

MINUTES

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

9:45am Thursday 20 June 2024
43-51 Tanunda Road, Nuriootpa SA 5355

1. Meeting of the Board

1.1 Welcome by the GRFMA Chairperson

Mr Lino Di Lerna formally welcomed Board Members, Deputy Board Members, Observers and the Executive Officer and opened the 150th meeting of the Board. This being Mr Di Lerna's first meeting as GRFMA Chairperson.

1.2 Present

- Mr Lino Di Lerna, Independent Board Member, Chair
- Cr Terry-Anne Keen, Adelaide Plains Council, Board Member
- Mr Thomas Jones, Adelaide Plains Council, Deputy Board Member
- Cr Malcolm Herrmann, Adelaide Hills Council, Board Member (joined online)
- Mr Ashley Curtis, Adelaide Hills Council, Board Member
- Cr Bruce Preece, The Barossa Council, Board Member
- Mr Jake McVicar, The Barossa Council, Board Member
- Cr Paul Koch, Town of Gawler, Board Member
- Cr Brian Sambell, Town of Gawler, Deputy Board Member
- Ms Whendee Young, Town of Gawler, Board Member
- Cr Michael Phillips-Ryder, Light Regional Council, Board Member (joined online)
- Mr Richard Dodson, Light Regional Council, Board member
- Cr Clint Marsh, City of Playford, Board Member
- Mr Greg Pattinson, City of Playford, Board Member
- Mr David Hitchcock, Executive Officer

Guests:

- Cate Hart, Executive Director Environment Heritage and Sustainability, Department of Environment and Water
- Katharine Ward, Senior Project Manager Flood Management, Department of Environment and Water
- Ed Pikusa, Senior Project Manager Flood Management, Department of Environment and Water
- Shaun Fielding, Stormwater Planner, City of Playford

Mr Lino Di Lerna provided an update on his induction and the issues he has been working on since he commenced as Chair.

1.3 Apologies

- Mr James Miller, Adelaide Plains Council, Board Member

1.4 Appointment of Observers

Nil

1.5 Declarations of Interest

Cr Malcolm Herrmann declared a general conflict of interest in Item 8.2 Draft 2024/2025 Budget Dispute and will remain in the meeting room.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

2.1 GRFMA Ordinary Meeting Minutes

GB33/24 **GRFMA Ordinary Meeting Minutes**
Moved: Mr Greg Pattinson
Seconded: Cr Bruce Preece

That the Minutes of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Board meeting held on 18 April 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 GRFMA Confidential Meeting Minutes

Nil

2.3 Actions on Previous Resolutions

GB34/24 **Actions on Previous Resolutions**
Moved: Cr Bruce Preece
Seconded: Mr Richard Dodson

That the actions on previous resolutions were accepted and noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil

3. Questions on Notice

Nil

4. Motions on Notice

Nil

5. Presentations

Presentation provided at Item 8.1.

6. Audit and Risk Committee

6.1 GRFMA Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes 4/6/2024

GB35/24 **GRFMA Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Minutes 4/6/2024**
Moved: Cr Paul Koch
Seconded: Cr Clint Marsh

That the GRFMA receives the minutes of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 4/06/2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Technical Assessment Panel

Nil

8. Reports

8.1 Gawler River Flood Management Business Case

Ms. Cate Hart and Ms. Katharine Ward provided a presentation to update the Board on the Business Case.

10:00am Jake McVicar left the meeting.

10:29am Ms. Whendee Young arrived at the meeting.

GB36/24 **Gawler River Flood Management Business Case**
Moved: Mr Greg Pattinson
Seconded: Cr Clint Marsh

That the GRFMA:

- 1. Acknowledges, with thanks, assistance from the Department of Environment and Water in maintaining momentum of work progressing completion of the Gawler River Flood Management Business Case.*
- 2. Notes the status of the actions being taken to advance completion of the Business Case.*
- 3. Directs that peer review of the suitability of all options as outlined in Report 8.1 of the 20 June 2024 GRFMA meeting be undertaken prior to any further consideration.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10:50am Ms. Cate Hart, Ms. Katharine Ward and Mr. Ed Pikusa left the meeting.

The Chairperson sought leave of the meeting to change the agenda's order of business for Item 8.2 to be deferred until after Item 10.1.

