REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOYDER

Minutes of the meeting of the Goyder Fire Prevention Advisory Committee held on 24th May 2017 in the Council Meeting Room, 1 Market Square, Burra, commencing at 8.00 pm.

1. ATTENDANCE
Cr. John Neal (Chairperson), Barry Richards (Fire Prevention Officer), Merv Robinson (Hallett CFS Group), Cr Peter Mattey (Mayor),

1.1 Welcome
Chairman welcomed all present

1.2 Apologies
Nil

1.3 Quorum Present

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved: Merv Robinson  Seconded:  Peter Mattey

GFPAC/1/17 That the minutes of the meeting held 26/10/2016 be confirmed as read.

CARRIED

2.2 Business Arising

2.2(a) Discussions regarding State owned and Commonwealth owned land difficult to have mitigated in a timely fashion, quite a few other Councils are having similar problems and the current procedure is too long winded and residents are upset about the double standards. Peter said he would raise the matter with the Local Government Association (LGA) at the next meeting.

2.2(b) John asked about the meeting of Authorised Officers, Barry explained that it went ahead in conjunction with Region 4 Regional Fire Prevention Officer RFPO) at Council offices in Goyder. There was a good turnout and a few issues were raised and cleared up.

2.2(c) NIL

3. CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Incoming

Receipt of a notification that Flinders, Mid North and Yorke Bushfire Management Committee (FMNYBMC) Area Plan was submitted to the State Bushfire Co-ordination Committee (SBCC) for endorsement. Objections were received from the nominees of the Conservation Council SA and the Native Vegetation Council respectively. The ETRG Sub Group is requested to brief the SBCC on the progress of the plan to ensure Environmental Assets are inserted into Bushfire Area Maps as soon as appropriate.

Barry received a request from Robertstown Country Fire Service (CFS) Brigade to endorse and write a support letter for a grant they have applied for to acquire a localised weather station so as not to be reliant on one at Clare.

A notification from Clare Fire Prevention Officer (FPO) who is working with Bonaventure Tan from Department Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) to try to short circuit problems with mitigation of DPTI properties in their area.

Light Council passed at their meeting a resolution to support a Motion Without Notice from Kapunda CFS and local Primary producers to allow broad-acre burning on weekends to take advantage of additional personnel being available at that time.
3.2 Outgoing
Barry advised that a letter of support on behalf of Council has been issued to Robertstown CFS regarding their bid to acquire a grant for a weather station.

4 BUSINESS ITEMS

4.1 General discussion about the season and the minimal amount of issues relating to fire episodes, although the weather was extraordinary, very few problems resulted from it.

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4.4 Other Business
Nil

5. Next Meeting
Next meeting scheduled for 27th September 2017 commencing 2000 hrs.

6. Close of Meeting
John Neal thanked everyone for their input and attendance and closed the meeting at 2115 hrs.