

Minutes of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association Board Meeting held at Wudinna on Friday 2 September 2018 commencing at 10.01am.

Delegates Present:	Sam Telfer [Chair]	President, EPLGA
	Allan Suter	Mayor, District Council of Ceduna
	Bryan Trigg	Mayor, District Council of Cleve
	Kim Callaghan	Chairperson, District Council of Elliston
	Michael Williams	Deputy Mayor, District Council of Franklin Harbour [Proxy]
	Dean Johnson	Mayor, District Council of Kimba
	Julie Low	Mayor, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula
	Bruce Green	Mayor, City of Port Lincoln
	Travis Barber	Mayor, District Council of Streaky Bay
	Tom Antonio	Councillor, City of Whyalla [Proxy]
	Eleanor Scholz	Mayor, Wudinna District Council

Guests/Observers:	Tony Irvine	EO, EPLGA
	Geoff Ryan	Councillor, District Council of Ceduna
	George Karzis	Manager Corporate & Community Services, District Council Elliston
	Deb Larwood	CEO, District Council of Kimba
	Rod Pearson	CEO, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula
	Joy Hentschke	CEO, District Council of Streaky Bay
	Trevor Smith	CEO, District Council of Tumby Bay
	Chris Cowley	CEO, City of Whyalla
	Ned Luscombe	Deputy Mayor, Wudinna District Council
	Alan McGuire	CEO, Wudinna District Council
	Aina Danis	Executive Assistant, RDAWEP/EPLGA
	Dion Dorward	CEO/DoRD, RDAWEP
	Brad Riddle	Deputy CEO/DoRD, RDAWEP
	Mark Whitfield	Presiding Member, EPNRM Board
	Jonathan Clark	Regional Director, EPNRM Board
	Karen Hollamby	Regional Coordinator, PIRSA, Regions SA
	Ian Nightingale	Industry Advocate, Office of Industry Advocate
	Denise Loftus	Office of Industry Advocate
	Tony Piccolo	Shadow Minister for Planning & Local Government
	Tom Caunce	Adviser, Office of Tony Piccolo, MP
	Tim Gurney	General Manager-Operations, T-Ports
	Tim Scholz	Principle Advisory, Stakeholder Engagement, Iron Road

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Welcome/Apologies

Welcome by President Mayor Telfer.

Apologies received from:

Peter Arnold	CEO, District Council of Cleve
Lyn Breuer	Mayor, City of Whyalla
Clare McLaughlin	Deputy Mayor, City of Whyalla
Stephen Rufus	CEO, City of Port Lincoln
Phil Cameron	CEO, District Council of Elliston
Ben Taylor	Ag CEO, District Council of Ceduna

1.2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Confirmation of Minutes

040/18: Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: Mayor Trigg Seconded: Mayor Green

That the minutes of the Board meeting of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association held on Friday 29 June 2018, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

3. GENERAL REPORTS

3.1 President's Report – Mayor Telfer

041/18: President's Report
Moved: Chairperson Callaghan Seconded: Mayor Scholz
That the EPLGA Board accepts the President's Report.
CARRIED

As presented.

Special word of thanks to outgoing members Mayor Suter, Mayor Nield, Mayor Green, Mayor Low and the hard work and community leadership that is often under-estimated, in addition to their commitment to the Eyre Peninsula community during their tenure with the EPLGA.

3.2 Individual Council Activity Reports [2 minute summary]

› As presented.

Ian Nightingale and Denise Loftus joined the meeting at 10.35am.

Shadow Minister Tony Piccolo presented on various Local Government issues, focussing on rate capping.

Tony to set up time for Minister Piccolo meeting in Adelaide around the time of the LGA of SA Annual General meeting.

