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MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, 29 MAY 2019

MINUTES OF THE **Extraordinary Council Meeting** OF TENTERFIELD SHIRE held at the Tenterfield Shire Council Chamber on Wednesday, 29 May 2019 commencing at 9.30 am.

ATTENDANCE

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive (Terry Dodds)
Executive Assistant & Media (Noelene Hyde)
Chief Corporate Officer (Kylie Smith)
Chief Operating Officer (Andre Kompler)
Manager Customer Service, Governance & Records (Erika Bursford)

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 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 both past and present of the Jukembal, Kamilaroi and Bundjalung Nations and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people present.

APOLOGIES

100/19 **Resolved** that the apology of Councillor Bronwyn Petrie be received and accepted.

(Gary Verri/Michael Petrie)

Motion Carried

DISCLOSURE & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING - OPEN COUNCIL REPORTS

OUR GOVERNANCE

(ITEM GOV31/19) OPERATIONAL PLAN 2019/2020

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt the Tenterfield Shire Council To Plan 2019/2020 (circulated under separate cover), as amended to include submissions following public exhibition from 24 April 2019 to 22 May 2019, for

inclusion with the current Tenterfield Shire Council Delivery Program 2017/2021.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

That the Officer's Recommendation be opened for debate.

(Bob Rogan/Greg Sauer)

Procedural Motion Carried

AMENDMENT

That Item (1) Waste Fees - be amended to read:

- Waste Fees – The 120L to less than 240L General Waste Bin or Bag fee shall be \$8.00;

(Bob Rogan/Tom Peters)

Amendment Lost

AMENDMENT

That all General Waste Fees be rounded up or down to full dollars or nearest 50 cents from the 2020/2021 financial year.

(Michael Petrie/John Macnish)

Amendment Carried

101/19 Resolved that Council:

- (1) Adopts the Tenterfield Shire Council Operational Plan 2019/2020 with the following amendments:
 - Waste Fees – The 120-240L General Waste Bin or Bag fee shall be \$12.60;
 - Section 603 Certificate – the charge shall be \$85.00;
 - Sewerage Usage Charge – Non Residential shall be \$2.76 per kilolitre;
 - Waste Vouchers – the value of each of the three (3) waste vouchers will be \$18.80;
 - Saleyards Truck Wash Fee – the fee to be removed pending confirmation of location;
 - Cattle Carcass Disposal Fee – the disposal fee at the Saleyards will be \$238.00;
 - Mount Lindesay Private Line Water line availability - the charge shall be \$608 (being \$488 Residential connection charge plus \$120 to fund maintenance works on the line);
 - The Waste Management Availability Charge shall be renamed as the Waste Management Facility Charge;
 - Proposed borrowings be increased by \$830,000 in relation to the Truck Wash (deferred from 2018/19), and
 - Corrections for minor typographic errors.
- (2) Adopts the following documents as part of the Tenterfield Shire Council Operational Plan 2019/20:
 - Tenterfield Shire Council Budget for 2019/2020;
 - Tenterfield Shire Council Revenue Policy Statement for 2019/2020, and

- Tenterfield Shire Council Fees and Charges for 2019/2020.

(3) In accordance with the provisions of Section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993, makes, fixes and levies the rates for the year ending 30 June 2020 for the following rating categories:

Farmland:

A Farmland rate of 0.002958168 cents in the dollar on the current land values of all rateable land in the Local Government Area being Farmland, with a base rate of \$408.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 25.38% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Residential – Tenterfield:

A Residential – Tenterfield rate of 0.007291104 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$321.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 48.56% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Residential – Tenterfield (Urban):

A Residential – Tenterfield rate of 0.007289841 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$321.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 27.01% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Residential – Urbenville:

A Residential – Urbenville rate of 0.011423558 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$286.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 49.43% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Residential – Jennings:

A Residential – Jennings rate of 0.008536200 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$286.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 49.73% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Residential – Drake:

