



BLAND SHIRE COUNCIL
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Bland Shire Council

Minutes

16 October 2012



OUR VISION, MISSION AND VALUES



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 16 OCTOBER 2012

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MAYOR



MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
16 October 2012

1.0 PRAYER

The meeting was opened by the Mayor with a prayer at 6.43pm.

2.0 ATTENDANCE

2.1 Councillors

Cr R Bland
Cr P Grellman
Cr K Keatley
Cr T Lord
Cr L McGlynn
Cr B Monaghan
Cr N Pokoney
Cr P Templeton

2.2 Staff

General Manager – Ray Smith
Director Engineering Services – Will Marsh
Director Corporate Services – Elizabeth White
Director Community & Development Services – Adele Casey
Executive Assistant – Julie Sharpe

2.3 Apologies

Cr L Hampton

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Ordinary Meeting held on 25 September 2012

- **Corrections** - Nil
- **Confirmation** - That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 September 2012 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Council Recommendation:

01102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Keatley that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 September 2012 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings. CARRIED

- **Business Arising**
Nil

4.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Nil

5.0 PUBLIC FORUM

- 5.1 Presentation to Mr Ken Peterson**
The Mayor and General Manager presented Mr Peterson with a plaque in recognition of his outstanding service and dedication to the community with 14 years at the Ambulance Service and 32 years at the State Emergency Service.

6.0 MAYORAL MINUTE
Nil

7.0 NOTICES OF MOTION
Nil

8.0 DELEGATES & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 8.1 Newell Highway Taskforce**
Cr Lord provided an overview of the meeting held on 9th October 2012. It was noted that \$5.4M has been allocated and works have commenced on the Tallimba Road intersection. Funds are being sourced for upgrade works and planned improvements along the Newell are progressing. The next meeting will be held in February 2013 and will be hosted by Bland Shire Council.

Council Recommendation:

02102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that the Council receive and note the delegate and advisory committee reports from Councillors and Advisory Committee meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

SECTION 1 – OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

9.1 MONTHLY STATUS REPORT – OCTOBER

Council Recommendation:

03102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Bland that the information contained in the October 2012 monthly status report be received and noted. CARRIED

9.2 CONDUCT OF COMMUNITY FORUMS – 2012

Council Recommendation:

04102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr McGlynn that Council determine a date to conduct the annual community forums. CARRIED

Council Recommendation:

05102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Templeton that Council conduct the annual community forums on Tuesday 30 October 2012. CARRIED

9.3 SPECIAL DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS FORMS

Council Recommendation:

06102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Templeton seconded Cr Grellman that the information from the NSW Division of Local Government concerning amendments to the Local Government Act in respect to the declaration of a pecuniary interest by a councillor in a principal environmental planning instrument be received and noted. CARRIED

9.4 2012 COUNCILLOR WORKSHOPS

Council Recommendation:

07102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Monaghan that the General Manager coordinate the attendance of all councillors at the DLG workshop being held in Wagga Wagga on either 7th or 8th November 2012. CARRIED

9.5 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

Council Recommendation:

08102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Monaghan:

- 1. That Council determine if it wishes to take advantage of the offer from Local Government Management Solutions (LGMS) to conduct a half day workshop for all councillors on the performance review process for general managers at a cost of \$2,000.00 + GST and travel expenses at cost.**
- 2. That Council determine the membership of the General Manager's Performance Review Committee. CARRIED**

Council Recommendation:

09102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Grellman that Council not take advantage of the offer from Local Government Management Solutions (LGMS) to conduct a half day workshop for all councillors on the performance review process for general managers at a cost of \$2,000.00 + GST and travel expenses at cost. CARRIED

Council Recommendation:

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Templeton that Mayor Pokoney, Cr Lord, Cr Grellman and Cr Keatley be appointed as members of the General Manager's Performance Review Committee.

AMENDMENT proposed on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that membership of the General Manager's Performance Review Committee include a new Councillor.