3.3 Executive Officer's Reports

3.3.1 Report No 1-0918: General Report

042/18: General Report
Moved: Mayor Johnson Seconded: Mayor Scholz
That the EPLGA Board accepts report # 01-0918 from the Executive Officer.
CARRIED

043/18: EPLGA Workforce Study
Moved: Mayor Suter Seconded: Mayor Green
That the EPLGA endorses and supports the LGA Research & Development funding applications for an Eyre Peninsula Local Government workforce study.
CARRIED

044/18: Acknowledgement of the passing of Mr. Merton Hodge
Moved: Mayor Low Seconded: Mayor Barber
1. That the EPLGA Board acknowledges the passing of Mr. Merton Hodge on 13 July 2018, a former Councillor of the City of Whyalla for 17.5 years and great supporter of the EPLGA.
CARRIED

045/18: Endorsement of SAROC Nominations
Moved: Mayor Suter Seconded: Mayor Low
2. That the EPLGA Board endorses the SAROC nominations of the President, Mayor Sam Telfer and Deputy President Mayor Dean Johnson.
CARRIED

3.3.2 Report No. 02-0918: Charter Alteration

046/18: Charter Alteration
Moved: Mayor Scholz Seconded: Mayor Suter
1. That the EPLGA Board accepts Report # 09-0618 from the Executive Officer.
2. That the EPLGA Board recommends to member Councils to support the following altered clauses of the EPLGA Board Charter reading as such:
CARRIED

1 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions

“**absolute majority**” means a majority of the whole number of the members of the Board or Constituent Councils, as the case may be.

“**Act**” means the Local Government Act 1999, as amended from time to time.

“**Board**” means the board of management of the EPLGA.

“**Board Member**” means at any time a member of the Board and, where the context so admits, includes a Deputy Board Member.

“**Budget**” means a budget that conforms to Clause 25 of Schedule 2 to the Act and last adopted by the Board.

“**Business Plan**” means a business plan that conforms to Clause 24 of Schedule 2 to the Act and last adopted by the Board.

“**Constituent Council**” means any Council that is from time to time a member of the EPLGA.

“**Council**” means a council as constituted under the Act.

“**Deputy Board Member**” means at any time a person appointed and holding office as a Deputy to a Board Member.

“**EPLGA**” means the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association.

“**Executive Officer**” means at any time a person appointed and holding office as Executive Officer of the EPLGA and includes that person’s deputy or a person acting in that position.

“**LGA**” means the Local Government Association of South Australia.

“**SAROC Committee**” means the SA Regional Organisation of Councils committee formally established through the LGA constitution.

“**SAROC Committee Representative**” means the representative of the EPLGA on the SAROC Committee.

10 LGA Board Membership and SAROC Committee Representative

10.1 Upon being elected the President and Deputy President shall automatically be appointed as SAROC Committee Representatives. .

10.2 If the President or Deputy President decline either or both of the appointments in clause 10.1 the Board shall call for nominations from persons for appointment to the vacant position and if there is more than one nomination for a position then the Board will elect a nominee to that position following a preferential election process.

10.3 The term of the SAROC Committee Representative positions will be the same as the term of the President and Deputy President who declined the position.



3.3.3 Report No. 03-0918: Committees' Terms of Reference

047/18: **Committees' Terms of Reference**

Moved: **Councillor Antonio** Seconded: **Mayor Scholz**

1. **That the EPLGA Board accepts report # 03-0918 from the Executive Officer.**
2. **That the EPLGA Board adopts the altered terms of reference for the Chief Executive Officers' Committee, with the Engineering & Works Committee being a sub-committee of the CEOs' Committee.**

CARRIED

3.3.4 Report No. 04-0918: Annual Work Plan

048/18: **Annual Work Plan**

Moved: **Councillor Antonio** Seconded: **Mayor Barber**

1. **That the EPLGA Board accepts report # 04-0918 from the Executive Officer.**
2. **That the EPLGA Board notes the progress of the Annual Work Plan for 2018-19.**

CARRIED

3.3.5 Report No. 05-0918: Meeting Actions Report

049/18: **Meeting Actions Report**

Moved: **Mayor Green** Seconded: **Mayor Suter**

1. **That the EPLGA Board accepts report # 05-0918 from the Executive Officer.**
2. **That the EPLGA Board notes the Meeting Actions Report.**

CARRIED

3.3.6 Report No. 06-0918: RDAWEP Funding Agreement Renewal

Mayor Suter, Councillor Antonio and Mayor Trigg declared their interest in RDAWEP as Board Members of the organisation.

