REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOYDER

Minutes of the meeting of the Goyder Fire Prevention Advisory Committee held on 19th September 2019 in the Council Meeting Room, 1 Market Square, Burra, commencing at 4.00 pm.

Attendance
Cr. John Neal (Chairperson), David J Stevenson (CEO), Lisa Jamieson (Fire prevention officer), Andy Thomas (Burra CFS Group), Merv Robinson (Hallett CFS Group), Cr. Bill Gebhardt.

Welcome
Chairperson welcomed all present

Apologies
Sonia Post (Regional Prevention Officer CFS)

Quorum Check
Quorum achieved

2. Minutes
The minutes from the previous meeting (held on 11/10/2018) were confirmed.

2.2 Business arising from previous minutes
Signs have been erected at Worlds End Reserve regarding camp fire safety. No issues have been identified within the reserve over the winter period.

3. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE
3.1 A letter has been received from the Robertstown CFS regarding roadside vegetation burning. This request is not supported by Council. Lisa to respond to Robertstown CFS in writing.

4. BUSINESS ITEMS
4.1 Election of Deputy Chairperson
Merv Robinson was unanimously elected as Deputy Chairperson

4.2 Bushfire outlook / commencement of 2019/2020 Fire Danger Season
There was a unanimous recommendation from the committee that the CFS commence the Fire Danger Season early again this year due to the advanced curing rate and dry winter season. Recommended date: 1st November 2019. Lisa to convey this information to the FMNYBMC meeting on 4th October 2019.

4.3 FMNYBMC information
Lisa will attend FMNYBMC meeting on 4th October 2019. The information received from the BMC is that the Bureau of Meteorology have predicted no / minimal rain predicted for the next 3 months.

4.4 Authorised Fire Permit Officers in the Goyder Region
Trevor Willis (Booborowie CFS) has resigned from his position as an Authorised Fire Permit Officer. It was discussed that the committee would like a replacement organised from his Brigade. Lisa to discuss this with Sonia Post and Quinton Kessner (CFS)

4.5 Fire tracks
Lisa to inspect the fire tracks. No maintenance is expected this year due to a second dry winter (no growth, no washouts etc).
4.6 **Arrangements in place for FPO’s maternity leave (Jan 2019 – March 2019)**
Sonia Post and Quinton Kessner have agreed to issue Schedule 10 fire permits for the region as required on Lisa’s behalf.
All fire hazard inspections / follow ups will be completed before Lisa goes on leave.
Lisa will attend FMNYBMC meeting on March 19th 2020.

4.7 **Other Business**
It appears that people have been lighting camp fires at the parking bay on the Barrier Highway (near the Booborowie turn off). Lisa to conduct a site visit and convey instructions to the works team to ensure the grass is kept to a minimal height to reduce a fire risk.

5. **Next Meeting**
Next meeting to be held in March 2019 (before the Flinders, Mid North, Yorke Bushfire Management Committee meeting on 19th March 2020).

6. **Close of Meeting**
John Neal thanked everyone for their input and attendance and closed the meeting at 5:05pm

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