The amendment was then put and CARRIED

10102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that membership of the General Manager's Performance Review Committee include a new Councillor. CARRIED

Council Recommendation:

11102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bland seconded Cr Monaghan that Mayor Pokoney, Cr Lord, Cr Grellman and Cr Monaghan be appointed as members of the General Manager's Performance Review Committee. **CARRIED**

9.6 APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES

Council Recommendation:

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that Council accepts the nominations received from interested community representatives to the Access, Health & Wellbeing and Cultural Advisory Committees and that a ballot for representatives to the Tourism and Heritage Advisory Committees be undertaken.

AMENDMENT proposed on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council accepts all nominations received from interested community representatives to the Advisory Committees.

Cr Monaghan foreshadowed an amendment, which was then withdrawn.

The amendment was then put and **CARRIED**

12102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council accepts all nominations received from interested community representatives to the Advisory Committees. **CARRIED**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE	COUNCIL DECISION
Access Advisory (6x Community representatives)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Wilma Hutcheon • Mr Ron Black • Mrs Alison Templeman • Ms Gail Platz • Sue Smith • Wendy Bowles
Tourism Advisory (4x Community representatives)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amanda Stitt • Margaret (Peg) Mrowka • Bernard Couzens • Des Delaney • Martin Lane • Malcolm Carnegie
Heritage Advisory (2x Community representatives)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorothy (Dot) Smith • Martin Lane • Pam Butcher
Health and Wellbeing Advisory (3x Community representatives)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carmel Mead • Dorothy (Dot) Smith • Jill Funnell
Cultural Advisory (4x Community representatives)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barry Cooper • Terrence Butcher • Jan Wyse • Stuart Hood

9.7 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE – PUBLIC LIBRARIES NSW - COUNTRY

Council Recommendation:

13102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Lord that the Council appoint a representative to Public Libraries NSW - Country for the ensuing Council term. **CARRIED**

Council Recommendation:

14102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that the Council appoint Mrs Dot Smith to Public Libraries NSW - Country for the ensuing Council term subject to her concurrence. **CARRIED**

9.8 MODERNISATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION

Council Recommendation:

15102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Lord that the information regarding the establishment of a Taskforce to review the Local Government Act 1993 and the City of Sydney Act 1988 be received and noted. **CARRIED**

9.9 INTRODUCTION OF A CONTAINER DEPOSIT / REFUND SYSTEM

Council Recommendation:

16102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that the information regarding the study on the impacts (cost/benefits) of the introduction of a container deposit/refund system (CDS) be received and noted. **CARRIED**

9.10 COUNCIL OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CARBON PRICING MECHANISM

Council Recommendation:

17102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Bland that the information clarifying a local council's obligations under the carbon pricing mechanism in respect to landfill operations be received and noted. **CARRIED**

9.11 HEALTH SERVICES IN RURAL AREAS

Council Recommendation:

18102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Templeton that Council support the National Rural Health Alliance (NRHA) in lobbying for the implementation of the 18 recommendations arising from the Senate Committee Report on factors affecting the supply of health services and medical professionals in rural areas. **CARRIED**

9.12 GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL – MINUTES 23 AUGUST 2012

Council Recommendation:

19102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Bland that the Council receives and notes the minutes of the Goldenfields Water County Council meeting held on 23rd August 2012. **CARRIED**

9.13 MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE BLAND SHIRE HERITAGE, GOLD TRAILS AND TOURS

Council Recommendation:

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that Bland Shire Council seeks additional matching funds up to the amount of \$105,000 and that Bland Shire Council matches the \$105,000 to be allocated towards the Bland Shire Heritage, Gold Trails and Tours, (\$105,000 to be sourced and \$105,000 from Bland Shire Council totalling \$210,000).

The matter was deferred pending clarification of budget allocations.

