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SHIRE OF YILGARN
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, 4th MARCH 2009

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Yilgarn Shire Council held in the Council Chambers, Antares Street, Southern Cross on Wednesday, 4th March 2009.

PRESENT

Cr P R Patroni, Shire President

Crs D G Auld, K J Fairless, G V Kenward, D J Pasini and Cr O T Truran

Council Officers: P R Clarke, Chief Executive Officer
R J Bosenberg, Manager for Works
W J Dallywater, Manager of Environmental Health
and Building Services

The Shire President officially opened the meeting at 5.03pm.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr John Williamson was in attendance at the meeting and was invited to submit a Question to Council.

Mr Williamson advised that he did not have a specific question for Council at this stage and merely wished to observe the proceedings of this Special Meeting of Council.

DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Nil

APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Della Bosca had submitted his apologies for this meeting.

“ROYALTIES FOR REGIONS” FUNDING

Prior to discussing the above issue, the Shire President indicated that he wished to clarify that the purpose of this Special Meeting was twofold. Firstly, to consider the “Royalties for Regions” funding allocations and secondly, to further consider the submission of a grant application under the Australian Government’s “Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program” for the Southern Cross Recreation Precinct Redevelopment Project.

The Shire President indicated that the intention of the meeting is to consider outstanding long term projects that could be funded under the “Royalties for Regions” and once this had been considered, the balance could be transferred to the Recreation Facilities Reserve Fund to assist Council’s commitment to the project.

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The CEO advised that the following report had been prepared for the February 2009 Ordinary meeting of Council and that additional to this report was a prioritised list that Council had requested from previous Budget's "Wish List" for consideration and allocation via the "Royalties for Regions" funding.

Submission to:	Special Meeting of Council – Wednesday, 4 March 2009
Agenda Reference:	1
Subject:	Department of Local Government & Regional Development – Royalties for Regions "Country Local Government Fund (CLGF)"
File Reference:	4113
Author:	PR Clarke - Chief Executive Officer
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	23 February 2009

Background:

At the February 2009 Ordinary meeting of Council the CEO informed Councillors that the CLGF allocation of \$708,036 (excluding GST) for the Shire of Yilgarn was available in 2008-09 subject to requirements detailed in the Guidelines and Acceptance Form (as per attached).

- The allocation will be made in two (2) payments;
- An interim report will need to be completed to access the second payment; and
- Further reporting, as outlined in the Guidelines, will be required before allocations will be made in subsequent years.

Comment

Based upon the information supplied by the Minister at the launch of the CLGF, the following amounts per annum are expected to be received over the current term of the Government.

2008/09	\$708,036
2009/10	460,223
2010/11	354,018
2011/12	354,018
TOTAL	\$1,876,295

- At the February 2009 Ordinary meeting, Council requested the CEO to re-list the Budget "Wish List" and submit those projects that were considered more infrastructure orientated rather than maintenance type projects.

Attached is the above list with approximate costs for Council consideration.

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Statutory Environment

Council is required to advise the Department of Local Government and Regional Development of which projects CLGF monies will be allocated prior to receiving the 2008/09 allocation of \$708,036.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

PROJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER ROYALTIES FOR REGIONS
FUNDING

- **Southern Cross Recreation Complex/Ground**
Upgrade Change rooms – lining/rendering brick walls \$ 12,000
Installation of Ground lighting \$250,000
- **Masonic Lodge**
Construct outdoor weather proof shed for telescopes \$ 6,000
- **Bodallin Roadhouse**
Construct new toilet block \$ 30,000
caravan parking area \$ 3,000
Seal car park area and pull off bay \$ 32,000
- **Swimming Pool**
New retractable shade sail over shallow end of main pool \$ 30,000
- **Bush Fire Brigade**
Re-seal Running Track \$ 65,000
- **Southern Cross Community Centre**
Purchase mobile lifting platform \$ 36,500
Build storeroom on south side of building \$ 23,500
- **Occasional Day Care Centre**
Renovations to Toilet facilities \$ 10,000
- **Yilgarn Homes for the Aged**
Renovate Units 5 to 8 \$100,000

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•	Southern Cross Airstrip	
	Contribution to RADS grant for terminal facility	\$ 45,000
	TOTAL	\$643,000

<p>Recommendation</p> <p>That Council determines its priority projects for the Country Local Government Fund 2008/09 allocation of \$708,036 and once prioritised, forwards the required notification to the Department of Local Government and Regional Development.</p>
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Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

“ROYALTIES FOR REGIONS 2008/2009” FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

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Moved Cr Kenward Seconded Cr Pasini that Council allocates the following amounts to the identified projects under the 2008/2009 Royalties for Regions funding:-

Southern Cross Recreation Ground

Coach and Player Bunkers \$ 15,000

Upgrade Changerooms – lining/rendering brick walls \$ 12,000

Masonic Lodge

Construct outdoor weather proof shed for telescopes \$ 6,036

Bodallin Roadhouse

Construct new toilet block/Seal car park pull-off bay \$ 50,000

Swimming Pool

New retractable shade sail over shallow end of main pool \$ 40,000

Bush Fire Brigade

Re-seal Running Track \$ 65,000

Southern Cross Community Centre

Purchase mobile lifting platform/build storeroom \$ 60,000

Occasional Day Care Centre

Renovations to Toilet facilities \$ 10,000

Yilgarn Homes for the Aged

Renovate Units 5 to 8 \$100,000

Southern Cross Airstrip

Contribution to RADS grant for terminal facility \$ 45,000

Southern Cross Cemetery

Construct Toilet Facility \$ 40,000

Recreation Facility Reserve Fund

Allocation to Recreation Precinct Redevelopment Project \$265,000

TOTAL **\$708,036**

CARRIED (6/0)

The meeting was adjourned at 6.03pm for an evening meal.

The meeting resumed at 6.32pm with previous attendees present.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S "REGIONAL AND LOCAL COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (RLCIP)"

The Shire President advised that as Council had allocated an amount of \$265,000 from the "Royalties for Regions" funding to the Recreation Precinct Redevelopment Project, Council could now consider the Draft Business and Feasibility Study for the project with the intent of submitting a grant application under the Australia Government's RLCIP program which was required to be submitted via electronic means on Friday, 6 March 2009 by 4.00pm AEST.

Whilst the \$265,000 allocation to the Recreation Facility Reserve would provide an approximate balance of \$1 million, the Shire President indicated that the CEO was seeking a commitment from Council to the project of \$1.5 million. The additional \$500,000 could be sourced via a combination of the 2009/10 "Royalties for Regions" funding and Council's own financial resources.

The CEO presented the Draft Feasibility and Business Plan that had been prepared by CCS Strategic Management and outlined its contents. The CEO indicated that should Council endorse the Report, he would be traveling to Perth on Thursday, 5 March to assist the Consultant in the further development of the Plan on Thursday, 5 and Friday, 6 March with the intent of submitting same to the Australian Government's Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government by the required timeframe.

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Moved Cr Kenward Seconded Cr Truran that Council receives the Draft Business Plan and Feasibility Plan prepared by CCS Strategic Management for the Southern Cross Recreation Precinct Redevelopment Project and that in consideration of this Plan, Council directs the CEO to proceed with the grant submission to the Australian Government under the Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program and in doing so, Council commits \$1.5 million to the project.

CARRIED (6/0)

CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was declared closed at 7.00pm.

I, Peter Romolo Patroni confirm the afore Minutes of the Meeting held on Friday, 4th March 2009 are confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Cr Romolo Patroni
SHIRE PRESIDENT