

MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

11 OCTOBER 2011

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MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
Agenda for Ordinary Meeting of Council
at Shire of Mount Magnet Council Chambers,
Lot 163 Hepburn St, Mount Magnet
11 October 2011

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The president declared the meeting open at 10:06am.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

President	Cr Murray McQuie
Member	Cr Greg Scott
Member	Cr Jorgen Jensen
Member	Cr Terry Iturbide
Member	Cr Laurence Hodder
Acting Chief Executive Officer	Mr Murray Brown
Shire of Mount Magnet Finance Assistant	Ms Tracey Biggs
Observer – DCEO Cue Shire	Mrs Jenny Goodbourn

APOLOGIES

Member	Cr Harvey Nichols
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3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (maximum 15 minutes)

Nil

4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 02 August 2011.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr T Iturbide

Seconded: Cr L Hodder

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 02 August 2011 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-01

CARRIED 5/0

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

7. PETITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / SUBMISSIONS

Nil

8. FINANCE

8.1 Cash Position Statement

File: MRVC
Officer: Senior Finance Officer
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 30 September 2011

Comment

The Cash Position Statement as at is stated below:-

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STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2011

Balance of Cash Position 01 July 2011	\$ 2,119.51
Plus: Receipts – 01 July 2011 to 30 September 2011	1,780,141.84
Less: Payments – 01 July 2011 to 30 September 2011	11,562.51
Less: CLGF Grant – Term Deposit	1,713,653.70
Less: Bank Fees - 01 July 2011 to 30 September 2011	23.40
Cash Balance as at 30 September 2011	\$ 57,021.74

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements
Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr T Iturbide

Seconded: Cr G Scott

That the Cash Position Statement as at 30 September 2011 be received.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-02

CARRIED 5/0

8.2 Accounts for Payment

File: MRVC
Officer: Senior Finance Officer
Amended By: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 30 September 2011

Comment

The accounts for payment list is attached for consideration.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr L Hodder

Seconded: Cr J Jensen

That accounts totalling \$6,263.52 represented by direct payment be authorised.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-03

CARRIED 5/0

8.3 Debtors

File: MRVC
Officer: Senior Finance Officer
Amended By: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 28 September 2011

Comment

Outstanding - Fence Rental	\$6,629.01
Balance Due	\$6,629.01

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr T Iturbide

Seconded: Cr L Hodder

That the outstanding Debtors Report be received.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-04

CARRIED 5/0

8.4 Financial Reports

The financial reports will be tabled at the Ordinary Meeting on 11 October 2011 and recorded in the minutes accordingly.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Terry Cr

Seconded: Jorgen Cr

That the financial report for the period ending 30 September 2011 be adopted.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-05

CARRIED 5/0

Council agreed that Mt Magnet Shire Acting CEO, Murray Brown will contact Tony and Andrea Seivwright and get them to do an inspect/repair on the Murchison Downs section of the fence that the Pastoral Lessee has requested be repaired prior to full payment of rates.

Westag Holdings Pty Ltd has again been contacted regarding outstanding invoices. The Mt Magnet Shire will look at alternate addresses via Pastoral Lands Board, Mt Magnet Shire rates and if no contact is made the debt will be placed with Shire Debt Collectors.

A motion was put forward by Cr T Iturbide that upon completion of fence upgrade MRVC will review fence rent rates, motion was agreed.

MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL

MRVC

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

FOR THE PERIOD 1 July 2011 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2011

MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL

INCOME STATEMENT

BY NATURE OR TYPE

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011

	Sep-11 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
REVENUES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Precepts	\$ 28,844	\$ 29,000	\$ 29,644
Subsidy-Agriculture WA	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000
Fees and Charges	\$ 5,649	\$ 5,900	\$ 5,803
Interest Earnings	\$ -	\$ 250	\$ -
Grant Funding	\$ 1,557,867	\$ 1,557,867	\$ -
Council Funding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<u>\$ 1,620,360</u>	<u>\$ 1,621,017</u>	<u>\$ 63,447</u>
EXPENSES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Materials and Contracts	\$ (4,326)	\$ (4,069)	\$ (65,021)
Depreciation	\$ -	\$ (60,000)	\$ (63,854)
	<u>\$ (4,326)</u>	<u>\$ (64,069)</u>	<u>\$ (128,875)</u>
NET RESULT	<u>\$ 1,616,034</u>	<u>\$ 1,556,948</u>	<u>\$ (65,428)</u>

INCOME STATEMENT

BY PROGRAM

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011

	Sep-11 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
REVENUES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Economic Services	\$ 1,620,360	\$ 1,621,017	\$ 63,447
	<u>\$ 1,620,360</u>	<u>\$ 1,621,017</u>	<u>\$ 63,447</u>
EXPENSES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES EXCLUDING BORROWING COSTS EXPENSE			
Governance	\$ (1,927)	\$ (16,017)	\$ (19,264)
Economic Services	\$ (2,398)	\$ (48,052)	\$ (109,610)
	<u>\$ (4,326)</u>	<u>\$ (64,069)</u>	<u>\$ (128,874)</u>
NET RESULT	<u>\$ 1,616,034</u>	<u>\$ 1,556,948</u>	<u>\$ (65,428)</u>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011

	NOTE	Sep-11	2011
		\$	
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents		\$ 1,770,675	\$ 2,120
Trade and Other Receivables		\$ 6,629	\$ 4,375
Inventories		\$ 1,897	\$ 1,897
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		\$ 1,779,201	\$ 8,392
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant and Equipment		\$ -	\$ -
Infrastructure		\$ 112,087	\$ 112,087
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		\$ 112,087	\$ 112,087
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 1,891,288	\$ 120,479
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and Other Payables		\$ 161,378	\$ 1,291
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		\$ 161,378	\$ 1,291
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 161,378	\$ 1,291
NET ASSETS		\$ 1,729,911	\$ 121,769
EQUITY			
Equity		\$ 1,729,911	\$ 121,769
TOTAL EQUITY		\$ 1,729,911	\$ 121,769

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011**

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report are:

(a) Basis of Preparation

The financial report is a general purpose financial statement which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local governments and not-for-profit entities), Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, the local Government Act 1995 and accompanying regulations.

The report has also been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of the selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of a financial report in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that effect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances; the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

(b) The Local Government Reporting Entity

All Funds through which the Council controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

In the process of reporting on the local government as a single unit, all transactions and balances between those funds (for example, loans and transfers between Funds) have been eliminated.