SECTION 2 - CORPORATE SERVICES

9.14 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – SEPTEMBER 2012

Council Recommendation:

20102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Lord:

- 1. That Council receive and note the statement of Bank Balances, Rates Collections and Investments for the month of September, 2012.**
- 2. That Council confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 1 September 2012 to 30 September 2012, summarised in the accounts summary totalling \$4,063,215.84. CARRIED**

9.15 JUNE 2012 BUDGET CARRY FORWARD REQUESTS

Council Recommendation:

21102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Lord:

1. That the Officer's report be received and noted
2. That the Council approves the carry forward budget amount of \$730,155.98 to the 2012/2013 financial year expenditure. **CARRIED**

9.13 MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE BLAND SHIRE HERITAGE, GOLD TRAILS AND TOURS

It was confirmed that Council has allocated \$200,000 in the 2012/13 budget and a further \$200,000 approved in the June 2012 budget carry forwards.

Council Recommendation:

22102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that Bland Shire Council seeks additional matching funds up to the amount of \$105,000 and that Bland Shire Council matches the \$105,000 to be allocated towards the Bland Shire Heritage, Gold Trails and Tours, (\$105,000 to be sourced and \$105,000 from Bland Shire Council totalling \$210,000). **CARRIED**

SECTION 3 – COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

9.16 CHILDREN SERVICES UNIT POLICY ADOPTION

Council Recommendation:

23102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Grellman that the Council adopts the Children Services Unit policies as attached:

- Health & Safety – Administration of First Aid
- Health & Safety – Sun Protection
- Health & Safety – Water Safety
- Health & Safety – Nutrition/Food/Beverages/Dietary Requirements
- Engagement of Family Day Care Educators Policy
- Assessment & Approval of Family Day Care Residences & Approved Family Day Care Venues Policy
- Monitoring, Support & Supervision of Family Day Care Educators Policy. **CARRIED**

9.17 FOOD FOR FINES

Council Recommendation:

24102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that the library partner with the Salvation Army and St Vincent De Paul to provide hampers for the community via the “Food for Fines” campaign. **CARRIED**

9.18 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES – CRICKET HONOUR BOARDS

Council Recommendation:

25102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that Council contribute \$750 (GST Inc) towards the purchase of two honour boards from its Strengthening Communities budget for the West Wyalong Cricket Association. **CARRIED**

9.19 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES – NSW COUNTRY REGIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Council Recommendation:

26102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Grellman that Council authorise the payment of an amount of \$3,366.00, in the form of Strengthening Communities funding, to the West Wyalong Swimming Club, to assist with the costs associated with the hosting of the 2013 NSW Regional Country Swimming Championships being held in West Wyalong from 25th to 28th January 2013, being the Australia Day long weekend. **CARRIED**

SECTION 4 – ENGINEERING SERVICES

9.20 RACE TRACK - WEST WYALONG HARNESS RACING CLUB

Council Recommendation:

27102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Grellman that Council donate up to \$18,000 for the purpose of council completing improvement works on the racing track to enable the West Wyalong Harness Racing Club to better use the race track. **CARRIED**

9.21 RE-ALIGNMENT BLOW CLEAR ROAD

Council Recommendation:

28102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Lord that Council approve of the re-alignment of Blow Clear Road. CARRIED

9.22 TAXI PARKING AREA MAIN STREET, WEST WYALONG

Council Recommendation:

29102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr McGlynn that Council continue the trial of the taxi parking area within Main Street West Wyalong starting 3m away from the pedestrian crossing nib for a further three months and then review the location of the taxi rank and the Main Street traffic arrangements. CARRIED

9.23 STREET CLEANING 2012-2013 ALLOCATION

Council Recommendation:

30102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Bland that the 2012 – 2013 street cleaning budget be increased to \$91,450 and the additional funds of \$14,200 be transferred from the existing reserve for Redman Oval Tanks & Grandstand. CARRIED

SECTION 5 – REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Council Recommendation:

