



## ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Wednesday, 19 December 2018

at

3:50pm

at

Walcha Council Chambers

**PRESENT:** Clr EH Noakes (Chairman) Mayor together with Councillors PR Blomfield, KW Ferrier, WJ Heazlett, JM Kealey, SJ Kermode, CM Lyon and RL Wellings.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr JG O'Hara, General Manager and Mr DJM Reeves, Director – Engineering Services.

**1. APOLOGIES:**

Nil.

**2. CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2018:**

92 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Ferrier that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 29 November 2018, copies of which have been distributed to all members, be taken as read and confirmed a **TRUE** record.

MINUTES



**3. BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**5. MAYORAL MINUTE**

93 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Mayor Noakes that the NSW Government be called upon to ensure that 100% of the levy arising from Section 88 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 be used for waste infrastructure and programs, predominantly by local government and the waste sector, for initiatives such as:

- ◆ development of regional and region-specific solutions for sustainable waste management (eg: soft plastic recycling facilities, green waste, waste to energy).
- ◆ Support innovative solutions to reduce waste and waste transport requirements.
- ◆ Protect existing and identify new waste management locations.
- ◆ Local community waste recovery and repair facilities.
- ◆ Funding a wider range of sustainability initiatives, such as marketing and strategies, that promote and support a circular economy.

**Change of Order:**

94 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Ferrier that the Order of Business be altered to bring the Matter of Urgency Items through first.

**8. MATTERS OF URGENCY**

Clr Lyon raised the sealing of the Brackendale Road as a matter of Urgency.

95 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Wellings that the matter of Brackendale Road be discussed as a matter of urgency.  
It was ruled by the Chairperson to be a matter of urgency.

It was **MOVED** Councillor Lyon **SECONDED** Councillor Wellings that Council seal the section of road from the Brackendale Church to Joe Mansfield, this will join up the section from Joe Mansfield to McCloud Creek which is already sealed. Council has committee in excess of \$3.5 million to extra town infrastructure projects (1.2 million preschool, 835 thousand Showgrounds function centre, 1.5 million gym, pool, kiosk and community shed. Rural roads have always been one of the top items that our ratepayers feel Council could do more to improve Furthermore as stated by GM at our last meeting Council's financial position is quiet healthy (Council moved \$2 million from the General Working funds to Internal Restricted Asset funds) I feel



Council is in a position where we not only need to do this project but we owe it to our rural ratepayers to do.

On being to the **VOTE** the **Motion** was **LOST**.

**6. SENIOR OFFICERS REPORT**

96 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Ferrier that the Senior Officers' Reports be **RECEIVED** for further consideration.

**6.1 Request for Sponsorship – Bobby Jack’s Festival Inc WO/2018/02718**

**Motion:**

It was **MOVED** Councillor Kealey **Seconded** Clr Wellings that Council agree to sponsorship of \$1,500 towards the Bobby Jack’s Festival with the cost to be funded from the Tourism vote.

An **Amendment** was **MOVED** Clr Blomfield **Seconded** Clr Wellings that Council agree to sponsorship of \$3,000 towards the Bobby Jack’s Festival with the cost to be funded from the Tourism vote.

The **Amendment** on being put to the **VOTE** was **LOST**.

97 The **Original Motion** was then put to the **VOTE** and **CARRIED**.

**6.2 Request for Exemption – Public Gates (Ramps) Policy WO/2018/02711**

98 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Ferrier that Council grant an exemption from the Public Gates (Ramps) Policy on this occasion and allow the request.

**6.3 Council Decision on the Administration of September 2020 Local Government Elections WO/2018/02724**

99 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Kermode that Walcha Council ('the Council') resolves:

1. Pursuant to S.296(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) ('the Act') that an election arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections of Council.
2. Pursuant to S.296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by S.18, that a Council poll arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all Council polls of the Council.
3. Pursuant to S.296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by S.18, that a constitutional referendum arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all constitutional referenda of the Council.



**6.4 Adoption of Preschool Fees for 2019**

**WO/2018/02727**

100 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Wellings that Council **ADOPT** the 2019 Preschool Fees below, as advertised.

◆ Equity Children	\$ 4:00 per day
◆ Non-equity 4 year olds	\$13:00 per day
◆ Non-equity 3 year olds	\$22.00 per day
◆ Additional day (3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> )	\$30.00 per day
◆ Extended Hours 8:00am to 8:30am	\$ 6:00 per day
◆ Extended Hours 4:00pm to 5:00pm	\$12:00 per day
◆ Enrolment Fee	\$25:00 yearly
◆ Late Fee (pick up after closing time)	\$25:00 per occasion

**7. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil.

**9. MANAGEMENT REVIEW REPORTS**

**WO/2018/02715**

101 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Kermode that items including in the Management Review Report, numbered 9.1 to 9.12 inclusive, be **NOTED** by Council.

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**10.1 Minutes of the Rural Women's Gathering Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Hamilton Street, Walcha on Monday, 12 November 2018.**

**WI/2018/14285**

**10.2 Minutes of the Walcha Council Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Hamilton Street, Walcha on Tuesday, 27 November 2018.**

**WO/2018/02633**

**4.5 Irish Town – Concerns**

102 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Kermode that Council consider erecting stock exclusion fencing around Irish Town with the permission sought from owner, Jim Nivison.

**4.6 Mobile Billboard Proposal**

103 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Wellings that Council consider the offer of Rob Dale to place a 6D Design promotional signage on their Pantex trucks in the 2019/2020 tourism budget.

**11. DELEGATE REPORTS**

**11.1 Delegate Report from Cllr WJ Heazlett – New South Wales Public Libraries Switch 2018 Conference in Coffs Harbour from Wednesday, 28 November 2018.**

**WI/2018/15027**



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**MATTERS OF URGENCY:**

Clr Lyon raised the finalisation of gymnasium design as a matter of urgency.

104 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Blomfield that the matter of Finalisation of the Gymnasium Design be discussed as a matter of urgency.

It was ruled by the Chairperson to be a matter of urgency.

105 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Lyon that:

- ◆ Option 3/2 will be followed as presented to Council
- ◆ \$40,000 to be set aside towards the construction of a parents room as detailed in the original grant;
- ◆ Tenders to be sought and options to be scaled to fit grant budget.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4:43PM.**