

# Bland Shire Council Minutes 21 May 2013



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# OUR VISION, MISSION AND VALUES

A place where people are valued, an environment that is respected, a future that is bright, a community that is proud

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Working together to improve our quality of life

#### BLAND SHIRE COUNCIL west wyalong

- Put the community first
- Work together as a committed team
  - Respect and value each other Have open and honest two-way communication
- Act with integrity and honesty
- Continuously
   improve our services

Value

Keep ourselves and
 others safe

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 21 MAY 2013



# MINUTES

### **COUNCIL MEETING**

### 21 MAY 2013

#### 1.0 **INTRODUCTION**

The meeting was opened by the Mayor with the introduction and welcome at 6.32pm.

#### 1.1 Oath of Office

This matter was deferred pending the arrival of Cr Pike.

#### 2.0 ATTENDANCE

#### 2.1 Councillors

Cr P Grellman Cr L Hampton Cr K Keatley Cr T Lord Cr L McGlynn Cr B Monaghan Cr L Pike (arrived 6.36pm) Cr N Pokoney Cr P Templeton

#### 2.2 Staff

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

#### 2.3 Apologies

General Manager – Ray Smith

#### 3.0 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

#### 3.1 Ordinary Meeting held on 16 April 2013

- Corrections Nil
- Confirmation
   That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 16 April 2013 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

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#### Council Recommendation:

01052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Monaghan that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 16 April 2013 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings. CARRIED

#### Business Arising - Nil

#### 4.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor/Officer	Item	Nature of Interest
Cr Lord	9.12: Access Incentive Scheme Grant – Anthoness and Associates	Pecuniary
Cr Lord	9.14: Strengthening Communities – West Wyalong Rotary Club	Non-Pecuniary
Cr McGlynn	9.15: Community Strengthening Grant – Sweden in the West	Non-Pecuniary
Cr Pokoney	12.1: Business Assistance Funding – Southwest Cruizers Ungarie	Non-Pecuniary

#### 5.0 **PUBLIC FORUM**

#### 5.1 Presentation to Mr Vern Collins, 2012 Citizen of the Year

Cr Pike arrived at 6.36pm.

At this stage the Mayor presented Mr Collins with a framed citation and photographs in recognition of his achievement as the 2012 Bland Shire Citizen of the Year.

At this stage, 6.37pm Cr Pike took the Oath of Office.

#### 6.0 MAYORAL MINUTE Nil

7.0 NOTICES OF MOTION Nil

#### 8.0 DELEGATES & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

## SECTION 1 – DELEGATES & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

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#### 8.1 Museum Advisory Committee

Cr Lord advised that the minutes are included in the business paper.

#### 8.2 Public Libraries NSW South-West Zone

Cr McGlynn noted the comparison of Government funding to libraries. DCDS provided an overview of the NSW campaign

#### 8.3 Tourism Advisory Committee – 8/4/2013

Cr Lord advised that the minutes are included in the business paper.

#### 8.4 Indigenous Advisory Committee

Cr Hampton advised that the minutes are included in the business paper and are self explanatory.

#### 8.5 Access Advisory Committee

Cr Grellman advised that the minutes and reports are included in the business paper.

#### 8.6 Health & Wellbeing Advisory Committee

Cr McGlynn advised that the minutes are included in the business paper.

#### 8.7 Heritage Advisory Committee

Cr Grellman advised that the minutes are included in the business paper and the Committee discussed the recent Heritage Festival.

#### 8.8 Tourism Advisory Committee – 9/5/2013

Cr Lord advised that the minutes are included in the business paper and invited Councillors to attend the Destination Management Planning session on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. It was also noted that further adjustments are required to the lighting for the tourist information shelters.

#### Council Recommendation:

02052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Hampton 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

#### 9.0 STAFF REPORTS

That the Council receive the staff reports.

# **SECTION 2 – OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER**

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#### 9.1 MONTHLY STATUS REPORT – MAY

Council Recommendation:

03052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr Grellman that the information contained in the May 2013 monthly status report be received and noted. CARRIED

#### 9.2 GUIDELINES ON THE CLOSURE OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Council Recommendation:

04052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Monaghan that the advice from the NSW Division of Local Government in respect to guidelines for the closure of council and committee meetings is received and noted and that Council's current Meeting Practice Guidelines is updated to incorporate such new guidelines. CARRIED

#### 9.3 INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK: YOUR VISION – OUR FUTURE, BLAND SHIRE 2023

Council Recommendation:

05052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn:

- 1. That the Council endorse the Your Vision, Our Future Bland Shire Community Strategic Plan 2012 2023
- 2. That the following DRAFT documentation be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, commencing 22 May 2013, in accordance with the legislative requirements of the Local Government Act 1993:
- Delivery Program 2013-2016
- Operational Plan 2013/14
- Asset Management Plan 2013
- Long Term Financial Plan 2013
- Workforce Management Plan 2013-2017
- 3. That all public comments, submissions and input from staff and councillors be submitted to the Extraordinary Council meeting scheduled for 25 June 2013
- 4. That all staff involved in the preparation of these documents be congratulated for a job 'well done'. CARRIED

