

Bland Shire Council Minutes 3 December 2013



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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER 2013

......MAYOR



MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

3 December 2013

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The meeting was opened by the Mayor with the introduction and welcome at 6.30pm.

2.0 ATTENDANCE

2.1 Councillors

Cr P Grellman

Cr L Hampton

Cr K Keatley

Cr T Lord

Cr L McGlynn

Cr B Monaghan (arrived at 6.39pm)

Cr L Pike

Cr N Pokoney

Cr P Templeton

2.2 Staff

General Manager - Ray Smith

Director Asset & Engineering Services – Will Marsh

Director Corporate Community & Development Services – Adele Casey

Acting Executive Assistant – Leanne Black

2.3 Apologies

Nil

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3.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Ordinary Meeting held on 19 November 2013

Confirmation

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 19 November 2013 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Council Recommendation:

01122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Hampton that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 19 November 2013 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings. CARRIED

- Corrections Nil
- Business Arising Nil

4.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A pecuniary interest is an interest that a person has in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss the person or another person with whom the person is associated.

A person does not have a pecuniary interest in a matter if the interest is so remote or insignificant that it could not reasonably be regarded as likely to influence any decision a person might make in relation to a matter.

Councillor/Officer	Item	Nature of Interest
Cr Hampton	12.1 Planning Proposal – Neeld Street, Wyalong	Non-Pecuniary
Cr Pokoney	9.6 Proposal for a New Indoor Sporting Complex	Non-Pecuniary

5.0 PUBLIC FORUM

Councillor Monaghan arrived.

5.1 Presentation by Council Auditors.

Jeff Shanks from the Luka Group presented details of Council's financial position as at 30th June 2013.

5.2 Mr Michael Pursehouse

Mr Pursehouse spoke on behalf of the Campdraft Association who have requested the old light poles from Ron Crowe Oval. He explained that if they were to receive the lights members of this association would move them and erect them – there would be no additional cost to Council. He also advised that there would be more opportunities made available to them and other associations to hold events at their facility.

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5.3 Cameron Webber

Mr Webber thanked the Councillors and Staff for working with the Ministers Fraternal this year especially in relation to the Banners. He also thanked Craig Sutton for his patience with this matter. He wished everyone a happy and safe Christmas and looked forward to being at the first meeting in 2014.

5.4 Andrew Bartlett

Mr Bartlett is a member of the current Stadium Committee and also the Basketball committee. However he believes that urgent action needs to be taken to make West Wyalong competitive when it comes to holding representative events. Mr Bartlett asked Council for assistance in order that the matter is dealt with properly and all avenues are looked at.

6.0 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

7.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

8.0 DELEGATES & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Section 1 – Delegates & Advisory Committee Reports & Minutes (for information)

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Council Recommendation:

02122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Templeton that the Council receive and note the delegate and advisory committee reports from Councillors and Advisory Committee meeting minutes as presented. CARRIED

8.1 Goldenfields Water County Council Board

Cr Templeton advised that there was an extraordinary meeting held last week. The
meeting was called to look at the tenders for 'Remote Meter Reading'.

9.0 STAFF REPORTS

That the Council receive the staff reports.

SECTION 2 – OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

9.1 Monthly Status Report

Council Recommendation:

03122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Pike seconded Cr Keatley that the information contained in the November 2013 monthly status report be received and noted. CARRIED

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9.2 Report on the 2012 Local Government Elections

Council Recommendation:

04122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Hampton seconded Cr Grellman that the report from the NSW Electoral Commissioner on the 2012 Local Government Elections be received and noted, CARRIED

9.3 New Electoral District of Cootamundra

Council Recommendation:

05122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that the Hon. Katrina Hodgkinson MP be advised that while Council appreciates her dilemma in choosing which electorate to represent in the future, Council believes that it is not in a position to be indicating any political preference for an upcoming State election. CARRIED

9.4 Code of Conduct Complaints Report

Council Recommendation:

06122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr Grellman that the Code of Conduct Complaints report for the period 1 September 2012 to 31 August 2013 be received and noted. CARRIED

9.5 Expressions of Interest for the Operation of a Visitor Information Centre

Council Recommendation:

07122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Keatley that this matter be held over until February 2014. CARRIED

9.6 Proposal for a New Indoor Sporting Complex

Council Recommendation:

08122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Hampton:

1. That Council commence investigations into the available options to establish a new indoor recreation facility or to upgrade and expand the existing indoor facility;

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- 2. That funds for this purpose be made available from the current budget allocation for this purpose;
- 3. That the General Manager establishes a staff team to oversee these initial investigations;
- 4. That the General Manager endeavour to engage all possible stake holders in this process. CARRIED

SECTION 3 – CORPORATE, COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

9.7 Cultural Development Grant – West Wyalong Regional Music Inc

Council Recommendation:

09122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Lord that Council approves the Cultural Development Grant application from West Wyalong Regional Music Inc for the amount of \$1550 inclusive of GST. CARRIED

SECTION 4 – ENGINEERING SERVICES

9.8 NSW Road Naming Policy - Geographical Names Board

Council Recommendation:

10122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Monaghan that Council support the principals of the Geographical Names Board "NSW Road Naming Policy" and commence the process to rename duplicate road names within our Local Government Area. CARRIED

9.9 Old Lights & Poles - Ron Crowe Oval

Council Recommendation:

11122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Hampton seconded Cr Grellman that Council approves the request by the West Wyalong Charity Campdraft Committee for the donation of the lights and poles. CARRIED

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9.10 Liquid Trade Waste Policy

Council Recommendation:

12122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Lord that the Draft Liquid Trade Waste Policy be adopted. CARRIED

9.11 Sunshine Park Mirrool

Council Recommendation:

13122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Grellman that the matter regarding the capital upgrade of the existing Sunshine Park fence be considered during the discussions for the 2014 – 2015 capital works program. CARRIED

9.12 White Tank Lane, Waters Lane and IGA Car Park

Council Recommendation:

14122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that the concept plan for the upgrade of White Tank Lane and the carpark adjacent to IGA be adopted. CARRIED

SECTION 5 – REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Council Recommendation:

15122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Hampton seconded Cr Monaghan that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- 9.13 Engineering Services Report
- 9.14 Community Services Report
- 9.15 Children Services Monthly Update
- 9.16 Development Statistics November 2013
- 9.17 Ranger Activities. CARRIED

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LATE REPORTS

9.18 West Wyalong Golf Course – Request for Assistance

Council Recommendation:

16122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Grellman:

- 1. That Council offer to liaise with the West Wyalong Services and Citizens Club and the Department of the Premier and Fair Trading to help facilitate the development of a Strategic/Business Plan for the Club.
- 2. That the Bland Shire Council Economic Development Officer liaise with the WWS&C Club to identify future opportunities for an expanded tourism/economic capacity building program.
- 3. That discussions be held with the WWS&C Club to define additional avenues for support that do not include an ongoing financial commitment from Council.
- 4. That WWS&C Club be informed that Council does not support a Payment of \$20,000 as requested. CARRIED

10.0 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

10.1 Letter from Royal Freemasons Benevolent Institution.

Letter was received from the CEO of this organisation, Alex Shaw, who was quite disturbed by rumours circulating in West Wyalong that Waratah Village was to be closed. Some of the rooms at the village are currently being upgraded which means they will be unavailable while the work is completed, however they are not intending to close the facility.

11.0 QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

Cr Grellman

 Has heard the rumour about the supposed closure of the Waratah Village but after investigating the matter was told about the upgrading of the sprinkler system in the building and other works being undertaken. He is very disappointed with the continued stream of negative rumours towards the RFBI and the Waratah Village.

Cr Hampton

• Was very impressed with the financial presentation given on Council's position for the last financial year. Wished to congratulate the finance team on their good work.

Cr Keatley

Attended the Time Capsule exhumation on Saturday and thought it was great. He
then welcomed those in the public gallery.

Cr McGlynn

Like Cr. Hampton was very impressed with the financial figures for 2012-13.

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 She thanked the staff and the Councillors for putting up with her for the past 12 months.

Cr Templeton

Congratulated staff on the great financial result.

Cr Lord

- Congratulated all involved on the great financial result. Although he state we would have to watch the rates pegging.
- He attended the Murrumbidgee Medicare Local meeting and will compile a report on it.
- He would like the matter of local trade's people not being given the opportunity to do some work for Council (against Procurement Policy).

Cr Pike

Believes Council need to be more proactive.

Cr Monaghan

- Also gave his congratulations on the financial results presented tonight.
- Requested that short term parking for health vehicles at the Community Health Centre be looked into.

GM advised that it would be a matter for the Traffic Committee to address.

Cr Pokoney

- On the matter of a new sports stadium he advised that at no time was it stated that the building was being built. They are just looking at options. It is part of our vision to provide the required standard of facilities for the community. It is part of keeping people healthy and it fits in with Tourism and Economic opportunities. "But it must be affordable". People need to be open minded and look at it as a piece of the puzzle that fits in with our vision for the future.
- Sought support on sending Nicole Caldow a letter of congratulations.
- Financial efforts in 2012-2013 have been good and his goal is to make sure next year's budget is a surplus budget as well.
- Thanked all the Councillors and staff for their efforts throughout the year.

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

Council Recommendation:

17122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr Hampton 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 8.25pm.

12.1 Planning Proposal – Neeld Street, Wyalong

Local Government Act {Section10A(2)(a)}

The matters and information are personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

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

Council Recommendation:

18122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Hampton seconded Cr McGlynn that Council move out of closed Council and into open Council. CARRIED

The meeting then resumed at 8.35pm

12.1 Planning Proposal - Neeld Street, Wyalong

Local Government Act {Section10A(2)(a)}
The matters and information are personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

Council's Recommendation

19122013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Lord that Council:

- a) Receive and note the Planning Proposal to rezone Lots 11 to 20 Section 36 DP759123, Lots 1 to 7 Section 37 DP759123, Lots 1 to 10 Section 48 DP759123 and Lots 11 to 20 Section 49 DP759123, Neeld Street, from B6 Enterprise Corridor to R1 General Residential;
- b) Forward the subject Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure under Clause 56(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, requesting that the Minister issue a "Gateway Determination" that would allow for the planning proposal to proceed;
- c) Delegate authority to the General Manager to make any minor alterations requested by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure;
- d) Request that the Minister delegate authority for Council to determine the planning proposal; and
- e) Advertise the Planning Proposal as per the provisions of Section 57 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 once a Gateway determination has been issued. CARRIED

14.0 CLOSE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.36pm.
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