A Residential – Drake rate of 0.010054603 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$286.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 49.86% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Residential – Other:

A Residential – Other rate of 0.005170036 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$151.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 24.68% of the total revenue collected

from this category of land);

Business – Tenterfield:

A Business – Tenterfield rate of 0.014686961cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$550.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 40.65% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Business – Urbenville:

A Business – Urbenville rate of 0.009937041 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$261.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 48.76% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Business – Jennings:

A Business – Jennings rate of 0.004982059 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$261.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 48.76% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Business – Drake:

A Business – Drake rate of 0.006556072 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$261.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 49.26% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Business – Other:

A Business – Other rate of 0.005649217 cents in the dollar of the current land values of all rateable land within this category, with a base rate of \$278.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 44.38% of the total revenue collected from this category of land);

Mining:

A Mining rate of 0.017831898 cents in the dollar on the current land values of all rateable land in the Local Government Area where the dominant use is for a coal mine or metalliferous mine, with a base rate of \$438.00 per annum (the total revenue collected from this base amount represents 47.52% of the total revenue collected from this category of land).

- (4) In accordance with the provisions of Section 552 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council makes, fixes and levies a Water Supply Availability Charge on all land rateable to the Water Supply Charge and other water charges for the year ending June 2020, as follows:
- a. Residential - \$488.00 per connection per annum;
 - b. Residential Strata - \$366.00 per connection per annum;

- c. Mt Lindesay Private Line – \$608 per connection per annum;
 - d. Rural Other - \$488 per connection per annum;
 - e. Non Residential - Meter connection: 20mm - \$488 per connection per annum;
 - f. Non Residential - Meter connection: 25mm - \$488 per connection per annum;
 - g. Non Residential - Meter connection: 32mm - \$488 per connection per annum;
 - h. Non Residential - Meter connection: 40mm - \$733 per connection per annum;
 - i. Non Residential - Meter connection: 50mm - \$1,145 per connection per annum;
 - j. Non Residential - Meter connection: 80mm - \$2,935 per connection per annum;
 - k. Non Residential - Meter connection: 100mm - \$4,585 per connection per annum;
 - l. Non Residential - Meter connection: 150mm - \$10,315 per connection per annum;
 - m. Voluntary & Charitable Organisations - \$96.00 per connection per annum;
 - n. Services installed solely for the purpose of firefighting – No Charge.
- (5) In accordance with Section 502 of the Local Government Act, makes, fixes and levies a stepped tariff for the charge for water consumed by residential customers (to be by measure of metered water consumption) at the rate of \$3.80 per kilolitre for water consumption between nil (0) and 450 kilolitres per annum and, and \$6.00 per kilolitre for water consumed over 450 kilolitres per annum.
- (6) In accordance with Section 502 of the Local Government Act, that Council makes, fixes and levies a stepped tariff for the charge for water consumed by Rural/MT Lindesay customers (to be by measure of metered water consumption) at the rate of \$3.80 per kilolitre for water consumption between nil (0) and 450 kilolitres per annum and, and \$6.00 per kilolitre for water consumed over 450 kilolitres per annum.
- (7) In accordance with Section 502 of the Local Government Act, makes, fixes and levies a stepped tariff for the charge for water consumed by Non-Residential customers (to be by measure of metered water consumption) at the rate of \$3.80 per kilolitre for water consumption between nil (0) and 800 kilolitres per 800 kilolitres per annum.
- (8) In accordance with Section 502 of the Local Government Act 1993, makes, fixes and levies a minimum water consumption account charge of \$25 for each of the six (6) monthly billing periods. Further, that if at the time of reading a water meter it is found to be damaged or has stopped, an account will be issued based on the previous two corresponding water bills.