(c) Goods and Services Tax

In accordance with recommended practice, revenues, expenses and assets capitalised are stated net of any GST recoverable. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are stated inclusive of applicable GST.

(d) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash at bank, deposits held at call with banks, other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and bank overdrafts.

Bank overdrafts are shown as short term borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

(e) Trade and Other Receivables

Collectability of trade and other receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts that are known to be uncollectible are written off when identified. An allowance for doubtful debts is raised when there is objective evidence that they will not be collectible.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011**

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(f) Inventories

General

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the

Land Held for Resale

Land purchased for development and/or resale is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes the cost of acquisition, development, borrowing costs and holding costs until Finance costs and holding charges incurred after development is completed are expensed.

Revenue arising from the sale of property is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as at the time of signing an unconditional contract of sale.

Land held for resale is classified as current except where it is held as non-current based on Council's intention to release for sale.

(g) Fixed Assets

Each class of fixed assets is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation or impairment losses.

Initial Recognition

All assets are initially recognised at cost. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Council includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead.

Revaluation

Certain asset classes may be revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. For infrastructure and other asset classes where no active market exists, fair value is determined to be the current replacement cost of an asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated on the basis of such cost to reflect the already consumed or expired future economic benefits of the asset.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of assets are credited to a

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross

Those assets carried at a revalued amount, being their fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, are to be revalued with sufficient regularity to ensure the carrying amount does not differ materially from that determined using fair value at reporting date.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011**

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Fixed Assets (Continued)

Depreciation of Non-Current Assets (Continued)

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis, using rates which are reviewed each reporting period. Major depreciation periods are:

Fencing	50 years
Plant and Equipment	10 years

Capitalisation Threshold

Expenditure on items of equipment under \$2,000 is not capitalised. Rather, it is recorded on an asset inventory listing.

(h) Financial Instruments

Initial Recognition and Measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Council becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the Council commits itself to either the purchase or sale of the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss', in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and Subsequent Measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or at cost.

Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(h) Financial Instruments (Continued)

Classification and Subsequent Measurement (Continued)

Amortised cost is calculated as:

the amount in which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognit

(b) less principal repayments;

(c) plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the

(b) less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest rate method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an

(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are financial assets held for trading. A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term. Derivatives are classified as held for trading unless they are designated as hedges. Assets in this category are classified as current assets.

(ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at

Loans and receivables are included in current assets, except for those which are not expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period (classified as

(iii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the Council's management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity.

Held-to-maturity financial assets are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period (classified as current assets).

If the Council were to sell other than an insignificant amount of held-to-maturity financial assets, the whole category would be tainted and reclassified as available-for-sale.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011**

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(h) Financial Instruments (Continued)

Classification and Subsequent Measurement (Continued)

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets, are non-derivative financial assets that are either not suitable to be classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable.

Available-for-sale financial assets are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period (classified as current assets).

(v) Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Impairment

At the end of each reporting period, the Council assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the

(i) Estimation of Fair Value

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities must be estimated for recognition and measurement or for disclosure purposes.

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the reporting date.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques. The Council uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each reporting date. These include the use of recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, and option pricing models making maximum use of market inputs and relying as little as possible on entity-specific

Quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments are used for long-term debt instruments held. Other techniques, such as estimated discounted cash flows, are used to determine fair value for the remaining financial instruments.

The nominal value less estimated credit adjustments of trade receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values. The fair value of financial liabilities for disclosure purposes is estimated by discounting the future contractual cash flows at the current market interest rate that is available to the Council for similar financial instruments.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(j) Impairment

In accordance with Australian Accounting Standards the Council's assets, other than inventories, are assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication they may be impaired.

Where such an indication exists, an estimate of the recoverable amount of the asset is made in accordance with AASB 136 '*Impairment of Assets*' and appropriate adjustments made.

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

For non-cash generating assets such as roads, drains, public buildings and the like, value in use is represented by the depreciated replacement cost of the asset.

(k) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Council prior to the end of the financial year that are unpaid and arise when the Council becomes obliged to make future payments in respect of the purchase of these goods and services. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

(l) Employee Benefits

The provisions for employee benefits relates to amounts expected to be paid for long service leave, annual leave, wages and salaries and are calculated as follows:

(i) Wages, Salaries, Annual Leave and Long Service Leave (Short-term Benefits)

The provision for employees' benefits to wages, salaries, annual leave and long service leave expected to be settled within 12 months represents the amount the Council has a present obligation to pay resulting from employees services provided to reporting date. The provision has been calculated at nominal amounts based on remuneration rates the Council expects to pay and includes related on-costs.

(ii) Long Service Leave (Long-term Benefits)

The liability for long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Where the Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, the liability is recognised as a current liability.

(m) Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense when incurred except where they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. Where this is the case, they are capitalised as part of the cost of the particular asset.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(n) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when:

- a) the Council has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events;
- b) for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result to settle the obligation; and
- c) that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

(o) Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not legal ownership, are transferred to the Council, are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised recording an asset and a liability equal to the present

Finance leases are capitalised recording an asset and a liability at the lower amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight line basis over the life of the lease term.

(p) Joint Venture

The Council does not have any interest in a joint venture.

(q) Rates, Grants, Donations and Other Contributions

Rates, grants, donations and other contributions are recognised as revenues when the local government obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions. Control over assets acquired from rates is obtained at the commencement of the rating period or, where earlier, upon receipt of the rates.

Where contributions recognised as revenues during the reporting period were obtained on the condition that they be expended in a particular manner or used over a particular period, and those conditions were undischarged as at the reporting date, the nature of and amounts pertaining to those undischarged conditions are disclosed in Note 2(c). That note also discloses the amount of contributions recognised as revenues in a previous reporting period which were obtained in respect of the local government's operation for the current reporting period.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(r) Superannuation

The Council contributes to a number of superannuation funds on behalf of employees.

(s) Current and Non-Current Classification

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. The asset or liability is classified as current if it is expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the Council's operational cycle. In the case of liabilities where the Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, such as vested long service leave, the liability is classified as current even if not expected to be settled within the next 12 months. Inventories held for trading are classified as current even if not expected to be realised in the next 12 months except for land held for resale where it is held as non-current based on Council's intentions to release for sale

(t) Rounding Off Figures

All figures shown in this annual financial report, other than a rate in the dollar, are rounded to the nearest dollar.

