meeting 7.02pm.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE (PREVIOUSLY APPROVED)

2.1 ATTENDANCE

Cr P J Blight	Chairperson
Mr R Goldsmith	Chief Bushfire Control Officer
Mrs C Goldsmith	
Cr L Lucas	Councillor
Mr T Cook	
Mr A Rowel	
Mr C Clifton	
Mr W Angwin	
Mr S Vogel	Department of Fire and Emergency Services
Mr B Halford	Department of Fire and Emergency Services
MR B Roderick	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Mrs D George	Community Liaison Officer

2.2 APOLOGIES

Mr X White
Mr T Hamersley
Mr S Angwin
Mr W Brockway
Mr B Becker

3. PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

4. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

5. DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER INTERESTS

Nil

5.1 DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST – Local Government Act Section 5.60a

Nil

5.2 DISCLOSURE OF PROXIMITY INTEREST – Local Government Act Section 5.6

Nil



5.3 DISCLOSURE OF IMPARTIALITY INTEREST – Administration Regulation Section 34c

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

6.1 MINUTES FROM THE BUSHFIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 17 MARCH 2020

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved Mr T Cook

Seconded Mr A Rowell

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Bushfire Advisory Committee held on 17 March 2020 and circulated to all Councillors and Committee Members, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried 10/0

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

7.1. CHIEF BUSHFIRE CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

After a very hectic season in 2019/2020 it was a relief to have a relatively quiet year just gone. We started off with a fire in a pine plantation, a generator with a faulty power lead. Pushed breaks through and saved half the trees, couldn't do much but wait for the fire to come out into the stubble and put out spot fires. Had a good response.

Next was a car fire in the picnic area near Parkeyerring which FRS attended. We are aware of several close calls with headers which almost caught fire, only quick action by operators prevented disasters.

A car and caravan rolled and caught fire in the Lime Lake area, occupants managed to get out and FRS attended with local volunteers putting out the surrounding area.

We also had problems with the Piesseville Fire Truck, it went to be serviced and the started motor on the auxiliary pump was not working so a new one was ordered after much searching, in the end it had to come from Uzbekistan or somewhere like that, this took almost 6 weeks. It is astounding that companies who fit these items do not carry spares especially as these are emergency vehicles. This delay meant the Wedgecarrup truck was not serviced before summer. Another 5 trucks have the same problem and only one starter motor in Melbourne.

A big thank you to all those who stepped up and helped when Carol and I were away, for phone calls and offers of help, it was very humbling, and we are extremely grateful.

I am recovering well and almost back to full capacity.

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved Cr L Lucas

Seconded Mr C Clifton

That the Committee recommend that Council receive the Chief Bushfire Control Officer Annual Bushfire Report.

Carried 10/0

7.2. ELECTION OF OFFICER BEARERS

7.2.1 CHAIRPERSON

The Shire Deputy CEO, Brian Roderick, assumed the chair and asked for nominations for the position of Chairperson.

Cr Phillip Blight retained the position as Chairperson of the Bushfire Advisory Committee in his capacity as Shire President.

Mr T Cook nominated Cr Phillip Blight, seconded by Cr L Lucas. There being no further nominations Cr P Blight was declared elected Chairperson.

7.2.2 CHIEF BUSHFIRE CONTROL OFFICER

Mr C Clifton nominated Mr R Goldsmith, seconded by Cr L Lucas. There being no further nominations Mr R Goldsmith was declared elected as Chief Bush Fire Control Officer.

7.2.3 DEPUTY CHIEF BUSHFIRE CONTROL OFFICER 1

Mrs C Goldsmith nominated Mr X White, seconded by Mr T Cook. There being no further nominations Mr X White was declared elected as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Number 1.

- Infrastructure maintenance
- Equipment maintenance
- ESL
- 2nd LEMC representative
- Radio servicing
- Radio training

7.2.4 DEPUTY CHIEF BUSHFIRE CONTROL OFFICER 2

Mr R Goldsmith nominated Mr A Rowell, seconded by Mr C Clifton. There being no further nominations Mr A Rowell was declared elected as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Number 2.

- Trailer maintenance
- Trucks and standpipes
- Shire Liaison
- Training

7.2.5 FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

The following members were nominated as Fire Control Officers for 2021/2022:

Mr R Goldsmith
Mr I McDougall
Mr G Abbott

Mr W Brockway
Mr B Johnson
Mrs C Goldsmith
Mr C Piesse
Mr A Rowell
Mr S Angwin
Mr G Thompson
Mr X White
Mr C Clifton
Mr B Robinson
Mr T Storer
CEO – Shire of Wagin

Shire Office – Town Fire Permits

Mr B Roderick
Mrs D George
Ms D Stephens

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved Mr R Goldsmith

Seconded Mr A Rowell

That the Committee recommend that Council that the following Fire Control Officer appointments be made:

FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

Mr R Goldsmith
Mr I McDougall
Mr G Abbott
Mr W Brockway
Mr B Johnson
Mrs C Goldsmith
Mr C Piesse
Mr A Rowell
Mr S Angwin
Mr G Thompson
Mr X White
Mr C Clifton
Mr B Robinson
Mr T Storer
CEO – Shire of Wagin

SHIRE OFFICER – TOWN FIRE PERMITS

Mr B Roderick
Mrs D George
Ms D Stephens

Carried 10/0



7.2.6 BRIGADE CAPTAINS

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved Cr L Lucas

Seconded Mr A Rowell

That the Committee recommend that Council that the following Bushfire Brigade Captain appointments be made:

BADJARNING

Mr C Clifton was declared elected as Captain for Badjarning Brigade

BALLAYING

Mr X Whitre was declared elected as Captain for Ballaying Brigade

CANCANNING

Mr A Rowell was declared elected as Captain for Cancanning Brigade

LIME LAKE

Mr W Brockway was declared elected as Captain for Lime Lake Brigade

PIESSEVILLE

Mr R Goldsmith was declared elected as Captain for Piesseville Brigade

WEDGE CARRUP

Mr I McDougall was declared elected as Captain for Wedgecarrup Brigade

WAGIN TOWN

Mr T Cook was declared elected as Captain for Wagin Town Brigade

Carried 0/0

7.2.7 CHIEF FIRE WEATHER OFFICER

This position will be delegated to The Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer number 1 or Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 2.

7.2.8 FIRE WEATHER COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved Mr R Goldsmith

Seconded Mrs C Goldsmith

That the Committee recommend that Council that the following Fire Weather Committee appointments be made:

FIRE WEATHER COMMITTEE

Mr R Goldsmith, Mr I McDougall, Mr C Piesse, Mr S Angwin, Mr W Brockway, Mr X White and Mr A Rowell



Carried 0/0

7.2.9 DUAL FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved Mr R Goldsmith

Seconded Cr L Lucas

That the Committee recommend that Council that the following Dual Fire Control Officer appointments be made:

DUMBLEYUNG

Mr S Angwin

Mr X White

NARROGIN

Mr R Goldsmith

Mr C Piesse

WOODANILLING

Mr W Brockway

Mr I Mcdougall

WILLIAMS

Mr C Piesse

WEST ARTHUR

Mr G Abbott

Mr B Robinson

WICKEPIN

Mr S Angwin

Carried 0/0

7.2.10 CLOVER BURINING PERMIT OFFICER

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Mr R Goldsmith

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

9. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those in attendance and closed the meeting at 7.25pm.



I certify that this copy of the Minutes is a true and correct record of the meeting held on 17 March 2021

Signed:

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Chairperson

Date:

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