



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Wednesday, 16 December 2020

at

3.03pm

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: Mrs AD Moddero – General Manager, Mrs LJ Latham – Director Environment & Development, Mr PR Murray – Director Infrastructure and Mrs EL Hobbs – Executive Assistant.

1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil.

MINUTES



2. CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 2020:

139 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Wellings that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 November 2020, 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 6.2: Draft Walcha Council Youth Strategy

Clr Wellings declared a non-pecuniary non-significant interest in this matter as she was part of the process of forming the Strategy acting as a Councillor.

5. MAYORAL MINUTE

It was with great sadness that Councillors learnt of the passing of Bernard Lynch on Monday. A longtime employee of Council and skilled grader operator Bernard had been battling ill health for some time. Despite this challenge he approached life with a positive attitude and determination to live his life to the fullest.

Bernard came to Walcha in the 1970's with his family where his father managed Permewans. His passion to look after his fellow workers rights could never be questioned and his commitment to his community whether on or off the sporting field or any cause he could help with was a hallmark of his give all attitude.

In recognition of Bernard's contribution to Walcha Council and his work colleagues Council Offices will be closed from 1:30pm on Monday 21 December to allow staff to attend his graveside service.

To Anne, John and Brian and families we extend our thoughts and wishes at this difficult time. We hope that these thoughts can help you in these challenging times.

"Grief is the price we pay for love". (Dr Colin Murray Parkes).

Vale Bernard Anthony Lynch.

Mayor Eric Noakes

140 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillor Noakes that the Mayor Minute be **NOTED** by Council.



6. SENIOR OFFICERS REPORT

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

6.1 Development Application 10.2020.13.2 Alterations and Additions to Dwelling – DJJ Jones WO/2020/04460

142 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Kealey that Council approve Modified Development Application 10.2020.13.2 for the alterations and additions to a dwelling on Lot 1 DP608305, being 163W Evans Street, Walcha, as per the development conditions listed within the Development Assessment Report.

Being a Planning matter a **Division** was called prior to voting on this matter and the result was as follows:

For: Councillors: Noakes, Blomfield, Ferrier, Heazlett, Kealey, Kermode, Lyon and Wellings.

Against: Nil.

Absent: Nil .

Declared Interest: Nil.

6.2 Draft Walcha Council Youth Strategy WO/2020/04444

143 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Kealey that Council:

1. **ENDORSE** the public exhibition of the Draft Walcha Council Youth Strategy for a period of 28 days;
2. Following the public exhibition period a report summarising all community feedback received be presented to Council; OR
3. Following the public exhibition if no feedback is received, **ADOPT** the Draft Walcha Council Youth Strategy as presented.

6.3 Formation of Walcha Council Community Gym Committee under Section 355 WO/2020/04186

Motion:

It was **MOVED** Clr Kealey **Seconded** Clr Wellings that Council:

1. Establish a Section 355 Community Gym Advisory Committee;
2. Adopt the Community Gym Advisory Committee Terms of Reference with the amendment to delete "All 8 members to have voting rights" from the Membership section;
3. Advertise in local publications and on Council's media pages inviting representatives for the current vacancies;
4. Advertise the proposed amendment to the 2020/2021 Fees & Charges;
5. Approve a budget of \$80,000 for purchase of equipment for the facility funded from the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (Extension) Fund; and
6. Delegate authority to the General Manager to finalise the transition arrangements from the existing facility operators to the new facility, noting



that the General Manager will report the final outcome to Council when finalised.

Amendment

It as MOVED Clr Heazlett Seconded Clr Lyon that the fees should be set as:

- Family Membership: \$400;
- Annual Membership: \$300;
- Pensioner & Student Discount of 50%; and
- Schools be given the opportunity to experience the facility in the first year of opening FREE.

The **Amendment** was to put to the **VOTE** and **LOST**.

144 The **Original Motion** becomes the **Substantive Motion** and was put to the **VOTE** and **CARRIED**.

145 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Heazlett that Council formally writes a letter of recognition to the Community Gym Committee thanking them for their efforts over the last few years.