050/18: **RDAWEP Funding Agreement Renewal**

Moved: **Mayor Green** Seconded: **Deputy Mayor Williams**

1. **That the EPLGA Board accepts report # 06-0918 from the Executive Officer.**
2. **That the EPLGA Board directs the EPLGA Executive Committee to commence RDAWEP funding agreement negotiations as soon as possible with a draft agreement to be brought to the February 2019 EPLGA Board meeting after being signed off individually by all member Councils.**

CARRIED

3.3.7 Report No. 07-0918: Waste Reduction

051/18: **Report # 07-0918**

Moved: **Mayor Barber** Seconded: **Councillor Antonio**

That the EPLGA Board accepts report # 07-0918 from the Executive Officer.

CARRIED

Moved: **Mayor Scholz** Seconded:

1. **That the EPLGA Board provides the following direction in relation to resolution #036/18 (Development of a Suite of Waste Reduction Programs) passed at the 29 June 2018 EPLGA Board meeting:**

The investigation is to:-

- a. **focus on food and green waste stream only;**
- b. **seek out existing or develop education programs for this stream of waste;**
- c. **survey other regional Councils to ascertain what they are undertaking in managing the food and green waste stream;**
- d. **use personal case studies in the final report like the Bryan Trigg family story; and**
- e. **determine funding sources that may be accessible to implement the strategies/recommendations that are agreed upon by the EPLGA Board and individual Council partnerships.**

2. **That the EPLGA Board also gives other direction that may be forthcoming from the discussion on this report like:**

- a. **Who is to take the lead in the investigation?**
- b. **How will the investigation be supported, e.g. working group, Engineering & Works Committee?**
- c. **What are the timelines for the investigation?**

- d. *What budget would be required (have additional project funds available – see budget v actual report – projects – rubble royalty funding)?*
- e. *Are all Councils committed – if not who is in, who is out – to possibly save the investigation time and effort?*

LAPSED for want of a Seconder.

Waste reduction deemed to be an individual Council issue, not regional.

3.3.8 Annual Report and Financial Statements

052/18: Annual Report and Financial Statements:

Moved: Mayor Low

Seconded: Mayor Johnson

1. *That the EPLGA Board accepts report # 08-0918 from the Executive Officer.*
2. *That the EPLGA Board adopts the 2017/18 EPLGA Annual Report.*

CARRIED

2.3.9 Transport Strategy Review

053/18: Transport Strategy Review

Moved: Mayor Trigg

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Williams

1. *That the EPLGA Board receives report # 09-0918 from the Executive Officer.*
2. *That the EPLGA Board engages SMEC to undertake a review of the EPLGA Transport Strategy at the quoted price of \$44,640, and that this project be funded through the 2018/19 budget allocation of \$10,000 and the balance up to \$45,000 from the current unallocated Regional Capacity Funding (ie Rubble Royalties).*

Further that the EPLGA resolves, pursuant to its Purchasing and Tendering Policy that other quotations need not be called for in this circumstance due to the following:

- *SMEC, through previous work in this planning area (i.e. since 2013), has accumulated substantial intellectual property, other data and information related to this project that other companies likely to be invited to quote would not possess and, as a result, would include added project costs associated with gaining such data. Further gleaning of this information by other companies would add to the timeline for the project and may not allow the region to have the regional road priorities before the SLRP application process, thus putting it at a disadvantage.*
- *SMEC's previous work has been of a high standard and to the satisfaction of the EPLGA.*
- *SMEC has far more knowledge of the region's road network due to previous work in comparison to other companies like to quote for the work.*
- *SMEC has developed good working relationships with all member Councils' operational staff and is familiar with their operations and road network.*
- *SMEC has recently been working with DPTI and the EP Freight Strategy, which adds to their understanding of the regional context and future network demands.*

CARRIED

3.4 Local Government Association of SA

No report tabled.

LGA Topical Reports as distributed to all member Councils by the Executive Officer.

3.5 Regional Development Australia Whyalla & Eyre Peninsula (Dion Dorward)

As presented.

Ian Nightingale presented on the South Australian Industry Participation Policy Framework.

