



Paroo Wild Dog Advisory Committee

Minutes
17 June 2009

OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting commenced at 9.25a.m

ATTENDANCE

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| Peter Lucas | Chairman & Area Rep, Wyandra |
| Don Dunsdon | Councillor, Paroo Shire Council |
| Anthony White | Stock Routes Officer, Paroo Shire Council |
| Stephen Downey | Department of Primary Industries |
| Neville Haig | Area Rep, Nebine |
| Kym Williams | Area Rep, Wyandra |
| Stuart Barkla | Area Rep, Noorama |
| Dan McCudden | Department of Primary Industries |
| Shane Warner | Area Rep, Eulo |

APOLOGIES

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| Jo Sheppard | Mayor, Paroo Shire Council |
| Andy Higgins | Area Rep, Eulo |
| Glen White | Area Rep Noorama |
| Phil Brownhalls | Area Rep Nebine |

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved Stuart Barkla seconded Don Dunsdon that the Minutes of the Meeting of 20 February 2009 are taken as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

REPORTS

Peter Lucas chairman and area report

Peter Lucas presented a Verbal report on our own area (Attached)

Steven Downey: Department of Primary Industries

Steve Downey presented his report.

The figures show that the number of sightings of dogs is down since the last baiting in Oct/Nov 08.

Overall Steve is content with the process of how it is all going but did express that there needs to be more communication with the land owners.

Moved Stuart Barkla seconded Kym Williams that the current freezer be fixed and moved to the Councils Depo.

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Don Sallway (Contractor) Trapping Report

Peter Lucas presented a report on behalf on Don Sallway (Attached)

Peter suggested that they might have to look at getting more trappers.

Shane Warner area report

Shane Warner presented his report

Shane said that there had been no sightings since last baiting; He also agreed with Steve Downey that there needs to be more communication with land owners. Shane had to remind some land owners that the baiting wasn't there to be used as insurance but for actual sightings of dogs and not foxes or pigs. Overall Shane is content with the process of how it is all going.

Phil Brownhalls area report

Peter Lucas presented an emailed report on behalf of Phil Brownhalls. (Attached)

After the emailed report was reported, a decision was made on behalf of the Committee for Peter Lucas Chairman to write a letter to Phil Brownhalls regarding the meat being discarded.

Moved Stuart Barkla seconded Shane Warner that the Committee wasn't happy that the meat was discarded and wasted.

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Baiting Dates.

Last year this was held on 11th May. This year the baiting campaign will be held on the 26th October 2009

It was suggested by the Committee for Peter Lucas to see Mayor Jo Sheppard to add the next date of Baiting into the Paroo Review.

Moved Shane Warner seconded Neville Haig that the baiting campaign be held on the 26th October 2009

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GENERAL BUSINESS

Buying meat in bulk works out a lot cheaper

Stuart Barkla asked what was better to use, injected or rolled heart. Anthony White added that the dogs lick the meat first then eat; once the meat has been licked there is enough poison on it for it to do its job

A question was asked by Shane Warner Area Rep, Eulo how much more expensive would it be to have mixed meat.

Shane Warner and Anthony White are going to ask the Local roo shooters if they were interested in supplying roo meat.

The purchase of buying more meat was left on hold until Shane Warner and Anthony White had purchased some quotes.

It was suggested by Cr Don Dunsdon that Peter Lucas Chairman see Mayor Jo Sheppard that he put in a report into our monthly Paroo Review.

Budget

There is no meat left since the last Baiting, the Committee require more meat to purchase from the Council.

Moved Shane Warner seconded Neville Haig that Anthony White to speak to CEO Mark Watt to use some remaining budget to relocate and repair the freezer box and have it filled with meat.

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Invited guest speaker Greg Mifsud from DPI

Greg presented the Committee with aerial maps that showed dog activity within our shire; a new toxin called PAPP which could be an alternative to 1080.

NEXT MEETING

It was resolved that the next meeting be held in February 2010 at a date to be advised.

MEETING CLOSED

The meeting closed at 12.15pm