(u) Comparative Figures

Where required, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(v) Budget Comparative Figures

Unless otherwise stated, the budget comparative figures shown in this annual financial report relate to the original budget estimate for the relevant item of disclosure.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2011**

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet effective have not been adopted by the Council for the annual reporting period ending 30 June 2011.

Council's assessment of these new standards and interpretations is set out below:

	Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(i)	AASB 9 – Financial Instruments	December 2009	01 January 2013	Nil – The objective of this Standard is to improve and simplify the approach for classification and measurement of financial assets compared with the requirements of AASB 139. Given the nature of the financial assets of the Council, it is not anticipated the standard will have any material effect.
(ii)	AASB 124 – Related Party Disclosures	December 2009	01 January 2011	Nil – It is not anticipated the Council will have any related parties as defined by the Standard.
(iii)	AASB 1053 - Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards	June 2010	01 July 2013	Nil - Due to its nature and statutory requirements the Council will be deemed a Tier 1 entity and will continue to prepare general purpose financial statements.
(iv)	AASB 2009 -12 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 5, 8, 108, 110, 112, 119, 133, 137, 139, 1023 & 1031 and Interpretations 2, 4, 16, 1039 & 1052]	December 2009	01 January 2011	Nil – The revisions embodied in this standard relate to standards which do not apply to local government (ie AASB8) or are largely editorial in nature and will have minimal effect (if any) on the accounting practices of the Council.

**MURCHISON REGIONAL VERMIN COUNCIL
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT
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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)

	Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(v)	AASB 2009– 11 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 101, 102, 108, 112, 118, 121, 127, 128, 131, 132, 136, 139, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 10 & 12)	December 2009	01 January 2013	Nil – The revisions embodied in this standard give effect to the consequential changes arising from the issuance of AASB 9 which is not anticipated to have any material effect on the Council (refer (i) above).
(vi)	AASB 2010 - 2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements [AASB 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 101, 102, 107, 108, 110, 111, 112, 116, 117, 119, 121, 123, 124, 127, 128, 131, 133, 134, 136, 137, 138, 140, 141, 1050, & 1052 and Interpretations 2, 4, 5 15 17 127 129 & 1052]	June 2010	01 July 2013	Nil - None of these amendments will have any effect on the financial report as the standard does not apply in the case of general purpose financial statements.
(vii)	AASB 2010 - 4 Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project [AASB 1, 7, 101, 134, and Interpretation 13]	June 2010	01 January 2011	Nil - The revisions are part of the AASB's annual improvement project to help ensure consistency with presentation, recognition and measurement criteria of IFRSs. It is not anticipated these will have any effect on the Council.

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1. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)

Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(viii) AASB 2010 - 5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 101, 107, 112, 118, 119, 121, 132, 133, 134, 137, 139, 140, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 112, 115, 127, 132 & 1042]	October 2010	01 January 2011	Nil - The revisions embodied in this standard are largely editorial in nature or relate to standards not applicable to the Council and will have minimal effect (if any) on the accounting practices of the Council.
(ix) AASB 2010 - 6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Disclosures on Transfers of Financial Assets [AASB 1 & 7]	November 2010	01 July 2011	Nil - The revisions embodied in this standard amend disclosures required on transfers of financial assets. The Council is not expected to have any qualifying transfers.
(x) AASB 2010 - 7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 (December 2010) [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 101, 102, 108, 112, 118, 121, 127, 128, 131, 132, 136, 139, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 10 & 12]	December 2010	01 January 2013	Nil - The revisions embodied in this standard give effect to the consequential changes arising from the issuance of AASB 9 which is not anticipated to have any material effect on the Council (refer (i) above).
(xi) AASB 2010 - 8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets [AASB 1 & 7]	December 2010	01 January 2012	Nil - None of these amendments will have any effect on the financial report as none of the topics are relevant to the operations of the Council.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)

Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(xi) (Continued)			
AASB 2010 - 9 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Severe Hyperinflation and Removal of Fixed Dates for First-time Adopters [AASB 1]	December 2010	01 July 2011	Nil - None of these amendments will have any the financial report as none of the topics are r the operations of the Council.
AASB 2009– 14 Amendments to Australian Interpretations – Prepayments of a Minimum Funding Requirement [AASB Interpretation 14]	December 2009	01 January 2011	
AASB 2010 - 10 Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Removal of Fixed Dates for First-time Adopters [AASB 2009 - 11 & 2010 - 7]	December 2010	01 January 2013	

Notes:

(*) Applicable to reporting periods commencing on or after the given date.

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█ **1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

(x) Adoption of New and Revised Accounting Standards

During the current year, the Council adopted all of the new and revised Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations which became mandatory and which were applicable to its operations.

These new and revised standards were:

AASB 2009 - 5
AASB 2009 - 8
AASB 2009 - 10
AASB 2009 - 13
AASB 2010 - 1
AASB 2010 - 3

Interpretation 19

The standards adopted had a minimal effect on the accounting and reporting practices of the Council as they were either largely editorial in nature, were revisions to help ensure consistency with presentation, recognition and measurement criteria of IFRSs or related to topics not relevant to operations.

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Profit & Loss Statement

July 2011 through September 2011

Income	
General Purpose Funds	\$28,000.00
Grant Funding	\$1,557,867.00
Precepts	\$28,844.16
Rental Fences	\$5,648.70
Total Income	\$1,620,359.86
Cost of Sales	
Gross Profit	\$1,620,359.86
Expenses	
Bank Fees	\$23.44
Legal Accounting Audit	\$1,400.00
Fence Maintenance	\$2,398.39
Meeting Expenses	\$503.89
Total Expenses	\$4,325.72
Operating Profit	\$1,616,034.14
Other Income	
Other Expenses	
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	\$1,616,034.14