054/18: South Australian Government Industry Participation Policy and Guidelines Implementation

Moved: Councillor Antonio

Seconded: Mayor Barber

That the CEOs' Committee investigate actions necessary to support the implementation of the South Australian Government Industry Participation Policy and Guidelines and report on the outcomes of the investigation to the EPLGA Board

CARRIED

055/18: Procurement Process

Moved: Mayor Trigg

Seconded: Mayor Johnson

That the EPLGA Board supports unbundling of State and Federal Government supply contracts, e.g. education, health, defence, etc. to enable greater local industry participation and supply.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.34pm and reconvened at 1.10pm.

Tim Gurney presented an update on the Lucky Bay Port facility.

3.7 Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board (Jonathan Clark)

As presented.

3.8 Other Reports/Minutes

3.8.1 South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils

Minutes as distributed to all member Councils by the Executive Officer.

4 COMMITTEES

4.1 CEO's Committee

056/18: CEOs' Committee – Actions/Notes

Moved: Mayor Green Seconded: Mayor Johnson

That the Actions/Notes from the Chief Executive Officers' meeting dated 28 June 2018 be noted.

CARRIED

Overview of the meeting held on Thursday 6 September 2018 by CEO Deb Larwood.

4.2 Engineering & Works Committee

057/18: Engineering & Works Committee – Actions/Notes

Moved: Chairperson Callaghan Seconded: Mayor Johnson

That the Actions/Notes from the Engineering & Works Committee dated 28 June 2018 be noted.

CARRIED

4.3 EP Mineral and Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce

4.4 Executive Committee

No report tabled.

5. FINANCE REPORTS

10-0918: Financial Report

Receipt of Finance Reports

058/18: Finance Reports

Moved: Mayor Suter Seconded: Mayor Low

1. That the EPLGA Board receives report # 10-0918 from the Executive Officer.

2. That the EPLGA Board adopts the financial accounts for the year ending 30 June 2018 and further declares that:

- the financial statements and notes present fairly the association's financial situation as at 30 June 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements;*
- in the Board's opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and*
- the Board authorises the President and Executive Officer to sign the Board Certificate contained within the financial statements.*

3. That the EPLGA Board notes the 2017-18 Budget Performance Statement as at 30 June 2018 (after audit).

4. ***That the EPLGA Board receives the Balance Sheet, Budget Comparison Report and the Budget Comparison Summary Report 2018-2019, all as at 24 August 2018 with amended estimated budgets.***

CARRIED

6. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Deputations/Presentations

6.1.1 Ian Nightingale, Industry Advocate, Office of Industry Advocate

As presented earlier in the meeting.

6.1.2 Tony Piccolo MP, Shadow Minister for Planning & Local Government

As presented earlier in the meeting.

6.1.3 Tim Gurney, General Manager-Operations, CEO, T-Ports

As presented earlier in the meeting.

6.2 Petitions

Nil.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS – Motions on Notice & Without and Questions

7.1 From the floor – Motions on Notice and Without and Questions

Newstart Allowance

Moved: Chairperson Callaghan Seconded: Mayor Barber

That the EPLGA:

- 1. notes that the low rate of the Newstart allowance is exacerbating poverty and homelessness, and the disproportionate effect this has on most regional and remote communities, including communities throughout the Eyre Peninsula;***
- 2. calls on the Commonwealth Government to increase the Newstart allowance to the level of the Henderson Poverty Line: and***
- 3. will publicly advocate in writing to the relevant Federal Government Ministers and to all South Australian Federal MHRS and Senators that the Newstart allowance be increased. Further that copies of the letter be sent to all media outlets in South Australia.***

MOTION LOST

059/18: Upgrade of the Finlayson to Gawler Ranges to Kingoonya Road

Moved: Mayor Barber Seconded: Chairperson Callaghan

That the EPLGA lobby the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure South Australia to upgrade the Finlayson to Gawler Ranges to Kingoonya Road to open up the Eyre Peninsula to tourism, services and freight in conjunction with the Eyre Peninsula Road Transport Strategy.

