
Shire of Perenjori
MINUTES
Finance Committee Meeting

Held in the Shire of Perenjori Council Chambers, Fowler Street, Perenjori on Tuesday 18th August 2015 commenced at 5pm.

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15081 PRELIMINARIES

15081.1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Cr C King declared the meeting open at 5.09pm.

15081.2 DISCLAIMER READING

Nil

15081.3 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr C King
Cr J Cunningham
Cr L Smith
Cr H Wass
Ali Mills – Chief Executive Officer
Debbie Barndon – Senior Finance Officer

Apologies

Cr J Hirsch

15081.4 NOTATIONS OF INTEREST

Financial Interest – Local Government Act S 5.60a
Proximity Interest – Local Government Act S 5.60b
Interest Affecting Impartiality – Local Government - Code of Conduct.

15081.5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

15081.6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes for the Finance Committee Meeting of 14th April 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Cr H Wass

Seconded: Cr L Smith

That the Minutes for the Finance Committee Meeting of 14th April 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Carried: 6/0

15082 FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**15082.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – JULY 2015**

APPLICANT:	SHIRE OF PERENJORI
FILE:	ADM0081
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	NIL
AUTHOR:	DEBBY BARNDON - SFO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	PETER MONEY - MCDS
REPORT DATE:	18TH AUGUST 2015
ATTACHMENTS	MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT – JULY 2015

Executive Summary

This item recommends that the Council accepts the Financial Activity Statement for the period ending 31st July 2015.

Background

Each month officers are required to prepare monthly financial reports, covering prescribed information, and present these to the Council.

Details

Presented is the Financial Activity Statement Report for the period ending 31st July 2015.

The following statements are presented to Council:

- Monthly Summary Information - Charts
- Statement of Financial Activity (Program of Nature and Type) this provides the budget and actual income and expenditure for operating and non-recurrent as well and the closing surplus to date. (FM Reg 34(1))
- Statement of Capital Acquisitions and Capital Funding
- Net Current (Assets) Funding Position (Note 3). This provides the amount of assets over liabilities within the Balance Sheet. (FM Reg 34 (1)(e))
- Notes to the Financial Statements include:
 - Note 1.- Significant Accounting Policies
 - Note 2. - Explanation of Material Variances
 - Note 3. – Net Current Funding Position
 - Note 4. – Cash & Investments
 - Note 5. – Budget Amendments
 - Note 6. – Receivables
 - Note 7. – Cash Back Reserves

- Note 8. – Capital Disposals
- Note 9. – Rating Information
- Note 10. – Information on Borrowings
- Note 11. – Grant and Contributions
- Note 12.- Trust Fund
- Note 13.- Details of Capital Acquisition

Legal Compliance

Regulation 34 (Financial activity statement report) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 states –

- (1) A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d), for that month in the following detail –
 - (a) Annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1) (b) or (c);
 - (b) budget estimates to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
 - (c) actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
 - (d) material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c); and
 - (e) the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.
- (2) Each statement of financial activity is to be accompanied by documents containing –
 - (a) an explanation of the composition of the net current assets of the month to which the statement relates, less committed assets and restricted assets;
 - (b) an explanation of each of the material variances referred to in sub regulation (1) (d); and
 - (c) such other supporting information as is considered relevant by the local government.
- (3) The information in a statement of financial activity may be shown –
 - (a) according to nature and type classification; or
 - (b) by program; or
 - (c) by business unit
- (4) A statement of financial activity, and the accompanying documents referred to in sub regulation 34 (2), are to be –
 - (a) presented at an ordinary meeting of the council within 2 months after the end of the month to which the statement relates; and
 - (b) recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.
- (5) Each financial year, a local government is to adopt a percentage or value, calculated in accordance with the AAS, to be used in statements of financial activity for reporting material variances.

Section 6.8 of the Local Government Act 1995 (Expenditure from municipal fund not included in annual budget) states –

- (1) A local government is not to incur expenditure from its municipal fund for an additional purpose except where the expenditure —
- a. is incurred in a financial year before the adoption of the annual budget by the local government; or
 - b. is authorised in advance by resolution; or
 - c. is authorised in advance by the mayor or president in an emergency.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Area 5: Investing in Councils Leadership

Goal: Strengthen the Shire's position as an innovative, independent Local Government providing excellence in all areas of governance, management and leadership.

