



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Tuesday, 16 December 2014

at

6:10pm

at

Walcha Council Chambers

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr JG O'Hara (General Manager), Mr GA Moran (Director – Environmental Services) and Mr Matthew Fanning (Director – Engineering Services).

1. APOLOGIES:

97 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Schmutter that the apology received from Clr Thomson, due to receiving medical treatment, be **ACCEPTED**.

MINUTES



2. CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2014:

98 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Levingston and Ferrier that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 26 November 2014, 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: 10.3 Minutes of the Walcha & District Town & Beautification Tidy Towns Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 10 December 2014

WO/2014/02409

Clr Woods declared a non-serious non-pecuniary interest in this item as her mother is a member of the Committee.

5. MAYORAL MINUTE

The Mayor congratulated Councillor Heazlett on being awarded life membership of the NSW Public Libraries Associations.

6. SENIOR OFFICERS REPORT

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

6.1 Annual Financial Statements 2013/2014

WO/2014/02367

100 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Ferrier that the report be **ADOPTED** by Council.

6.2 Fit for the Future Rural Councils Workshop Outcomes WO/2014/02406

101 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Lyon that Council suspend the Meeting to workshop Fit for the Future Rural Councils Model.



102 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Lyon that Council resume the Meeting.

103 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Lyon that Council prepare a submission as per the workshop that is the General Manager prepare the submission and circulate to Councillors for comment prior to submission.

6.3 Staces Fast Freight Delivery Truck Signs WO/2014/02382

104 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Levingston that Council sponsor the new truck signage for Staces Fast Freight at the cost of \$1,300 per sign/side to be funded from the Tourism contingency vote.

6.4 Request to Display and Distribute Information WO/2014/02405

It was **MOVED** Councillor Schmutter **SECONDED** Councillor Heazlett that Council not agree to the request.

A **FORESHADOWED MOTION** was **MOVED** by Councillor Woods that Council allow the proposal for a period of six months after which time it will be reviewed.

105 The **Original Motion** was put to the vote and **CARRIED**.

6.5 Apsley River Dam Water Supply Project WO/2014/02383

106 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Levingston and Ferrier that Council approach both Local, State and Federal Members of Parliament to develop strategies to accelerate the development of the project.

LATE REPORTS:

- 1. Request to use Lot 1 DP 1137046 to access the rear of 21E Fitzroy Street, Walcha WO/2014/02449**

107 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Lyon that Council approve the request by Barry Marshall to:

- Establish a Right of Carriageway over Lot 1 DP 1137046, three metres wide and located approximately 2200mm from the adjoining boundary and for approximately 32 metres in length (to the last car park).
- The applicant to be responsible for all legal costs of establishing the Right of Carriageway.



- The Right of Carriageway is to be sealed with a two coat bitumen seal on 200mm of road base.
- The applicant will not have exclusive rights over the Right of Carraigeway.
- Maintenance of the Right of Carriageway is the responsibility of the owners of Lot 1 DP 574019.
- A “TURN LEFT ONLY” sign is to be located at the exit of the Right of Carriageway.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil.

8. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil.

9. MANAGEMENT REVIEW REPORTS

WO/2014/02372

108 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Heazlett that items included in the Management Review Report, numbered 1 to 10 inclusive, be **NOTED** by Council.

Shakespeare on the Green

109 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Lyon that Council write and thank Ms Nena Hicks for her efforts in coordinating the production **FURTHER THAT** Council agree to sponsor the 2015 production in the amount of \$250.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

10.1 Minutes of the Australia Day Committee Meeting held on Monday, 3 December 2014. WI/2014/06802

10.2 Minutes of the Walcha Council Community Care Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 2 December 2014. WO/2014/02394

10.3 Minutes of the Walcha & District Beautification & Tidy Towns Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 10 December 2014. WO/2014/02409



3.2 Memorial Park – Planting of Gallipoli Tree

110 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Ferrier that Council and the Committee further consult with the Walcha RSL to find out whether planting a Palestine Oak (*Quercus calliprinos*) in the Park would be appropriate.

4.1 Tree Removal Application 53.2014.27 – Meridian Street – 3 Torulosa Conifers (eastern side, Fitzroy Street end)

111 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Ferrier that the three (3) medium conifer trees located on the footpath of Meridian Street be removed and a suitable replacement species be nominated at the next meeting.

4.2 Tree Removal Application 53.2014.25 – 3E Hill Street – Chinese Poplar

112 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Ferrier that Council consent to Tree Removal Application 53.2014.25 for the removal of the large Chinese Poplar located centrally in the yard of 3E Hill Street, Walcha.

4.3 Tree Removal Application 53.2014.28 – 218E Fitzroy Street – Gum on Road Reserve

113 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Ferrier that Council consent to the Tree Removal Application 53.2014.28 for the removal of a gum located on the nature strip of 218E Fitzroy Street, Walcha, as it is not a suitable street tree.

114 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Schmutter and Ferrier that Council consent to the removal of the partially fallen Conifer trees located within the yard of 218E Fitzroy Street, Walcha.

4.5 The purpose of the Walcha Town and District Beautification & Tidy Towns Committee

115 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Woods and Lyon that Council carry out a review of ALL its 355 Committees with a view to aligning the purpose of the Committees with the themes of the Community Strategic Plan.

Councillor Heazlett recorded his vote **AGAINST** this Motion.



11. DELEGATE REPORTS

11.1 Minutes of the Country Mayors Association of NSW General Meeting held in Sydney on Friday, 14 November 2014. WI/2014/06724

11.2 Minutes of the Country Mayors Association of NSW Annual General Meeting held in Sydney on Friday, 14 November 2014. WI/2014/06724

11.3 Minutes of the Mid North Weight of Loads Group Meeting held at Port Macquarie Hastings Shire Council on Thursday, 20 November 2014. WI/2014/07293

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7:48PM.