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Balance Sheet

As of September 2011

Assets	
Current Assets	
Cheque Account	\$57,021.74
Term Deposit 1 Month 14/09/11	\$150,000.00
Term Deposit 2 Months 14/09/11	\$300,000.00
Term Deposit 3 Months 14/09/11	\$1,263,653.70
Receivables	\$6,629.00
Inventory	\$1,897.03
Total Current Assets	\$1,779,201.47
Property & Equipment	
Plant and Equipment	
Plant and Equipment at Cost	\$9,119.00
Plant and Equipment Accum Dep	(\$9,119.00)
Total Plant and Equipment	\$0.00
Fence Infrastructure	
Infrastructure Assets at Cost	\$3,127,393.00
Infrastructure Asset Accum Dep	(\$3,015,306.06)
Total Fence Infrastructure	\$112,086.94
Total Property & Equipment	\$112,086.94
Total Assets	\$1,891,288.41
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Tax Liabilities	
GST Collected	\$162,441.70
GST Paid	(\$1,064.20)
Total Tax Liabilities	\$161,377.50
Total Current Liabilities	\$161,377.50
Total Liabilities	\$161,377.50
Net Assets	\$1,729,910.91
Equity	
Retained Earnings	(\$161,545.23)
Current Year Surplus/Deficit	\$1,616,034.14
Historical Balancing	\$275,422.00
Total Equity	\$1,729,910.91

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Balance Sheet [Last Year Analysis]

September 2011

	This Year	Last Year	\$ Difference
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cheque Account	\$57,021.74	\$8,435.95	\$48,585.79
Term Deposit 1 Month 14/09/11	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$150,000.00
Term Deposit 2 Months 14/09/11	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00
Term Deposit 3 Months 14/09/11	\$1,263,653.70	\$0.00	\$1,263,653.70
Receivables	\$6,629.00	\$2,319.24	\$4,309.76
Inventory	\$1,897.03	\$5,076.07	(\$3,179.04)
Total Current Assets	\$1,779,201.47	\$15,831.26	\$1,763,370.21
Property & Equipment			
Plant and Equipment			
Plant and Equipment at Cost	\$9,119.00	\$9,119.00	\$0.00
Plant and Equipment Accum Dep	-\$9,119.00	-\$7,813.00	(\$1,306.00)
Total Plant and Equipment	\$0.00	\$1,306.00	(\$1,306.00)
Fence Infrastructure			
Infrastructure Assets at Cost	\$3,127,393.00	\$3,127,393.00	\$0.00
Infrastructure Asset Accum Dep	-\$3,015,306.06	-\$2,952,758.20	(\$62,547.86)
Total Fence Infrastructure	\$112,086.94	\$174,634.80	(\$62,547.86)
Total Property & Equipment	\$112,086.94	\$175,940.80	(\$63,853.86)
Total Assets	\$1,891,288.41	\$191,772.06	\$1,699,516.35
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade Creditors	\$0.00	\$11,061.05	(\$11,061.05)
Tax Liabilities			
GST Collected	\$162,441.70	\$0.00	\$162,441.70
GST Paid	-\$1,064.20	-\$291.78	(\$772.42)
Total Tax Liabilities	\$161,377.50	-\$291.78	\$161,669.28
Total Current Liabilities	\$161,377.50	\$10,769.27	\$150,608.23
Total Liabilities	\$161,377.50	\$10,769.27	\$150,608.23
Net Assets	\$1,729,910.91	\$181,002.79	\$1,548,908.12
Equity			
Retained Earnings	-\$161,545.23	-\$87,727.05	(\$73,818.18)
Current Year Surplus/Deficit	\$1,616,034.14	-\$6,692.16	\$1,622,726.30
Historical Balancing	\$275,422.00	\$275,422.00	\$0.00
Total Equity	\$1,729,910.91	\$181,002.79	\$1,548,908.12

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GST [Detail - Cash]

1/07/2011 To 30/09/2011

Date	ID#	Name	Rate	Sale Value	Purchase Value	Tax Collected	Tax Paid
FRE	GST Free						
7/01/2011	Fee	CBA	0.00%		\$9.50		\$0.00
7/04/2011	eft	A&A Sievwright	0.00%		\$1,300.00		\$0.00
8/01/2011	Fee	CBA	0.00%		\$6.50		\$0.00
22/08/2011	eft	A&A Sievwright	0.00%		\$2,600.00		\$0.00
9/02/2011	Bank Fee	CBA	0.00%		\$7.40		\$0.00
28/09/2011	Fee	CBA	0.00%		\$0.04		\$0.00
			Total:	\$0.00	\$3,923.44	\$0.00	\$0.00
GST	General						
8/09/2011	406	Swagman Roadhouse	10.00%		\$225.00		\$20.45
22/08/2011	CR000098	Payment; Shire of Mount Magnet	10.00%	\$5,623.78		\$511.25	
30/08/2011	CR000099	Payment; Dept of Regional Developmen	10.00%	\$1,713,653.70		\$155,786.70	
9/02/2011	CR000100	Yulella FaBrications Aboriginal Corporati	10.00%	\$343.86		\$31.26	
9/06/2011	408	Mt Magnet Bakery	10.00%		\$220.00		\$20.00
9/09/2011	CR000101	Payment; Shire of Sandstone	10.00%	\$1,881.76		\$171.07	
9/12/2011	CR000102	Payment; Youno Downs Station	10.00%	\$417.22		\$37.93	
9/12/2011	CR000103	Payment; Murchison Downs Station	10.00%	\$144.41		\$13.13	
9/12/2011	CR000103	Payment; Murchison Downs Station	10.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
9/12/2011	CR000104	Payment; Paroo Station	10.00%	\$1,051.05		\$95.55	
9/12/2011	CR000104	Payment; Paroo Station	10.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
9/12/2011	CR000105	Payment; Neds Creek Station	10.00%	\$330.11		\$30.01	
9/12/2011	CR000106	Payment; Hill View Station	10.00%	\$605.20		\$55.02	
9/12/2011	CR000107	Payment; Shire of Cue	10.00%	\$5,111.57		\$464.69	
9/12/2011	CR000108	Payment; Windsor Station	10.00%	\$433.27		\$39.39	
9/12/2011	CR000109	Payment; Shire of Meekatharra	10.00%	\$7,165.08		\$651.37	
9/12/2011	CR000110	Payment; Pindabunna Station	10.00%	\$429.83		\$39.08	
9/12/2011	CR000111	Payment; Dept of CALM	10.00%	\$204.60		\$18.60	
9/12/2011	CR000112	Payment; Shire of Yalgoo	10.00%	\$11,946.36		\$1,086.03	
9/12/2011	CR000112	Payment; Shire of Yalgoo	10.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
9/12/2011	CR000113	Payment; Agriculture WA	10.00%	\$30,800.00		\$2,800.00	
28/09/2011	CR000114	Payment; Shire of Yalgoo	10.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
28/09/2011	CR000115	Payment; Pindabunna Station	10.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
28/09/2011	CR000116	Payment; Paroo Station	10.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
28/09/2011	CR000117	Payment; Murchison Downs Station	10.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
28/09/2011	eft	Anderson Munro & Wyllie	10.00%		\$2,750.00		\$250.00
28/09/2011	EFT	Yowergabbie Contracting	10.00%		\$1,580.70		\$143.70
28/09/2011	EFT	Shire of Mount Magnet	10.00%		\$109.27		\$9.93
28/09/2011	EFT	Midwest Financial	10.00%		\$1,540.00		\$140.00
28/09/2011	EFT	Murchinson Mechanical	10.00%		\$27.82		\$2.53
			Total:	\$1,780,141.87	\$6,452.79	\$161,831.08	\$586.61
N-T	Not Reportable						
8/01/2011	407	D Jones	0.00%		\$961.39		\$0.00
9/12/2011	CR000112	Payment; Shire of Yalgoo	0.00%	\$0.01		\$0.00	
14/09/2011	410	CBA	0.00%		\$300,000.00		\$0.00
14/09/2011	411	CBA	0.00%		\$1,263,653.70		\$0.00
14/09/2011	EFT	CBA	0.00%		\$150,000.00		\$0.00
28/09/2011	EFT	Cameron Watson	0.00%		\$248.33		\$0.00
			Total:	\$0.01	\$1,714,863.42	\$0.00	\$0.00
					Grand Total:	\$161,831.08	\$586.61

