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MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING FRIDAY, 22 MAY 2020

MINUTES OF THE **Extraordinary Council Meeting** OF TENTERFIELD SHIRE held at the RSL Pavilion, Rear Memorial Hall, Molesworth Street, Tenterfield and via Zoom on Friday, 22 May 2020 commencing at 9.48 am.

ATTENDANCE

Councillor Peter Petty (Mayor)
Councillor Greg Sauer (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor Don Forbes (via Zoom)
Councillor John Macnish
Councillor Brian Murray
Councillor Tom Peters
Councillor Bronwyn Petrie
Councillor Michael Petrie
Councillor Bob Rogan (via Zoom)
Councillor Gary Verri (via Zoom)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive (Terry Dodds) (via Zoom)
Executive Assistant & Media (Noelene Hyde)
Chief Corporate Officer (Kylie Smith) (via Zoom)
Director Infrastructure (Fiona Keneally) (via Zoom)
Manager IT & Finance (Paul Della) (via Zoom)
Manager Customer Service, Governance & Records (Erika Bursford) (via Zoom)
Manager Economic Development & Community Engagement (Harry Bolton) (via Zoom)

Clause 254(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 requires that the names of the mover and seconder of the motion or amendment are recorded and shown in the Minutes of the meeting.

WEBCASTING OF MEETING

I advise all present that this Zoom meeting is being recorded for placement on Council's website for the purposes of broadening knowledge and participation in Council issues, and demonstrating Council's commitment to openness and accountability.

All speakers must ensure their comments are relevant to the issue at hand and to refrain from making personal comments or criticisms or mentioning any private information.

No other persons are permitted to record the meeting, unless specifically authorised by Council to do so.

OPENING AND WELCOME

CIVIC PRAYER

We give thanks for the contribution by our pioneers, early settlers and those who fought in the various wars for the fabric of the Tenterfield Community we have today.

May the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land that we are meeting on today. I would also like to pay respect to the Elders past, present and emerging of the Jukemba, Kamilaroi and Bundjalung Nations and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people present.

APOLOGIES

Nil.

DISCLOSURE & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

TABLING OF DOCUMENTS

64/20 **Resolved** that the following tabled documents be accepted for consideration.

- Draft Operational Plan 2020/21 and Budget
- Draft Fees & Charges 2020/21
- Attachment 2 – Angry Bull Mountain Bike Trails

(Greg Sauer/Bronwyn Petrie)

Motion Carried

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION (PUBLIC ACCESS)

- **GOV22/20 – Operational Plan 2020/2021**

Mr Vince Sherry – attended the Meeting via Zoom and addressed Councillors on the Angry Bull Mountain Bike Project, seeking support for funding to build a Business Plan.

PROCEDURAL MOTION – ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM

65/20 **Resolved** that Council accept the additional Agenda Item (GOV23/20) *Drought Communities Programme Extension – Cultural and Heritage Initiatives Across the Shire (By Application)* for consideration at this Extraordinary Council Meeting.

(Greg Sauer/Michael Petrie)

Motion Carried

OPEN COUNCIL REPORTS

OUR GOVERNANCE

(ITEM GOV22/20) OPERATIONAL PLAN 2020/2021

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for Council to place on public exhibition the draft Tenterfield Shire Council Operational Plan 2020/2021, from 22 May 2020 to 19 June 2020.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- (1) Place the draft Tenterfield Shire Council Operational Plan 2020/2021 on public exhibition on Council's website for 28 days for community review and comment, and
- (2) That a further report be brought back to Council for adoption of the Tenterfield Shire Operational Plan 2020/2021.

(Bronwyn Petrie/Michael Petrie)

AMENDMENT

That Councillors agree that an increase of 40% apply across consumption charges – residential less than 450kl per annum, residential more than 450kl per annum, rural/Mt Lindesay less than 450ml and rural/Mt Lindesay more than 450 kl per annum.

(Greg Sauer/John Macnish)

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

66/20 **Resolved** that Standing Orders be suspended.

(Bronwyn Petrie/Tom Peters)

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned to allow the Chief Executive & Manager Finance & Technology to determine if the amendment constitutes an illegal motion, the time being 11.25 am.

The meeting reconvened with the same members present, the time being 11.39 am.

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

67/20 **Resolved** that Standing Orders be resumed.

(Greg Sauer/Brian Murray)

Motion Carried

Following advice from Manager Finance & Technology, Paul Della, the mover and seconder **Withdrew the Amendment**

AMENDMENT

That Council allocate an amount of \$25,000 in the Draft Operational Budget 2020/2021 to support the Angry Bull Mountain Bike Project business case.

(Bob Rogan/Gary Verri)

Amendment Carried

Cr Brian Murray requested a record of voting for the Amendment:

Voting for the Amendment - Cr's Peter Petty, Greg Sauer, Gary Verri, Bronwyn Petrie, Bob Rogan and John Macnish

Voting against the Amendment - Cr's Brian Murray, Don Forbes, Tom Peters and Michael Petrie

68/20 **Resolved** that Council:

- (1) Remove the \$100,000 grant income line and \$100,000 grant expenditure line within the Economic Growth and Tourism Service area in the Draft Operational Plan 2020/2021 (incorporating the draft 2020/2021 budget) and replace these amounts with \$25,000 as a Council funded contribution to support the Angry Bull Mountain Bike Project business case; and
- (2) Place the draft Tenterfield Shire Council Operational Plan 2020/2021 on public exhibition on Council's website for 28 days for community review and comment; and
- (2) That a further report be brought back to Council for adoption of the Tenterfield Shire Operational Plan 2020/2021; and
- (3) That Council allocate an amount of \$25,000 in the Draft Operational Budget 2020/2021 to support the Angry Bull Mountain Bike Project business case.

(Bronwyn Petrie/Michael Petrie)

Motion Carried

(ITEM GOV23/20) DROUGHT COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME EXTENSION - CULTURAL AND HERITAGE INITIATIVES ACROSS THE SHIRE (BY APPLICATION)

SUMMARY

Council staff have been liaising with the Manager for the Drought Communities Programme Extension, as per Council Resolution 40/20 – Bushfire Drought Recovery Grants dated 26 February 2020. We have been advised that the ‘Cultural and Heritage Initiatives across the Shire (by Application)’ project will not be approved due to the development of private or commercial buildings.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- (1) Amend resolution 40/20 – by removing ‘Cultural and Heritage Initiatives across the Shire (by application)’ project from the Drought Communities Programme – Extension funding spreadsheet;
- (2) Council endorse and adopt the two (2) recommended projects for funding for the Drought Communities Programme Extension Grant.

(Bronwyn Petrie/Tom Peters)

AMENDMENT

That Council allocate grant funding of \$65,000 to Drake Village Resource Centre and \$35,000 to restoration works at Willson’s Downfall Cemetery.

(Bronwyn Petrie/John Macnish)

Amendment Lost

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Resolved that Council:

- (1) Amend Resolution 40/20 – by removing ‘Cultural and Heritage Initiatives across the Shire (by application)’ project from the Drought Communities Programme – Extension funding spreadsheet;
- (2) Council endorse and adopt the two (2) recommended projects for funding for the Drought Communities Programme Extension Grant. These being:

- o Drake Village Resource Centre Upgrade - \$60,000 GST excl; and
- o Cemetery Restoration Work to historical Willson’s Downfall Cemetery - \$40,000 GST excl.

(Bronwyn Petrie/Tom Peters)

Motion Carried

MEETING CLOSED

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 1.09 pm.

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Councillor Peter Petty
Mayor/Chairperson