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#### 9.4 FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT

**Council Recommendation:** 

06052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn:

- 1. That a community forum be scheduled for Tuesday 11 June 2013, commencing at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers, to provide the community with an opportunity for input into the future of Bland Shire Council.
- 2. That the Mayor, General Manager and any other interested councillors attend the scheduled consultation forums in both Junee on 29 May 2013 and Parkes on 4 June 2013.
- 3. That a formal submission be made to the Independent Local Government Review Panel, by the closing date of 28 June 2013 based on the outcomes of the special workshop for councillors and senior staff held on 14 May 2013, the consultation forums in Junee and Parkes and the community forum scheduled for 11 June 2013. CARRIED

#### 9.5 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Council Recommendation:

07052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that the information from the NSW Division of Local Government advising of the signing of the Intergovernmental Agreement to Guide NSW State – Local Government Relations on Strategic Partnerships be received and noted. CARRIED

#### 9.6 ADRESSING THE NATIONAL SKILLS SHORTAGE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Council Recommendation:

08052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Grellman that Council agrees to support the campaign by the United Services Union (USU) to address the national skills shortage in local government and the ageing workforce in local councils. CARRIED

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# 9.7 2012 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FOR THREE NEW SOLAR LIT VISITOR INFORMATION SHELTERS

**Council Recommendation:** 

09052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that Council endorse \$16,296 from matching funds for three new Visitor Information Shelters to be installed at:

- Ungarie
- Weethalle
- Barmedman. CARRIED

## **SECTION 3 - CORPORATE SERVICES**

#### 9.8 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – APRIL 2013

**Council Recommendation:** 

10052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Keatley:

- 1. That Council receive and note the statement of Bank Balances, Rates Collections and Investments for the month of April, 2013.
- 2. That Council confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 1 April 2013 to 30 April 2013, summarised in the accounts summary totalling \$2,456,820.51. CARRIED

#### 9.9 PRIVACY MANAGEMENT PLAN

**Council Recommendation:** 

11052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Keatley:

- 1. That Council adopt the draft Bland Shire Council Privacy Management Plan.
- 2. That Council provide a copy of the updated plan to the Privacy Commissioner. CARRIED

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Council Recommendation:

12052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr McGlynn:

- 1. That the Officers Report be received and noted.
- 2. That the Council endorses the Statement acknowledging the satisfactory financial position.
- 3. That the Engineering Services adjustments be held over and that Council be provided with a report in relation to the capital expenditure, Main Street beautification, Computers and Treatment Works Automated Gate. CARRIED

# **SECTION 4 – COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

#### 9.11 ACCESS INCENTIVE SCHEME GRANT – METROPOLITAN HOTEL

Council Recommendation:

13052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr McGlynn that Council approves the Access Incentive Grant application from the Metropolitan Hotel for the amount of \$5000 inclusive of GST. CARRIED

At this stage, 7.18pm Cr Lord left the meeting.

#### 9.12 ACCESS INCENTIVE SCHEME GRANT – ANTHONESS AND ASSOCIATES

Council Recommendation:

14052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Hampton that Council approves the Access Incentive Grant application from Anthoness and Associates for the amount of \$3000 inclusive of GST. CARRIED

At this stage, 7.21pm Cr Lord returned.

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#### 9.13 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES - WESTERN REGION ACADEMY OF SPORT

Council Recommendation:

15052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Hampton that Council provide a financial contribution of \$320 to support the Western Region Academy of Sport with its operations in 2013-2014. CARRIED

At this stage, 7.23pm Cr Lord left the meeting.

#### 9.14 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES – WEST WYALONG ROTARY CLUB

Council Recommendation:

16052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley that Council approves a Strengthening Communities grant of up to \$1827 to the West Wyalong Rotary Club for the purchase of a projector and laptop. CARRIED

At this stage, 7.26pm Cr Lord returned to the meeting.

#### 9.15 COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING GRANT – SWEDEN IN THE WEST

Council Recommendation:

17052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr Grellman that the Community Strengthening Grant application received from Events West Wyalong for sponsorship of the Sweden in the West festival be determined by Council. CARRIED

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#### Council Recommendation:

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Grellman that Council provide a contribution of \$5,000 cash and \$5,000 in kind assistance to Events West Wyalong for sponsorship of the Sweden in the West festival.

With the agreement of the mover and seconder it was agreed to hold the matter over for further investigation.

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Hampton seconded Cr Pike that the matter be held over.