8.3 Statement of Achievements Against the Annual Business Plan

GB37/24 **Statement of Achievements Against the Annual Business Plan**
Moved: Cr Terry-Anne Keen
Seconded: Mr Richard Dodson

That the GRFMA adopts the Statement of Achievements Against the Annual Business Plan document.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 Financial Report and BR3

GB38/24 Financial Report and BR3

Moved: Cr Malcolm Herrmann

Seconded: Cr Clint Marsh

That the GRFMA:

1. *Receives the financial report as of 31 May 2024 showing a cash at bank balance of \$90,989.44.*
2. *Notes internal cash lending for CAD offset is \$38,925.*
3. *Adopts the GRFMA 2023/2024 Budget Review 3 documents May 2024, and the variances contained as its amended and current budget for the period ended 30 June 2024.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5 Executive Officer Report

11:05am Jake McVicar returned to the meeting.

11:06am Cr Michael Phillips-Ryder left the meeting.

GB39/24 Executive Officer Report

Moved: Cr Malcolm Herrmann

Seconded: Mr Greg Pattinson

That the GRFMA Board receives the report and:

1. *Cancels all exiting Authority to Operate GRFMA Business Account, Bank SA, authorisations for the following persons:*
 - *Mr Ian Baldwin*
 - *Mr Denis Davey*
 - *Mr Andrew Philpott*
2. *Appoints the following authorised persons for Authority to Operate GRFMA Business Account, Bank SA, with the requirement that any two authorised persons are to authorise and submit payments:*
 - *Mr Carmelo Di Lernia*
 - *Cr Terry Anne Keen*
 - *Cr Bruce Raymond Preece*
 - *Mr David Elton Hitchcock*
3. *Agrees that maintenance of internal roadways as per Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam maintenance program cost 2023-2032 be deferred until the 2025/26 financial year.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Correspondence

Nil

10. Confidential

10.1 Gawler River Flood Mitigation Business Case - Funding Strategy

GB40/24 Gawler River Flood Mitigation Business Case - Funding Strategy

Moved: Cr Clint Marsh

Seconded: Mr Richard Dodson

That:

1. Pursuant to Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, an Order is made that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting.

In order to consider in confidence agenda item 10.1. Gawler River Flood Management Business Case – Funding Strategy, pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) (i) (II) of the Local Government Act 1999 on the basis of information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the GRFMA.

2. This matter is confidential because the information herein provides information regarding consideration of flood mitigation infrastructure and funding of considered works.
3. On the basis of this information, the principle that meetings of the GRFMA should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in this instance: the Committee consider it necessary to consider this matter in confidence.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11:10am the confidential session commenced.

GB41/24 Gawler River Flood Mitigation Business Case - Funding Strategy

Moved: Ms Whendee Young

Seconded: Cr Terry-Anne Keen

That:

1. Pursuant to Section 90(2) and Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the GRFMA orders that the following aspects of item 10.1 Gawler River Flood Management Business Case- Funding Strategy be kept confidential in accordance with the GRFMA Boards reasons to deal with this item in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) (i) (II) of the Local Government Act 1999:
 - Discussion undertaken for Item 10.1
2. This order shall operate until reviewed and determined as part of the annual review by the Authority in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11:19am the confidential session concluded.

8.2 Draft GRFMA 2024/25 Budget – Dispute

GB42/24 Draft GRFMA 2024/25 Budget – Dispute

Moved: Mr Greg Pattinson

Seconded: Cr Clint Marsh

That the GRFMA:

- 1. Endorses pursuit of dispute resolution regarding the Draft GRFMA 2024/25 Budget in accordance with Report 8.2 of the 20 June 2024 GRFMA Meeting.*
- 2. Chairperson, Mr Lino Di Lernia be authorised to call a special meeting of the Authority, as appropriate, to consider any further draft 2024/25 Annual Business Plan and Budget matters.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Urgent Matters Without Notice

Ms Whendee Young provided a brief update on questions and support received from her Council in relation to the GRFMA Dam and Business Case.

12. Next Meeting

Date: 15 August 2024

Host: Town of Gawler

13. Closure

The Chairperson thanked the members for their attendance and contributions and closed the meeting at 11:57am.

Chair _____ Date _____