

## **Minutes of the meeting of the PLDC held on Tuesday April 5 at the Perth Community Centre. Commencing at 5.36p.m.**

1. **PRESENT.** Russell MacKenzie (chairman) Don Smith, Jon Targett, Michelle Elgersma and Jo Saunderson and Councilors Jan Davis and Janet Lambert

2. **APOLOGIES.** Tony Purse, Sam Beattie, John Stagg, Gail Eacher, Leigh McCullagh

**GUESTS:** Rebecca Miller, Sam Miller

Russell conducted The Acknowledgement of Country.

Russell stated that we would not be following the agenda as we would listen to the presentation from Sam Miller and then discuss budget priorities

### **3. Confirmation of Minutes.**

That the Minutes of the Zoom meeting held on March 8th at 5.30p.m. be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Article 4.5 ANZAC Memorial Park. After discussion it was decided to remove this item from the minutes (as the minutes had not been presented to the March Council meeting). Janet Lambert felt there maybe a backlash from the community to the opening up of the park due to previous vandalism. This was a now supported by several members of the committee.

**MOVED: Jon Targett**

**SECONDED: Jo Saunderson**

### **4. DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, Part 5, S48A- 556, a member of a Special Committee must not participate in any discussion or vote on any matter

To which the member

A) has an interest or

B) Is aware or ought to be aware that a close associate has an interest.

A member has an interest in a matter if the matter was decided in a particular manner, receive or have an expectation of receiving or likely to receive a pecuniary benefit or pecuniary detriment.

It should be noted that any person declaring an interest is required to notify the general manager, In writing, of the details of any interest declared within seven days of the declaration.

**PRESENTATION** by Sam Miller.

Sam is a 15

year old member of the Perth Community who

feels strongly that the young people of Perth would benefit greatly from the installation of a Bike Pump Track. His impressive well researched presentation was accompanied by an informative handout.

Sam was thanked for his presentation and left the meeting, along with his mother, to do his homework. The discussion following this presentation was in favour of supporting this proposal as there is no facilities for young people in the town. Council members commented that this was not the only proposal received for pump tracks within the council area and whatever decisions were made it would not be a quick process. It was common agreement that a pump track could be part of a larger plan to make Perth a destination for outdoor activities with bicycle and walking tracks, some of which are either under construction or in the plan of The Perth Structure plan.

## **5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**

No new business

## **6. BUDGET PRIORITIES 2022/2023**

- Shade in local parks
- Shade sales in Secombe St Park
- Reorient Perth entrance signs & change them to say "Named in 182"
- Perth Pump Track
- Park signage
- Investigation & instillation of History interpretation panels which tell the full history of Perth
- Continued Development of West Perth

We request that the 2020/2021 (4.1.1) and 2021/2022 (4.1.2) Budget list items remain on the agenda and that we continue to be given regular updates.

## **7. Reconciliation Plan**

It was agreed at the previous meeting that Sam Beattie would investigate matters pertinent to Perth but that an overall reconciliation plan for the Northern Midlands should be carried out by the council.

## **8. OLD SERVO SITE** Cnr Drummond St and Main Road

The committee was informed that the owners were approached by the council but did not wish to sell. Apparently there is new legislation regarding owners being required to clean up unsightly and derelict buildings. The committee would like this followed up.

## **9. Queen's Jubilee Tree Planting**

The committee was notified and accepted the Council's decision regarding applying for a grant to plant trees in each location, the Train Park in Perth being our nominated site.

## **10. SIGNAGE**

It was noted that there is no signage at Sheepwash Creek Park even though the name was decided by community consensus last year and would like information as to when this would happen. The naming of the Dog park is still before the nomenclature board.

## **11. INVITATION TO LEIGH MCCULLAGH, Works Manager**

As Mr McCullagh was unable to attend tonight's meeting we would like to offer an invitation for him to attend the May meeting.

The committee felt that submitting a list of questions was not the preferred method of dialogue and would prefer a face to face meeting.

## **12. MINUTES OF PLDC MEETINGS.**

It has been noted by the committee that the minutes of meetings have on occasion not been submitted for the next scheduled Council meeting.

Could we please be informed of cut off times for minutes to be received for inclusion in the following council meeting.

## **NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 6.45.p.m.

Next scheduled meeting (without secretarial support) will be held at 5.30.pm on Tuesday 3rd May 2022