

18 December 2018

Annual Electors Meeting

Eighty-nine people attended the Shire of Esperance's Annual Electors Meeting last night. The meeting gave electors an opportunity to raise motions for Council to consider at a subsequent meeting, a chance to ask questions about the Annual Report 2017/2018 and to ask questions about any other general business. Six motions were raised from the floor as below, all of which were carried.

Motion 1

Moved – Kaj Nieukerke

Seconded – Kevin O'Dwyer

Motion of no confidence in the CEO and to direct Council to terminate his contract immediately.

Motion 2

Moved – Kaj Nieukerke

Seconded – Brian Pearce

That the rates increase for 2019/2020 be kept at the CPI.

Motion 3

Moved – Kaj Nieukerke

Seconded - Brian Pearce

That the salary increases for the senior staff, that is the CEO and its Directors, also be kept at CPI.

Motion 4

Moved – Mark Biven

Seconded – Kim Beale

That Council abandon Lot 12 Kirwan Road before more ratepayer's funds are wasted and focus on finding a site with suitable hydrology and geology that ideally embraces all elements of the triple bottom line.

Motion 5

Moved – Kaj Nieuwerkerke

Seconded - Merv Andre

That elected members of Council, that their allowances be reviewed only after they have completed their training and be frozen for the duration of their time on Council.

Motion 6

Moved – Karen Milligan

Seconded – Annie Smith

That Council do something different to fix the fracture in the community, and work on a community development process to try and get this community working together in tough times.

Shire President Victoria Brown, “There was a good attendance at the Annual Electors Meeting, with motions and questions on a variety of topics. Members of our community want to be involved and informed in community matters. I would like to thank everyone who attended the meeting.

“We will discuss the motions put forward and determine when they will be addressed, whether that be at a Special Council Meeting, or the January Ordinary Council Meeting.”

The Minutes of the meeting will be available on the Shire’s website in the next 10 days.

Ends

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