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Bank Register

1/07/2011 To 30/09/2011

ID#	Src	Date	Memo/Payee	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
1-1110			Cheque Account			
			Fee		\$9.50	\$2,110.01
			eft		\$1,300.00	\$810.01
			407		\$961.39	(\$151.38)
			Fee		\$6.50	(\$157.88)
			406		\$225.00	(\$382.88)
			eft		\$2,600.00	(\$2,982.88)
			CR000098	\$5,623.78		\$2,640.90
			CR000099	\$1,713,653.70		\$1,716,294.60
			Bank Fee		\$7.40	\$1,716,287.20
			CR000100	\$343.86		\$1,716,631.06
			408		\$220.00	\$1,716,411.06
			CR000101	\$1,881.76		\$1,718,292.82
			CR000102	\$417.22		\$1,718,710.04
			CR000103	\$144.42		\$1,718,854.46
			CR000104	\$1,051.06		\$1,719,905.52
			CR000105	\$330.11		\$1,720,235.63
			CR000106	\$605.20		\$1,720,840.83
			CR000107	\$5,111.57		\$1,725,952.40
			CR000108	\$433.27		\$1,726,385.67
			CR000109	\$7,165.08		\$1,733,550.75
			CR000110	\$429.83		\$1,733,980.58
			CR000111	\$204.60		\$1,734,185.18
			CR000112	\$11,946.38		\$1,746,131.56
			CR000113	\$30,800.00		\$1,776,931.56
			410		\$300,000.00	\$1,476,931.56
			411		\$1,263,653.70	\$213,277.86
			EFT		\$150,000.00	\$63,277.86
			eft		\$2,750.00	\$60,527.86
			EFT		\$27.82	\$60,500.04
			EFT		\$248.33	\$60,251.71
			EFT		\$1,540.00	\$58,711.71
			EFT		\$109.27	\$58,602.44
			EFT		\$1,580.70	\$57,021.74
				\$1,780,141.84	\$1,725,239.61	

8.5 MYOB Software

File: MRVC
Officer: Murray Brown - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Amended By: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 29th August 2011

Comment

The MRVC financials in previous years have been entered into a MYOB software program. This program is currently out of date. MYOB programs require updating annually to comply with current financial year tax tables. After consultation with Perfect Computer Solutions and MYOB Australia, our subscription is currently still active and Council can still update the current program on file.

This will eliminate the use of a financial accountant to complete the monthly financial reports that the Chief Executive Officer and senior staff could process, which will result in a reduced amount of financial fees, excluding statutory reporting.

Consultation

Murray Brown, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Perfect Computer Solutions
MYOB Australia

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

A negligible cost to Council to purchase the update for \$359.00 and to purchase the update every year thereafter (update prices may vary each year).

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr G Scott

Seconded: Cr J Jensen

That Council consider and approve the update of the MYOB software program for a total cost of \$359.00 and continue on an annual basis to purchase the updates.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-06

CARRIED 5/0



MYOB Australia Pty Ltd
 ABN 13 086 760 198
 PO Box 371, BLACKBURN, VIC 3130
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SALES QUOTE
 Valid Until: 30/09/2011

DATE
 30/09/2011

QUOTE NAME
 2911036271

BILL TO
 Miss. Laurie Evans
 The Murchison Vernon Council
 Lot 163, Hepburn Street
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 Australia

SHIP TO
 Mr. Adrian Byrne
 The Murchison Vernon Council
 Lot 163, Hepburn Street
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 Australia

QTY	PART #	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	UNIT PRICE (GST Inclusive)	EXTENDED PRICE (GST Inclusive)
1	MAUPGMCA-19-AU	MYOB Upgrade to AccountRight Standard v19 + 1 year Cover Subscription		0.00	359.00
MEMO Please use reference number for your cover purchase; if you have any further questions please call Mark on 0392229992 ext 7225			NET SALE AMOUNT:		AUD \$326.36
			GST AMOUNT:		AUD \$32.64
Subject to MYOB Australia Pty Ltd Terms of Trade			TOTAL:		AUD \$359.00



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By internet payment
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 Reference Number : 2911 0362 71



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 Reference : 2911036271
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8.6 Secretarial Administration Fees – Shire of Mount Magnet

File: MRVC
Officer: Murray Brown - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Amended By: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 03 October 2011

Background

In accordance with the requirements of Section 12 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, it is hereby notified for public information that it is presently the policy of the Murchison Regional Vermin Council to meet four (4) times each year.

Council moved a motion (Resolution 2011-08-10) at their meeting on the 02 August 2011 to hold ordinary meetings on a monthly basis being the first Tuesday every month (with exception in November for Melbourne Cup day), whilst the CLGF Funding is being expended. These dates were advertised in the Geraldton Guardian on 10th August 2011.

Comment

Currently Council has endorsed Administration Fees of \$6,000.00 (\$1,500.00 per meeting) in the 2011/2012 Budget of the MRVC based on four ordinary meetings per year).

Based on the increase in the number of meetings, and the increased work load that the fencing project will require by way of an increase in administration and financial accounting work, a review of this charge is warranted.

