



## ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Wednesday, 25 July 2018

at

4.13pm

at

Walcha Council Chambers

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr DJM Reeves, Director – Engineering Services, and Mrs LJ Latham, Environmental Services Manager.

**1. APOLOGIES:**

1 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Ferrier that the apology received from Councillor Kealey, being away due to family commitments, be **ACCEPTED**.

MINUTES



**2. CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 25 JULY 2018:**

2 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Heazlett that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 July 2018, 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**

Nil.

**5. MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil.

**6. SENIOR OFFICERS REPORT**

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

**6.1 2017 – 2018 Final Rates Reconciliation WO/2018/01147**

4 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Heazlett that the Common Seal be affixed to the 2017 – 2018 Rate Book Reconciliation and be attested to by the Mayor and the General Manager.

**6.2 2018 – 2019 Initial Rates Reconciliation WO/2018/01147**

5 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Lyon that the Common Seal be affixed to the Initial Reconciliation of valuations to rates levies as at 1 July 2018 and be attested to by the Mayor and the General Manager.

**6.3 Pecuniary Interest Annual Returns for the Period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 WO/2018/01278**

6 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Lyon that Council formally records that the Ordinary Returns of Pecuniary Interest required to be submitted by Councillors, the General Manager and Designated Staff, for the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 have been submitted as required and have been tabled in accordance with the provisions of Section 450A of the Local Government Act, 1993.

**6.4 Committee of the Whole Referral – Tenders for the Construction of Walcha Preschool WO/2018/01401**

The Mayor ruled that this matter be referred to the end of the Meeting.



**7. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil.

**8. MATTERS OF URGENCY**

Nil.

**9. MANAGEMENT REVIEW REPORTS**

**WO/2018/01274**

7 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Wellings that items included in the Management Review Report, numbered 9.1 to 9.16 inclusive, be **NOTED** by Council.

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**10.1 Minutes of the Walcha Council Youth Advisory Committee Meeting held at Walcha Central School on Tuesday, 26 June 2018. WO/2018/01293**

**10.2 Minutes of the Walcha Council Preschool Advisory Committee Meeting held at the Walcha Preschool on Tuesday, 26 June 2018. WO/2018/01082**

**5.1 & 5.2 Sleep & Rest Policy and the Preschool Business Plan 2018 – 2019**

8 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Heazlett that the Sleep and Rest Policy AND the Preschool Business Plan 2018 – 2019 as presented be **ADOPTED** by Council.

**11. DELEGATE REPORTS**

**11.1 Confirmed Minutes of the New England Tablelands (Noxious Plants) County Council Meeting held in Armidale Office on Tuesday, 17 April 2018.**

**WI/2018/07451**

**11.2 Minutes of the Namoi Unlimited Unincorporated Association Final Meeting held at Liverpool Plains Shire Council on Friday, 8 June 2018.**

**WI/2018/07449**

**11.3 Minutes of the Namoi Unlimited Joint Organisation Inaugural Board Meeting held at Liverpool Plains Shire Council on Friday, 8 June 2018.**

**WI/2018/07449**

**6.4 Committee of the Whole Referral – Tenders for the Construction of Walcha Preschool**

**WO/2018/01401**

9 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Ferrier and Lyon that in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the matter of Tenders for the Construction of the Walcha Preschool be referred to be discussed in Committee of the Whole for the reason that it would, if disclosed,



confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

**12. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

10 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Heazlett 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 Committee of the Whole 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.

11 The Meeting resumed in **OPEN** Council on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Heazlett.

The Mayor reported whilst in Committee of the Whole the following matters were discussed.

**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.

**2.1 Tenders for the Construction of Walcha Preschool Building**  
**WINT/2018/01420**

**Recommendation by Committee:**

It was **MOVED** Clr Wellings **SECONDED** Clr Ferrier that Council **ACCEPT** the tender submitted by Boulus Constructions Pty Ltd **FURTHER THAT** authorise the General Manager to sign the necessary documentation.

An **Amendment** was **MOVED** Clr Lyon **Seconded** Clr Wellings that Council **ACCEPT** the tender submitted by Boulus Constructions Pty Ltd **FURTHER THAT** authorise the General Manager to sign the necessary documentation **STILL FURTHER THAT** the Budget be varied to reduce the Contingency to \$5,000.

On being put to the **VOTE** the **Amendment** became the **Recommendation** by the Committee.

**ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**12.1 Tender for the Construction of Walcha Preschool WINT/2018/01420**

12 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Wellings that Council **ACCEPT** the tender submitted by Boulus Constructions Pty Ltd **FURTHER THAT** authorise the General Manager to sign the necessary documentation **STILL FURTHER THAT** the Budget be varied to reduce the Contingency to \$5,000.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5:40PM.**