31102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr McGlynn that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- **9.24 - Engineering Services Report – September**
- **9.25 - Engineering Services Report – October**
- **9.26 - Community Services Report – September**
- **9.27 - Community Services Report – October**
- **9.28 - Development Statistics – August 2012**
- **9.29 - Development Statistics – September 2012**
- **9.30 - Status Of Commercial Development Applications Under Consideration - October 2012**
- **9.31 - Ranger Activities – August**
- **9.32 - Ranger Activities – September**
- **9.33 - Library And Children Services Unit – September**
- **9.34 - Library And Children Services Unit – October**
- **9.35 - Bland Shire Economic Development & Tourism Report – September**
- **9.36 - Bland Shire Economic Development & Tourism Report – October. CARRIED**

10.0 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

10.1 Goldenfields Water County Council Representation

Council Recommendation:

32102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Monaghan that the Council write to Goldenfields Water County Council expressing its concern with the proposed arrangements for Bland Shire Council's representation on the organisation and the provision of information. CARRIED

11.0 QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

Cr Keatley

- Queried the amount of funds remaining from the Ungarie Main Street upgrade project
DES advised that the project was funding from Roads to Recovery funding and the balances and allocation of funds will be further investigated
- Advised that the Ungarie Main Street garden edging requires reflectors
DES advised that investigations are underway and marking works to be programmed

Cr Grellman

- Advised that the bollards in Main Street West Wyalong are difficult to see when reversing into the parking space
- Requested that a meeting be arranged with interested landholders and Council's staff in relation to control of noxious weeds

Cr Lord

- Expressed concern with the NSW State Infrastructure Report in relation to RMS single invitation maintenance contracts and the considerations for regional contracts
Mayor advised that the matter will be raised at the next REROC meeting
- Requested leave of absence for the November Council meeting

Cr Monaghan

- Queried the style of lighting used in Main Street West Wyalong
Mayor advised that the style of lighting implemented meets the RMS requirements and has the capability for banners and power points at each pole
- Expressed concern with the small lamps on the Main Street lighting poles and their movement in the wind and requested they be inspected
- Agreed with the proposal for marking of lines and parking spaces in Main Street
- Expressed concern with the accessibility of the dump point at the Show Ground
Mayor advised that the dump point is owned by the Show Ground and it is their responsibility
- Advised that the Green Corridor requires some attention as it is un-kept in places
Mayor advised that Parks & Gardens staff have been focussed on the Main Street project

Cr Keatley

- Queried the progress with establishing aliases for the Councillor's email accounts
GM advised that the issue will be further investigated

Cr McGlynn

- Requested additional toilet cleaning in the public toilets during Paris in the West festival
GM advised that Council has provided a donation of \$5,000 for the festival. It is expected that there will be further costs to Council associated with the event and details will be provided

Cr Bland

- Advised that a pile of rubble has been left behind the public toilets alongside Aberline's Garage

Cr Pokoney

- Queried progress with the Main Street upgrade works and the sealing of the footpath
*DES advised that further progress is pending funding from RMS
GM advised that the budget allocation has been spent with costs of approximately
\$260,000 to date*

12.0 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING TO DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 10A(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

Council Recommendation:

33102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council close the Ordinary meeting of Council to discuss confidential business under the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act. CARRIED

The meeting then closed at 8.57pm.

12.1 Offer To Purchase 93 Gilbert Street, Wyalong

*Local Government Act {Section 10A(2)(c)}
Information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business*

13.0 RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CLOSED SECTION OF THE MEETING

Council Recommendation:

34102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr Monaghan that Council move out of closed Council and into open Council. CARRIED

The meeting then resumed at 9.02pm.

Council Recommendation:

35102012 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Bland that Council accept the offer of \$30,000.00 for the purchase of 93 Gilbert Street, Wyalong and that the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign the necessary contract documents. CARRIED

14.0 CLOSE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 9.04pm.

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Chairperson

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MAYOR