- (9) In accordance with Section 502 of the Local Government Act 1993, makes, fixes and levies a Water Infrastructure Charge per assessment connected to the Tenterfield Water Treatment Plant of \$77 to part fund the loan associated with the new Water Treatment Plant).
- (10) In accordance with the provisions of Section 501(1) and 502 of the Local Government Act 1993, makes, fixes and levies a Sewerage Service Availability Charge of \$1,138.00 on all land assessable in the Tenterfield and Urbenville Town Areas and is:
- connected to the Council's sewer main, or
 - not connected to the Council's sewer main but any part of the property is no more than 75 metres from the Council's sewer main; and
 - land from which sewerage can be discharged into the sewers of Council for the year ending June 2020.

Further, that in respect of Residential Flat Buildings a Sewerage Availability Charge will be made equal to the number of residential flats multiplied by the service charge for a single connection.

- (11) Within three (3) months from the adoption of the Operational Plan 2019/20, Council be provided with a Policy to interpret Section 552 (3) (b) of the Local Government Act 1993.
- (12) In accordance with the provisions of Sections 501(1) and 552 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council makes, fixes and levies Annual Access Charges for Commercial and Non-Residential Sewerage for the year ending June 2020, as follows:

A Sewerage Access Charge will be incurred proportional to the customer's water connection diameter plus a pay for use charge based on the water used, calculated in accordance with the following connection options and the formula following subparagraph "j" below:

- a. Non Residential - Meter connection: 20mm - \$1,138 per connection per annum;
- b. Non Residential - Meter connection: 25mm - \$1,138 per connection per annum;
- c. Non Residential - Meter connection: 32mm - \$1,470 per connection per annum;
- d. Non Residential - Meter connection: 40mm - \$2,296 per connection per annum;
- e. Non Residential - Meter connection: 50mm - \$3,589 per connection per annum;
- f. Non Residential - Meter connection: 80mm - \$9,189 per connection per annum;
- g. Non Residential - Meter connection: 100mm - \$14,358 per connection per annum;
- h. Non Residential - Meter connection: 150mm - \$32,322 per connection per annum;

- i. Voluntary & Charitable Organisations - \$226.00 per connection per annum;
- j. Services installed solely for the purpose of firefighting – No Charge.

The formula to calculate Non-Residential Sewerage Charges is:

$$AC + SDF \times (C + UC)$$

Where:

AC = Access Charge

SDF = Sewerage Discharge Factor (determined by type/use)

C = Customers Annual Water Consumption in kilolitres

UC = Sewerage Usage Charge

- (13) Makes, fixes and levies a Sewerage Usage Charge of \$2.76 per kilolitre in 2019-20.
- (14) Makes, fixes and levies Trade Waste and On site Sewerage Management Charges as outlined in the Operational Plan 2019-20.
- (15) Makes, fixes and levies and charges Waste Management Charges as outlined in the Operational Plan 2019-20.
- (16) Provides three (3) waste vouchers per annum to be issued with the annual rates notice and that the value of these vouchers be equivalent to the fee for a small box trailer - that is, \$18.80 each
- (17) Borrows:
 - a) \$2,350,000 in 2019/20 to part fund the new Water Treatment Facility; and
 - b) \$1,830,000 for infrastructure projects including the Truck Wash, additional Road funding, IT Infrastructure and Depot Facilities.
- (18) In accordance with the provisions of Section 566(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, determines that the extra interest charges on overdue rates and charges will be levied at the maximum rate allowable and as advised by the Office of Local Government on a daily simple interest basis for the financial year ending 30 June 2020.
- (19) In accordance with the provisions of Section 405(6) of the Local Government Act 1993, places a copy of its adopted Operational Plan 2019/20 on its website within 28 days.
- (20) That all General Waste Fees become rounded up or down to full dollars or to nearest 50 c from the 2020/2021 financial year.

(Brian Murray/Donald Forbes)

Motion Carried

MEETING CLOSED

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 10.16 am.

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Councillor Peter Petty
Mayor/Chairperson