Consultation

Liaison with MCDS, FO, & MIS.

Comment

There have been some difficulties with the July statements due to faults in the Synergy Soft programme. This was first observed in the June statements when a Councillor identified different rate incomes in parts of the statements. The owners of the software have made several attempts to correct the 'bugs' and this finally appears to have been successful.

Voting Requirements – Simple Majority**Officer Recommendation – Item 15082.1**

That Council, in accordance with Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, accepts the Financial Activity Statement Report for the period ending 31st July 2015.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – ITEM 15082.1

Move: Cr L Smith

Seconded: Cr J Cunningham

That Council, in accordance with Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, accepts the Financial Activity Statement Report for the period ending 31st July 2015.

Carried: 6/0

15082.2 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – JULY 2015

APPLICANT:	SHIRE OF PERENJORI
FILE:	1306P
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	NIL
AUTHOR:	DEBBY BARNDON - SFO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	PETER MONEY - MCDS
REPORT DATE:	18TH AUGUST 2015
ATTACHMENTS	ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Executive Summary

This item recommends that the Council confirms the payment of accounts for July 2015 as shown on the attached schedule.

Background

Council has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to make payments from the Municipal and Trust funds in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Under Regulation 13(1) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, where a local government has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer the exercise of its power to make payments from the Municipal fund or the Trust fund, each payment from the Municipal fund or the Trust fund is to be noted on a list compiled for each month showing:

- a) The payee's name;
- b) The amount of the payment
- c) The date of the payment; and
- d) Sufficient information to identify the transaction

That list should then be presented at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council following the preparation of the list, and recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.

Legal Compliance

Section 6.10 (d) of the Local Government Act 1995 refers, i.e. -

6.10. financial management regulations

Regulations may provide for —

(d) the general management of, and the authorisation of payments out of —

(i) the municipal fund; and

(ii) the trust fund,

of a local government.

Regulation 13(1), (3) & (4) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 refers, i.e. -

13. Lists of Accounts

(1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared —

- (a) the payee's name;
- (b) the amount of the payment;
- (c) the date of the payment; and
- (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.

(3) A list prepared under subregulation 34 (1) is to be —

- (a) presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
- (b) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

Policy Implications

All accounts paid have been duly incurred and authorised for payment as per approved purchasing and payment procedures.

Financial Implications

Ongoing management of Council funds by providing Council with sufficient information to monitor and review payments made.

Strategic Implications

Area 5: Investing in Councils Leadership

Goal: Strengthen the Shire's position as an innovative, independent local Government providing excellence in all areas of governance, management and leadership

Consultation

FO

Comment

All accounts paid have been duly incurred and authorised for payment as per approved purchasing and payment procedures.

Voting Requirements – Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation – Item 15082.2

That Council, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (as amended), confirms the accounts paid for the month ending 31st July 2015 as attached to and forming part of this report.

Municipal Account

EFT

\$ 584,431.38

Direct Debits	\$ 34,017.08
Cheques	\$ 54,756.18
Corporate MasterCard	\$ 6,222.63
Bank Fees	\$ 662.35
Total	\$ 680,089.62

Trust Account - Shire	
EFT	\$ 1,500.00
Cheques	\$
Bank Fees	\$
Total	\$ 1,500.00

Trust Account – Mt Gibson Public Benefit Funds	
EFT	\$ 6,820.00
Cheques	\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ -
Total	\$ 6,820.00

Totalling \$688,409.62 from Municipal and Trust Accounts for the month ending 31st July 2015.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – Item 15082.2

Moved: Cr J Cunningham

Seconded: Cr L Smith

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15083 GENERAL BUSINESS

15083.1 MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

15083.2 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

15083.3 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

15083.4 MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

15083.5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING / MEETINGS

The next Finance Committee Meeting is to be held Tuesday 15th September 2015 at 5.00pm.

15083.6 CLOSURE

Cr C King declared the meeting closed at 5.55pm.

I certify that this copy of the Minutes is a true and correct record of the meeting held on 18th August 2015.

Signed: _____
Presiding Elected Member

Date: _____