On being put to the vote the motion was CARRIED

18052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Hampton seconded Cr Pike that the matter be held over. CARRIED

# 9.16 2013-14 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE GRANTS PROGRAM FUNDING AGREEMENT

**Council Recommendation:** 

19052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Monaghan that Council sign and affix the seal to the Service Agreement between NSW Government Department of Education and Communities, Office of Education and Bland Shire Council for the provision of education and care services through the Bland Preschool and the Bland Shire Council Vacation Care program. CARRIED

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#### 9.17 RELOCATION OF FITNESS EQUIPMENT

**Council Recommendation:** 

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Keatley that Council reallocates \$4000 from the capital projects "Fitness Equipment for Adults" to the relocation of existing equipment to the Golf Club walking track.

With the agreement of the mover and seconder it was agreed to hold the matter over for further investigation.

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Keatley that the matter be held over for further investigation and a further report on alternative options.

20052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Keatley that the matter be held over for further investigation and a further report on alternative options. CARRIED

# **SECTION 5 – ENGINEERING SERVICES**

#### 9.18 WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 2013/14

Council Recommendation:

21052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Templeton that the proposed capital works for Waste Infrastructure as outlined in this report be approved and included in Council's 2013/14 Operational Plan and budget. CARRIED

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# **SECTION 6 – REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

#### Council Recommendation:

22052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Lord that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- 9.19 Engineering Services Report
- 9.20 Community Services Report
- 9.21 Library and Children Services
- 9.22 Status of Commercial Development Applications Under Consideration -May 2013
- 9.23 Development Statistics April 2013
- 9.24 Ranger Activities
- 9.25 Economic Development & Tourism Report May. CARRIED

#### 10.0 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

Cr Lord proposed that consideration be given to the payment of a deposit for the proposed Reg Rattey and Daniher Bros statues due to the costs and processing times for construction.

It was determined that the matter was not of an urgent nature.

#### **10.1 Drysdale Painting – "West Wyalong"** Cr Lord advised that a Reg Grundy art collection will be auctioned on 21 June 2013.

#### **Council Recommendation:**

23052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that investigations be made to determine if the Drysdale painting "West Wyalong" is included in the upcoming auction, and if so, a community fund be established to purchase the item. CARRIED

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#### 11.0 **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

#### Cr Monaghan

- Advised that the spelling on the Reg Rattey sign in the Community Rose Garden is incorrect
- Acknowledged the work done in the gardens around the Water Street Carpark, however noted they are still untidy
- Advised that a letter will be submitted to Council seeking assistance from a local dance instructor

#### Cr Pike

 Advised that the trees planted in the centre of the Water Street Carpark reduce parking

Mayor advised that options will be investigated

#### Cr McGlynn

- Conveyed her congratulations and thanks to Leonard James for his efforts
- Conveyed her congratulations to Ray Smith for his efforts with GPs
- Conveyed her congratulations to Barry Cooper and Bruce Baker for standing in the recent By-Election and thanked them for their sincerity, commitment and efforts for our community

#### **Cr Hampton**

- Thanked Council for the opportunity to attend the Managing Time and Stress training in Dubbo
- Advised that the Handling Difficult People workshop in Queanbeyan was cancelled due to lack of interest

#### **Cr Grellman**

- Apologised for being unable to attend recent Workshops
- Expressed his disappointment with recent articles in the newspaper in relation to Waratah Village and the Ungarie Road development. He stated that he was proud to have been involved and confident in the decisions made.

#### **Cr Pokoney**

• Advised that while in Sydney recently an opportunity was provided for the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and General Manager to meet with the Minister of Local Government's Office in relation to the review of NSW local government

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

**Council Recommendation:** 

24052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Monaghan 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

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The meeting then closed at 8.14pm. Cr Pokoney vacated the Chair and left the meeting.

- **12.1** Business Assistance Funding Southwest Cruizers Ungarie Local Government Act {Section10A(2)(d)(i)} The matters and information are commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
- **12.2** Request To Waive Interest Accrued On Overdue Rates Local Government Act {Section10A(2)(b)} The matters and information are the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer

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

Council Recommendation:

27052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Templeton that Council move out of closed Council and into open Council. CARRIED

The meeting then resumed at 8.37pm.

12.1 Business Assistance Funding – Southwest Cruizers Ungarie

Local Government Act {Section10A(2)(d)(i)} The matters and information are commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Council Recommendation:

25052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr Grellman that Council approve \$3,000 Business Assistance Funding to David Murray owner of Southwest Cruizers for the establishment of a limousine hire car company based at 5-7 Mackrell Street Ungarie. CARRIED

#### **12.2** Request To Waive Interest Accrued On Overdue Rates Local Government Act {Section 10A(2)(b)} The matters and information are the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer

Council Recommendation:

26052013 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Lord seconded Cr Grellman that Council confirm its previous decision in this matter, not to waive the interest payments for the property identified as Assessment Number 2858-2. CARRIED

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#### 14.0 CLOSE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 8.38pm.

Chairperson

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