A fee of \$13,500 is recommended for 2011/12.

Consultation

Shire of Mount Magnet Acting DCEO.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

There is no reason why the increase in administration fees cannot be recouped from interest earned on the grant funds.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr L Hodder

Seconded: Cr T Iturbide

Motion put forward that the MRVC pay \$1500/meeting not a set annual fee, as once a Project Officer is set in place meetings will not be required on a monthly basis.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-07

CARRIED 5/0

8.7 Plan for the Future 2011-2014

File: MRVC
Officer: Murray Brown - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Amended By: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 06 October 2011

Background

The Local Government Act Section 5.56 requires every Local Authority to prepare a "Plan for The Future".

Comment

Council has in the past adopted a plan, however this plan needs updating. A new updated plan for the future is available for Council consideration.

Consultation

Shire of Mount Magnet accounting staff.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act Section 5.56

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

To comply with the LG Act

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr J Jensen

Seconded: Cr L Hodder

That Council adopt the Plan for the Future as presented.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-08

CARRIED 5/0

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PLAN FOR THE FUTURE 2011-2014

Operating Revenue/Expenditure

	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008	2008/2009	2009/2010	2008/2010	2009/2011	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014
	Actual	Actual	Estimated Actual	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	Estimated	Estimated
Revenues											
Precepts Member Councils	28,000	28,840	31,729	31,729	32,681	32,681	32,681	29,644	29,000	29,000	29,000
Subsidy - Agriculture WA	28,001	28,841	30,800	30,800	31,724	31,724	31,724	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000
Fence Rent	5,757	5,930	8,601	8,601	8,859	8,859	8,859	5,803	5,900	5,900	5,900
Interest	36	37	318	100	100	100	100	5	50,000	10,000	500
Compilation of Fence Report											
Other Revenue	152	157	2,982	200	200	200	200			200	200
Phone Reimbursement	200	200	0	200	200	200	200			200	200
Royalties to Regions Grant									1,557,867		
	62,146	64,005	74,430	71,630	73,764	73,764	73,764	63,452	1,670,767	73,300	63,800
Expenditure											
Administration											
Chairman's Allowance	640	640	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
Members Meeting Fees	3,200	3,200	1,840	1,840	1,840	1,840	1,840	4,480	5,600	4,500	4,500
Meeting Expenses	833	833	684	684	684	684	684	620	750	750	750
Communication Expenses	922	1,000	885	885	885	885	885	852	1,200	1,200	1,200
Administration Fees	5,000	5,000	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	6,567	6,000	6,000	6,000
Audit Fees	870	1,000	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Consultants Fee	0	0	1,430	1,430	1,430	1,430	1,430	5,100	3,500	4,000	4,000
Office Expenses	100	100	0	0	0	0	0				
Bank Fees	186	200	159	159	159	159	159	96	165	200	200
Sundry	100	120	120	120	120	120	120	502	1,000	200	200
Debt Collection Costs											
Legal Expenses											
Bad Debts Written Off											
Fence Improvements											
Inspections	1,756	1,000	7,178	7,178	7,178	7,178	7,178				
Fence contractors	20,000	30,000	51,403	51,403	35,000	35,000	35,000	39,535	60,000	20,000	20,000
Bait Contractors	18,000	25,000	1,527	1,527	1,527	1,527	1,527	328			
Materials	1,500	1,500	1,415	1,415	1,415	1,415	1,415	69	2,000	5,000	5,000
Freight								4,375	1,200	1,000	1,000
Signs	-9,000	-12,000	0	0	-10,000						
Capital Works											
R to R Fence Reconst/const									600,000	557,867	
R to R Clearing									400,000		
Depreciation Expense											
Depreciation-Infrastructure	59,680	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	63,854	60,000	70,000	70,000
Depreciation - Plant & Equipment	494	494	494	494	494	494	494				
Expenditure	104,281	118,087	134,785	134,785	108,382	118,382	118,382	129,378	1,144,415	673,717	115,850
Surplus/(deficit) from operations	-42,134	-54,083	-60,355	-63,155	-34,618	-44,618	-44,618	-65,926	526,352	-600,417	-52,050
Total Equity		275,422	215,067	151,912	117,294	72,676	28,058				

9. MANAGEMENT AND POLICY

9.1 Attendance at Meetings by Means of Instantaneous Communication
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File:	MRVC
Officer:	Murray Brown - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Amended By:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	07th September 2011

Application

To provide MRVC members relating to the attendance at MRVC meetings by means of Instantaneous Communication

Background

At the MRVC meeting held on 6th September 2011, the Chief Executive Officer was requested to provide advice on this matter.

Attached is a copy of the Local Government Administrative Regulations relating to this.

Comment

In normal circumstances Council is required to approve of this arrangement by an Absolute Majority of members.

There are also restrictions on the number of times a member can attend by Instantaneous Communication. (No more than half of the meetings in a financial year)

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act Section 5.26 (2)
Local Government Administration Regulations 14A and 14B

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved:

Seconded:

The above information was not deemed relevant and as such teleconferencing will not be adopted.

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996
Council and committee meetings **Part 2**

r. 14A

- (b) have been produced by the local government or a committee for presentation at the meeting,

and which have been made available to members of the council or committee for the meeting are available for inspection by members of the public from the time the notice papers, agenda or documents were made available to the members of the council or committee.

- (2) Nothing in subregulation (1) entitles members of the public to inspect the information referred to in that subregulation if, in the CEO's opinion, the meeting or that part of the meeting to which the information refers is likely to be closed to members of the public under section 5.23(2).

[Regulation 14 amended in Gazette 31 Mar 2005 p. 1030.]

14A. Attendance at meetings by means of instantaneous communication — s. 5.25(1)(ba)

- (1) A person who is not physically present at a meeting of a council or committee is to be taken to be present at the meeting if—
- (a) the person is simultaneously in audio contact, by telephone or other means of instantaneous communication, with each other person present at the meeting;
 - (b) the person is in a suitable place; and
 - (c) the council has approved* of the arrangement.
- (2) A council cannot give approval under subregulation (1)(c) if to do so would mean that at more than half of the meetings of the council, or committee, as the case may be, in that financial year, a person who was not physically present was taken to be present in accordance with this regulation.
- (3) A person referred to in this regulation is no longer to be taken to be present at a meeting if the person ceases to be in instantaneous communication with each other person present at the meeting.

