

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Wednesday, 26 May 2021

at

3:20pm

at

Walcha Council Chambers

The Audio Recording Statement and the Acknowledgement of Country was read by Mayor Noakes.

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

<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u>: Mr Christopher Weber – Interim General Manager and Mr PR Murray – Director Infrastructure.

1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil.

MINUTE

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General Manager

Mayor



2. CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL 2021:

239 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Wellings that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday, 28 April 2021, copies of which have been distributed to all members, be taken as read and confirmed a **TRUE** record.

CONFIRMATION OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING MINUTES HELD ON FRIDAY, 14 MAY 2021:

240 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Wellings that the Minutes of the ExtraOrdinary Meeting held on Friday 14 May 2021, 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 6.3 Request to Waive Excess Water Charges for Walcha Bowling Club WO/2021/01449

Clr Ferrier declared a non-pecuniary significant interest in this matter being the Treasurer of the Walcha Bowling Club.

5. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil.

6. SENIOR OFFICERS REPORT

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

6.1 Quarterly Budget Review Statements as at March 2021 WO/2021/01431

- 242 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Lyon that Council:
 - 1. **ADOPT** the March 2021 Quarterly Budget Review Statements; and
 - 2. **APPROVE** the variations in Income and Expenditure votes as detailed in the Report.

6.2 DRAFT 2021-2022 Operational Plan

WO/2021/01855

- 243 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Wellings and Ferrier that:
 - 1. the Draft 2021-2022 Operational Plan be placed on public exhibition in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1993, Section 402 (6), 404 (4) and 405(3);
 - 2. The Draft Budget for the year 2021-2022 be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days;

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3. a further report be provided to Council at the completion of the public exhibition period outlining any submissions received and for Council's final adoption of the 2021-2022 Operational Plan & Budget.

6.3 Request to Waive Excess Water Charges for Walcha Bowling Club WO/2021/01449

Clr Ferrier declared a non-pecuniary significant interest in this matter and left the Chambers and took no part in the debate.

244 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Blomfield that Council:

- 1. **DECLINE** the request to waive excess Water Charges of \$2,101.09; and
- 2. **AGREE** to enter into a payment plan for the Walcha Bowling Club to make payment of the excess water charges of \$2,101.09.

Clr Ferrier returned to the Chambers and the Mayor informed him of the resolution.

6.4 Request for Financial Assistance – Two Wheel Tours WO/2021/01807

245 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Wellings that Council support the *Two Wheel Tours* event in principle and request further information, including a detailed budget, prior to the determination of an allocation of funds.

6.5 Walcha Motorcycle Rally Committee Nominations WO/2021/01806

- 246 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Lyon that Council:
 - 1. Change the terms of reference for the Motorcycle Rally Advisory Committee to allow up to six (6) community members.
 - 2. **APPOINT** Kim Barnet and Andy Burwell to the Walcha Motorcycle Rally Advisory Committee.

6.6 Central Northern Regional Library Agreement Renewal

WO/2021/01730

247 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Heazlett and Wellings that in relation to report "Central Northern Regional Library Agreement", Council:

- 1. **RECEIVE** and **NOTE** the Minutes of the Central Northern Regional Library Ordinary Meeting held 21 April 2021;
- 2. **APPROVE** the extension of the current Central Northern Regional Library Agreement for a further five year period; and
- 3. **APPROVE** the Seal of Council be affixed to the Central Northern Regional Library Agreement **FURTHER THAT** it be attested to by the Mayor and the General Manager.

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

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8. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil.

9. MANAGEMENT REVIEW REPORTS

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

9.1 Office of the General Manager

WO/2021/01865

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

9.2 Infrastructure

WINT/2021/04542

250 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Wellings that items included in the Infrastructure Management Review Report be **NOTED** by Council.

9.3 Environment & Development

WO/2021/01815

251 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillor Kealey and Kermode that items included in the Environment & Development Management Review Report be **NOTED** by Council.

9.4 Community & Tourism

WO/2021/01720

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

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

10.1 Minutes of the Arts Advisory Committee Meeting held at Walcha Council Chambers on Thursday 25 March 2021. WO/2021/01334

<u>Item 4.4 – Christmas Decorations and Open Air Gallery</u>

253 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kealey and Blomfield that the Open Air Gallery is now an integral part of Walcha's identity and reputation in the wider arts community and tourism and that no piece should be used for the purposes of future Christmas decorations.

Clr Lyon recorded his vote **AGAINST** this Motion.

10.2 Minutes of the Walcha & District Beautification & Tidy Towns Committee
Meeting held at Walcha Council Chambers on Wednesday 07 April 2021
WO/2021/01310

254 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Lyon that Council **RECEIVE** and **NOTE** the Committee Reports as presented.



11. DELEGATE REPORTS

- 11.1 Minutes of Central Northern Regional Library Meeting held at Tamworth Regional Council on Wednesday 21 April 2021. WI/2021/06847
- 255 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Wellings and Kermode that Council **RECEIVE** and **NOTE** the Delegate Reports as presented.
- 12. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Nil.

13. CLOSED COUNCIL

13A Referral to Closed Council – Evaluation of Tenders for Supply of Quarry Materials AND Supply and Delivery of Bulk Fuel T1022NEC

WO/2021/01916

- 256 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Lyon and Kermode that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters of Evaluation of Tenders for Supply of Quarry Materials AND Supply and Delivery of Bulk Fuel T102122NEC be referred to be discusses 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.
- 257 **RESOLVED** on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Lyon that Council resolve into Closed Council and that the press and public be excluded from the entire proceedings of the Meeting of the Closed Council 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.
- The Meeting resumed in **OPEN** Council on the Motion of Councillors Lyon 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 recommendations passed by the Committee whilst in Closed Council.

13.1 Evaluation of Tenders for Supply of Quarry Materials WINT/2021/04737 CC52/20212022 RESOLVED on the Motion of Councillors Wellings and Lyon that Council ENDORSE the evaluation outcome of identifying Metz Quarry; Highlands Quarry Guyra, Sheridans Hard Rock Quarry and Martins Lime as the preferred suppliers for the panel contract for the supply of quarry materials for the period 01 June 2021 to 30 June 2024.

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13.2 Evaluation of Tenders for Supply and Delivery of Bulk Fuel T10222NEC WINT/2021/04707

CC53/20212022 <u>RESOLVED</u> on the Motion of Councillors Kermode and Lyon that Council ENDORSE the evaluation outcome identifying the tender from Patdove Pty Ltd Trading as Campbells Fuel Service as the preferred supplier of distillate and unleaded petrol to Walcha Council for the period 01 July 2021 up until 30 June 2024.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4:07PM.

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