



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Tuesday, 18 December 2012

at

2.00pm

at

Walcha Council Chambers

PRESENT: Clr JM Archdale, (Chairman) Mayor together with Councillors KW Ferrier, WJ Heazlett, L Levingston, CM Lyon, SJ Schmutter, RS Thomson and MJ Woods.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr JG O'Hara (General Manager), Mr SC McCoy (Director - Engineering Services) and Mr GA Moran (Director - Environmental Services).

1. APOLOGIES:

Nil.

MINUTES



2. CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2012:

117 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Levingston that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 28 November 2012, copies of which have been distributed to all members, be taken as read and confirmed a **TRUE** record.

3. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item 6.5 Request for Sponsorship of Walcha Bushmen's Campdraft & Rodeo Association Inc Annual Rodeo and Campdraft in January 2013 WO/2012/01758

Clr Lyon declared a non-serious non pecuniary interest in this matter as his uncle is an executive of the Committee.

5. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil.

6. SENIOR OFFICERS REPORT

118 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Lyon that the Senior Officers' Reports be **RECEIVED** for further consideration.

6.1 Dust Suppression Program Priorities WO/2012/01729

119 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Heazlett that Council:

1. Review the dust suppression projects in conjunction with the timing of planned reseals for the next 10 years and that this review be carried out during the 2013/14 Budget process.
2. Update the Future Works Program accordingly.



6.2 Amendments to the Smoke Free Environment Act 2000 WO/2012/01729

Motion

It was **MOVED** Councillor Woods Seconded Councillor Thomson that Council monitor the implementation of the New Legislation for six months with a view to the possible signage requirements

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

6.3 NSW Independent Local Government Review Panel WO/2012/01700

The Report was **NOTED** by Council. It was decided that Council hold a Workshop on 1 February 2013 to formulate a response to the Discussion Paper. The Workshop will commence at 5:00pm.

AFTERNOON TEA

Council adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.25pm and resumed at 4:00pm.

6.4 Staff Flexible Work Arrangements WO/2012/01706

The Report was **NOTED** by Council.

120 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Woods and Levingston that Council congratulate the General Manager and the Senior Staff on the initiative.

6.5 Request for Sponsorship of Walcha Bushmen's Campdraft & Rodeo Association Inc Annual Rodeo and Campdraft in January 2013 WO/2012/01758

121 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Levingston that Council decline the donation request due to the fact that Council already supports all the beneficiaries that the Walcha Bushmen's Campdraft & Rodeo Association Inc.

6.6 Summary of Local Government & Shires Association of NSW Services WO/2012/01705

The Report was **NOTED** by Council.

LATE ITEMS:

1. Approval of Tree Destruction Application by Walcha Historical Society

The Director – Environmental Services has advised the Council Meeting that he has approved an application from the Historical Society to remove the two elm trees at their premises in Derby Street.



7. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil.

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Nil.

9. MANAGEMENT REVIEW REPORTS **WO/2012/01714**

122 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Woods and Lyon that items included in the Management Review Report, numbered 1 to 8 inclusive, be **NOTED** by Council.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

10.1 Minutes of the Walcha General Cemetery (Aboriginal Section) Improvements Steering Group held at the Council Chambers, Hamilton Street, Walcha on Monday, 26 November 2012. **WO/2012/01689**

11. DELEGATE REPORTS

11.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the New England Tablelands (Noxious Plants) County Council held in Armidale on Wednesday, 23 October 2012.

WO/2012/06317

11.2 Minutes of the North East Zone Public Libraries NSW Ordinary Meeting held at Taree City Library on Thursday, 29 October 2012. **WO/2012/06483**

123 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Lyon that Council write to the Minister of the Arts, the Hon George Souris, through Local Member calling upon the Government to implement the submission of the Library Council of NSW for the reform of the funding model for NSW Public Libraries.

12. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Nil.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4:42PM.