6.4 Ordinary Meeting in January 2021 **WO/2020/04434**

146 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Blomfield that Council hold an Ordinary Meeting on Friday, 29 January 2021 commencing at 9:30am.

6.5 Regional Meetings 2020 Update **WO/2020/04113**

147 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Wellings and Kealey that Council **NOTE** the Report.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION

7.1 Notice of Motion No.: 21 – Available Residential & Industrial Land – Clr Noakes **WO/2020/04452**

- 148 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Noakes and Lyon that:
1. \$30,000 from the Project Development Internal Restriction be allocated to identify Council owned and Crown land that may be available for development as residential or industrial land.
 2. Any privately owned land within the town boundary that is zoned residential or industrial also be identified.

8. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil.



9. MANAGEMENT REVIEW REPORTS

149 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Lyon that the Management Review Reports be **RECEIVED** for further consideration.

9.1 Office of the General Manager WO/2020/04394

150 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Kealey that items included in the Office of the General Manager Management Review be **NOTED** by Council.

9.2 Infrastructure WO/2020/04248

151 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Ferrier that items included in the Infrastructure Management Report be **NOTED** by Council.

9.3 Environment & Development WO/2020/04427

152 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Heazlett that items included in the Environment & Development Management Review be **NOTED** by Council.

9.4 Community & Tourism WO/2020/04411

153 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Kealey that items included in the Community & Tourism Management Review be **NOTED** by Council.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**10.1 Minutes of the Walcha Council Arts Advisory Committee Meeting held on 05 November 2020 at the Council Chambers, Hamilton Street, Walcha
WO/2020/04446**

11. DELEGATE REPORTS

11.1 Minutes of the Walcha & District Historical Society Inc Meeting held at the Museum on Saturday, 24 October 2020. WI/2020/04190

12. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil.

13. CLOSED COUNCIL

13A Referral to Closed Council: WO/2020/04464

- 1. Tender for the Provision of Traffic Control**
- 2. Tender for the Provision of Road Stabilisation**

154 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Kealey that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the matters of:

1. Tender for Provision of Traffic Control; and



2. Tender for Provision of Road Stabilisation;
BE referred to be discussed in Closed Council and close the meeting to the public for the reason that the reports relate to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

13B Referral to Closed Council – Minutes of the General Manager’s Performance Review Committee Meeting held on 09 December 2020
WO/2020/04465

155 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Kealey that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the matter of the General Manager’s Performance Review Committee Meeting Minutes BE referred to be discussed in Closed Council and close the meeting to the public for the reason that the report relates to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

156 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Blomfield that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole and that the press and public be excluded from the entire proceedings of the Meeting of the Closed Council for the reason that it relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business AND that it relates to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

157 The Meeting resumed in **OPEN** Council on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Wellings.

PRESENT: Present and IN Attendance were the same as listed in the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting with the exception of the press and the public.

The Chairman publicly declared the **RESOLUTIONS** passed by the Council whilst in Closed Council Meeting.

13.1 Tender for the Provision of Traffic Control **WINT/2020/07499**
CC: 27/202021 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Wellings and Lyon that Council **ADOPTS** the tenders representing best value to a panel contract for the supply of Traffic Control for the period 01 December 2020 to 30 June 2024, with the following tenderers:
a) *DOB Enterprises Trading as Watchout Training & Traffic Control*
b) *Ahoy Traffic Control*
c) *Guardrite Security and Traffic Management*
d) *Altus Traffic Control*



13.2 Tender for the Provision of Road Stabilisation WINT/2020/07500

CC: 28/20202021 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Ferrier that Council **ADOPTS** the tenders representing best value to a panel contract for the supply of Stabilisation Services for the period 01 December 2020 to 30 June 2024, with the following tenderers:

- a) Stabilised Pavements of Australia Pty Limited
- b) Stabilcorp Pty Limited
- c) Downer EDI Works Pty Ltd
- d) Accurate Asphalt & Road Repairs Pty Limited

13.3 Minutes of the Walcha Council General Managers Performance Review Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 09 December 2020. WO/2020/04440

CC: 29/202021 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Wellings that Council **ACCEPTS** the General Managers Action Plan.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4:22PM.