



South Gippsland Water

December 2011

1. AT THE MEETING

Thursday 15th of December 2011 – Head Office, 14-18 Pioneer St. Foster.

Directors: Joan Liley [Chair]
John Anderson
Jim Fawcett
Kim McGrath
Chris Badger
Anna Kilborn
David Schultz
Steve Evans [Managing Director]

Visitors - Dr Ron Ben-David, Chairman Essential Services Commission
& Staff: - Relevant Managers and Officers in attendance as required.

The Board the Chair expressed a heartfelt thanks to the Retiring Managing Director, Steve Evans for his service to South Gippsland Water and wished him the best of luck in retirement.

2. STRATEGIC DISCUSSION

2.1 Water Plan 3

South Gippsland Water is currently in the planning stages of the Water Plan 3. Dr Ron Ben-David Chairman of the Essential Services Commission attended the meeting and provided comments on the Commission's expectations in regard to the development of SGW's Plan

2.2 Water Supply Demand Strategy

Lance Creek – Korumburra – Poowong Pipeline Alignment

South Gippsland Water Technical Services Group have completed preliminary investigations into pipeline alignments from Lance Creek reservoir to Korumburra and Poowong's clear water storage facilities in line with the Draft Water Supply Demand Strategy for these systems. The Manager Technical Services provided an overview of investigations completed to date and preliminary pipeline alignment(s) from Korumburra to Leongatha were presented to the Board.

2.3 Strategic Risk Planning Update

South Gippsland Water has implemented a framework to facilitate the development of the Corporation's strategic risk profile, risk action plan, risk monitoring process and risk management reporting.

The objectives of the strategic risk profile framework is to:

- Identify, prioritise and manage business risks
- to ensure key strategic risks are being monitored and adequately addressed
- meet SG Water's whole of government risk management obligations

The Board was presented a report that outlined the processes followed in developing the strategic risk profile, and a summarised updated.

3. CAPITAL WORKS UPDATE

The Board received an update on the status and progress of a range of water supply, and wastewater works currently underway. These included the Meeniyan Sewerage Scheme, Poowong Loch Nyora Sewerage Scheme, and the Toora Clear Water Storage Tank.

4. POLICIES DISCUSSED

The Board adopted policies on:-

- PCO – 012 Privacy Policy
- POH – 002 First Aid Policy
- POH – 003 Workers Compensation Policy
- POH – 004 Rehabilitation and Return to Work Policy

5. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

5.1 Occupational Health & Safety [OH&S]

The monthly Occupational Health and Safety report for November 2011 was presented to the Board. It was noted that there were no OH&S injury incidents reported for the month.

The OHS staff consultancy committee met and discussed a number of topics during November including;

- Safe meter changing and the possible risks
- Safely driving around reservoirs and lagoons
- Formation of a SGW walking group
- Strategies for working in hot conditions.

5.2 Wastewater

South Gippsland Water has an ongoing tree root cutting program for all wastewater systems with the aim of decreasing the likelihood of sewer spills occurring. Additional efforts are currently being made in Wonthaggi and Inverloch due to the increased number of tree root blockages that have occurred in these systems.

A sewer relining program has also commenced in the following areas:

- Toorak Rd (Ayr Creek Reserve) Inverloch
- Across White Road and in laneway between White Road and Gordon Street, Wonthaggi.