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

Part 2 Council and committee meetings

r. 14B

(4) In this regulation —

suitable place means a place that the council has approved* as a suitable place for the purpose of this regulation and that is located —

- (a) in a townsite or other residential area; and
- (b) 150 km or further from the place at which the meeting is to be held under regulation 12, measured along the shortest road route ordinarily used for travelling;

townsite has the same meaning given to that term in the *Land Administration Act 1997* section 3(1).

* Absolute majority required.

[Regulation 14A inserted in Gazette 31 Mar 2005 p. 1031.]

14B. Attendance at meetings by means of instantaneous communication after natural emergency — s. 5.25(1)(ba)

- (1) If a council member is prevented from being physically present at a meeting of the council because of fire, flood, lightning, movement of land, storm, or any other natural disaster the member is to be taken to be present at the meeting if —
 - (a) the member is simultaneously in audio contact, by telephone or other means of instantaneous communication, with each other person present at the meeting; and
 - (b) the member is authorised to be present by —
 - (i) the Mayor;
 - (ii) the President; or
 - (iii) the council.
- (2) A person referred to in this regulation is no longer to be taken to be present at a meeting if the person ceases to be in instantaneous communication with each other person present at the meeting.

- (3) A place where a person referred to in this regulation is physically present during a meeting is not a place that is open to members of the public under section 5.23(1).
- (4) In this regulation —
person referred to in this regulation, in respect of a meeting, means a council member who is prevented from being physically present at that meeting.

*[Regulation 14B inserted in Gazette 31 Mar 2005 p. 1031-2;
amended in Gazette 19 Aug 2005 p. 3872.]*

9.2 Project Officer Duty Statement

File: MRVC
Officer: Murray Brown - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Amended By: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 27th September 2011

Comment

Due to lack of quorum for the September Ordinary Meeting of Council, there was discussion in regards to employing a Project Officer on a contract basis for the term of the upgrade/replacement of the vermin fence under the CLGF Grant Fund.

The role of the Project Officer is to monitor the progress on the project. They need to have a broad knowledge of the upcoming project and be adept at record keeping and dealing with other contractors in a professional manner, to ensure the job is completed to the exact standards required by Council.

The Project Officer should also prepare reports to the Council, recommending various sections of the fence that require upgrade and assist with tender preparation, forward planning etc.

Consultation

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Employing a new contractor will add additional fees to Councils Budget, however with the interest of the CLGF Grant this should be covered.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr T Iturbide

Seconded: Cr G Scott

Council approve the Duty Statement with changes to the reporting responsibility, Contract Hourly Rate and Mileage Allowance.

Changing reporting responsibility to the MRVC President and Committee; increasing the Contract Hourly Rate to \$65.00; and increasing the Mileage Allowance whilst on the fence to \$1.30.

With these alterations the Duty Statement for the Project Officer is accepted and it is set in motion that the contractor be authorised to start work as soon as they have been appointed and the works are underway on the initial section of fence to be upgraded/replaced under the CLGF Grant.

Council authorises the Mt Magnet Shire CEO to appoint Project Officer.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-09

CARRIED 5/0

DUTY STATEMENT

Project Officer

1. TITLE

Project Officer

2. POSITION OBJECTIVE

The project officer will be employed to carry out duties relating to the works planned from funding received from the Regional Allocation of Royalties for Regions for the Upgrade and Replacement of the No.1 Vermin Fence.

The project officer is required to ensure that the best value for money is received for funds spent on this project.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES

- In conjunction with the MRVC Council prepare schedule of works proposed under the CLGF Grant
- Liaise with Shire CEO relating to the calling of tenders/quotes etc
- Review Tenders/quotes and recommend most appropriate tender to the MRVC
- Supervise all contract works carried out
- Ensure all Works are carried out to a high standard
- Authorise all accounts for payment relating to these works and costed accordingly
- Recommend and plan future proposed sections of work required
- Prepare reports for submission to the MRVC Meetings
- Attend scheduled MRVC Meetings
- Liaise with the MRVC President and Shire of Mount Magnet Chief Executive Officer on a regular basis

Other related duties as required by the MRVC or Shire of Mount Magnet

4. ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

4.1 Responsible to

- MRVC President
- MRVC

4.2 Internal/External Liaison

Internal

- MRVC President
- Shire of Mount Magnet Chief Executive Officer
- Councillors as required
- Shire of Mount Magnet Senior Finance Staff

External

- Contractors
- Pastoralists

5. CONDITIONS

5.1 **Remuneration**

Contract Hourly Rate	\$50.00
Camping Allowance – per Night	\$50.00
Mileage Allowance as per LGO Interim Award 2011 – 4wd Vehicle	
Communications Allowance (Reimbursement)	
<i>Contractor must have ABN Number</i>	

NOTES:

Sat Phone: A Sat Phone will provided for use when out on the fence

Communications: Reimbursement on Personal Mobile business calls
Relating to the MRVC Fence works

Working Days: With no more than 14 days worked consecutively

5.2 **Mileage**

Mileage is calculated based on the Local Government (WA) Officers Interim Award 2011, travelling expense reimbursement is paid at 99.01cents per kilometre for use of an 'Over 2600cc' private vehicle. Council is required to pay this no later than four weeks after the expense has been incurred.

5.3 **Resignation/Termination**

The Project Officer must give one months notice of termination if this project is not completed.

9.3 Re-Advertised Ordinary Meeting Dates

File:	MRVC
Officer:	Murray Brown - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Amended By:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	29 th August 2011

Comment

Council moved a motion (Resolution 2011-08-10) at their meeting on the 02 August 2011 to hold ordinary meetings on a monthly basis being the first Tuesday every month (with exception in November for Melbourne Cup day), whilst the CLGF Funding is being expended. These dates were advertised in the Geraldton Guardian on 10th August 2011.

Dates

The scheduled Council meeting dates for the period 01 September, 2011 to 30 June, 2012 are as follows:

- Tuesday 06 September 2011
- Tuesday 04 October 2011
- Tuesday 08 November 2011
- Tuesday 06 December 2011
- Tuesday 07 February 2012
- Tuesday 06 March 2012
- Tuesday 03 April 2012
- Tuesday 01 May 2012
- Tuesday 05 June 2012

Times

Council meetings commence at 10:00am.

Place

Council meetings, unless otherwise specified, are held in the Council Chambers at the Shire of Mount Magnet.

Special Meetings

Prior public notice will be given of the time, date and place of any Special Meetings of the Murchison Regional Vermin Council.