CARRIED

7.2 Motion on Without Notice/Questions from the Floor

Mayor Green raised the issue of lobbying into the future combined view the remuneration tribunal.

Mayor Scholz declared an interest due to working at the Wudinna TAFE campus and left the meeting.

060/18: Closure of Wudinna TAFE Campus

Moved: Chairperson Callaghan Seconded: Deputy Mayor Williams

That the EPLGA Board lobbies the State Government to reconsider its decision to close the Wudinna TAFE campus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Scholz re-joined the meeting.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Correspondence for Decision

1-0918: Dion Dorward, CEO/DoRD, RDAWEP: Local Council Road Manager Liability and advice received from the Eyre Peninsula Agriculture Advisory Group, along with a recommendation that a coordinated state-wide response be issued to the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure.

061/18: Road Risk Management and Funding Issues to the LGA Board

Moved: Mayor Green

Seconded: Chairperson Callaghan

That the EPLGA representatives on SAROC continue to bring the road risk management and funding issues to the LGA Board's notice.

CARRIED

2-0918: Bryan Trigg, Chair, RDAWEP: Notification of the newly appointed Board of RDAWEP, including the process undertaken to select the most appropriate candidates.

062/18: RDAWEP Board Membership/Regional Initiatives

Moved: Mayor Low

Seconded: Chairperson Callaghan

That the EPLGA Board notes the RDAWEP Board membership and encourages member Councils to engage with the new RDAWEP Board members to identify initiatives that will deliver economic growth and make a lasting difference to their communities and the region.

CARRIED

3-0918: Stephen Smith, Director Policy, LGA of SA: Requesting advice on whether or not the EPLGA region provides in-principle support to undertake the development of local heritage listing policies and procedures in addition to providing a financial contribution towards the project.

063/18: Local Heritage Listing Policies and Procedures Project

Moved: Mayor Green

Seconded: Mayor Suter

Due to financial pressures on the EPLGA budget as a result of reduced grant funding, it is unable to provide any funding towards the project.

CARRIED

4-0918: Joy Hentschke, CEO, District Council of Streaky Bay: Request for inclusion in the EPLGA agenda of Council's motion, being:
"That the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association [EPLGA] lobby the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure South Australia to upgrade the Finlayson to Gawler Ranges to Kingoonya Road to open up the Eyre Peninsula to tourism, services and freight in conjunction with the Eyre Peninsula Road Transport Strategy".

Resolved under agenda item 7.1.2.

5-0918: Alex Douglas, Director Works & Infrastructure, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula: Letter of concern on the future of the Supplementary Road Funds, along with a recommendation that the EPLGA take the issue up with the Federal Member for Eyre, the Hon Rowan Ramsey MP and the LGASA through SAROC.

064/18: LGTAP Current Terms of Reference, Guidelines, Policy and Processes/Continuation of Supplementary Road Funding

Moved: Mayor Low

Seconded: Mayor Trigg

That the EPLGA supports the LGTAP current Terms of Reference, Guidelines, Policy and Processes for the distribution of the Special Local Roads Program, which dictates how road funding is distributed.

CARRIED

8.3 Incoming & Outgoing Correspondence

As listed within the agenda.

065/18: Letter of Acknowledgement to Roger Nield

Moved: Mayor Johnson

Seconded: Mayor Green

That the EPLGA write a letter of appreciation to Roger Nield for his service to the EPLGA and community of Cleve.

CARRIED

066/18: Incoming/Outgoing Correspondence
Moved: Mayor Johnson Seconded: Mayor Green
That all incoming and outgoing correspondence listed in the agenda be noted.
CARRIED

9 FUTURE MEETINGS

067/18: Next Meeting
Moved: Mayor Low Seconded: Deputy Mayor Williams
That the next meeting of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association Board will be held on Friday 7 December 2018 at Wudinna, commencing at 10.00am.
CARRIED

Mayor Low thanked fellow members for their friendships, guidance and leadership during her tenure with Local Government.

Conference Location Rotation

2019	Kimba	2020	Wudinna	2021	Cowell
2022	Cleve	2023	Streaky Bay	2024	Elliston

Meeting closed at 2.50pm.

Vice President

Date