Consideration may want to be given for the November Meeting as it will be on the same day as the Melbourne Cup which will reduce the number of Members available for a meeting.

Background

In accordance with the requirements of Section 12 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, it is hereby notified for public information that it is presently the policy of the Murchison Regional Vermin Council to meet four (4) times each year.

Statutory Environment
Local Government Act 1995

Policy Implications
Change to Policy

Financial Implications
This will affect Annual Member Meeting Fees
Current 2011-2012 Budget for Member Meeting Fees stands at \$5,600.00 based on MRVC quarterly ordinary meetings.

Strategic Implications
Nil

Voting Requirements
Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr L Hodder

Seconded: Cr T Iturbide

That amended dates of Council Ordinary Meetings for 2011/2012 be noted and Council look into a budget amendment for 2011/2012 to accommodate for the increase in member fees.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-10

CARRIED 5/0

9.4 Big Bell Operations Pty Ltd Request to Mine Over Vermin Fence

File:	MRVC
Officer:	Murray Brown - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Amended By:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	06th September 2011

Comment

We received a letter from the Department of Mines and Petroleum dated 06th September 2011 requesting we grant consent for Big Bell Operations to Mine Leases 20/17, 20/192 and General Purpose Lease 20/3 which are situated over the Vermin Fence.

I have attached a copy of the maps; however I will table the original maps at the meeting.

Consultation
Nil

Statutory Environment
Local Government Act – General Provisions

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil for the MRVC

Strategic Implications

To ensure the integrity of the fence is maintained

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr J Jensen

Seconded: Cr L Hodder

This section of the fence is not currently maintained by the MRVC, as such, changes to this portion will not undermine the integrity of the fence.

Recommendation adopted as is.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-11

CARRIED 5/0

10. FENCE REPORTS

Nil

11. CORRESPONDENCE**Comment**

The following correspondence is available at the meeting for the information of Councillors.

11.1 OUTWARD:

- 11.1.1 Invoices - 2011/2012 Financial Year Fence Rentals, Precepts & Annual Subsidy
- 11.1.2 Letter - Westag Holdings Pty Ltd - Outstanding Accounts
- 11.1.3 Invoice - CLGF Grant for Vermin Fence Upgrade
- 11.1.4 Advertisement - Geraldton Guardian 10th August 2011 - Amended Meeting Dates for 2011/2012
- 11.1.5 Annual Return Acknowledgment Letter - Cr Murray McQuie
- 11.1.6 Primary Return Acknowledgment Letter - Cr Carol Hodshon
- 11.1.7 Annual Return Acknowledgment Letter - Cr Carol Hodshon
- 11.1.8 Annual Return Acknowledgment Letter - Cr Jorgen Jensen
- 11.1.9 Annual Return Acknowledgment Letter - Cr Laurence Hodder
- 11.1.10 Annual Return Acknowledgment Letter - Cr Terry Iturbide
- 11.1.11 Annual Return Acknowledgment Letter - David Burton
- 11.1.12 E-Mail - MRVC Representative Shire of Meekatharra

11.1.13 Letter – Mrs Cathy Jones – Mileage Payment owed to late Cr David Jones

11.2 INWARD:

11.2.1 Letter - President Murray McQuie - Fence Inspection
Mileage owing to late Cr Jones

11.2.2 Invoice - Yowergabbie Contracting - Fence Inspection
carried out on 10/06/2011 - \$853.60

11.2.3 Financial Assistance Agreement - 2010-2011 CLGF

11.2.4 Invoice - Yowergabbie Contracting - Fence Inspection
carried out on 25/08/2011 - \$727.10

11.2.5 E-Mail - Call for Submissions Inquiry into FIFO/DIDO Mining
Operations

11.2.6 E-Mail - MRVC Representative - Shire of Meekatharra will
hold off until elections.

11.2.7 E-Mail - Shire of Mount Magnet Representative - Cr G Scott

11.2.8 Invoice – Mount Magnet Bakery – Council Lunch for Meeting
on 06 September 2011 - \$220.00

11.2.9 Letter – Department of Mines and Petroleum – Big Bell
Operations Request to Mine Over Vermin Fence

11.2.10 E-Mail – David Burton – Mt Gibson and the Vermin Fence

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr J Jensen

Seconded: Cr G Scott

That the Outward and Inward Correspondence be received.

RESOLUTION 2011-10-12

CARRIED 5/0

12. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

13. OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

The Regional Conservation Association (RCA) has requested the MRVC have a representative on their committee to inform and round out vermin/wild dog issues. The Shire of Yalgoo has put forward a representative for the RCA and this representative, through Yalgoo MRVC Councillors, will keep the MRVC informed.

Moved: Cr G Scott

Seconded: Cr T Iturbide

Cr Jensen submitted a quote for stencilled 'kilometre signs' to be made and incorporated on the fence at kilometre intervals. These signs will replace the superseded mile pegs. The quote is for \$3511.00 plus GST.

Moved: Cr J Jensen

Seconded: Cr T Iturbide

Council will tender for the grading of the Payne's Find – Sandstone Rd South, on both sides of the fence and Payne's Find – Sandstone Road North, on the west side of the fence to ensure the task is carried out in a timely manner. Costs incurred that are not the responsibility of the MRVC will be on forwarded when and as they occur.

Moved: Cr T Iturbide

Seconded: Cr J Jensen

After consultation with Mark Clarence from Southern Wire it was decided that MRVC obtain a quote on the following:

- 12/115/15 "farm fence", plus 300mm footer - 200m rolls.
- 180cm Black fence posts, imported & heavy duty.
- 1.80mm Barbed Wire, High Tensile, Australian made – 500m rolls.
- 3m Dig-In Strainer Assemblies, box variety for start/finish points and angle varieties to suit 1km interval placement.
- Waratah steel post clips.

Mark advised he would include a price for 10mm peg steel lengths (not cut or curved), as potential footer anchors, where required.

All agreed black posts as opposed to galvanised will suffice for the entirety of the fence, however, in hard (granite, etc) country they must be cemented or slurried in.

MRVC will supply all materials and store at the Mt Magnet Shire Depot, tenders will be based on labour and incidentals, such as cement, fuel, etc.

Moved: Cr G Scott

Seconded: Cr J Jensen

14. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held on Tuesday 08 November 2011.

15. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The President declared the meeting closed at 12:25pm.

16. CERTIFICATION OF CHAIRMAN

Confirmed this 8th day of November 2011
