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MINUTES

of the

Ordinary Meeting of Council

15th May 2018

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BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Balranald Shire Council held in Council Chambers, Market Street, Balranald on Tuesday 15th May 2018, commencing at 5pm.

PRESENT: Cr Alan Purtill (Deputy Mayor), Cr Jeff Mannix, Cr Trevor Jolliffe, Cr Steve O'Halloran and Cr Jo Roberts.

Acting General Mangaer Andre Pretorius and Director Corporate & Community Services Terri Bilske were also in attendance.

APOLOGIES: Cr Leigh Byron, Cr Doug Allen, Cr German Ugarte and Michael Kitzelmann (General Manager)

05.18.4302 on the motion of Cr Mannix and Jolliffe that the apologies listed above be accepted.

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Nil

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Calendar of Events November - December	
May	
15	Council Meeting @ 5pm
16	Meeting in Sydney regarding Far West Councils
June	
5	Euston Beautification Committee Meeting @ 9am
5	Tourism Committee Meeting @ 5pm
6	Balranald Beautification Committee Meeting @ 7pm
17-20	NGA Conference in Canberra
26	Council Meeting @ 5pm - proposed

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Recommendation:
That:

"The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 17th April 2018 copies having previously been circulated to each Councillor be taken as read and confirmed."

"The minutes of the Confidential Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 17th April 2018 copies having previously been circulated to each Councillor be taken as read and confirmed."

"The minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday 30th April 2018 copies having previously been circulated to each Councillor be taken as read and confirmed."

05.18.4303 on the motion of Cr Mannix and Jolliffe that the minutes of Ordinary and Confidential Meetings held on 17th April and the Extraordinary Meeting held on 30th April be received and confirmed.

PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

Presentation from representatives from DECMIL and QANTAC in relation to Sunraysia Solar Farm and Accommodation Village in Bank Street.

MAYORAL MINUTE/REPORT

nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR ADOPTION

05.18.4304 on the motion of Cr Roberts and Mannix that the Minutes of the Committee reports be accepted and noted.

BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL EUSTON BEAUTIFICATION & TOURISM COMMITTEE MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE EUSTON COURTHOUSE ON TUESDAY, 3RD APRIL, 2018, COMMENCING AT 9.00 A.M.

Present: Ken Barnes, Ian Sutton, Andre Pretorius (DID), Edna Price, Ian Bolt, Barry Watts, Bev Harbinson, Terri Bilske and Michael Kitzelmann (BSC).

Ken Barnes was in attendance for a very short time; Ian Sutton agreed to chair the Meeting in his absence.

Apologies: Vicki Barnes, Leigh Byron.

Recommendation: That the Minutes of Euston Beautification & Tourism Committee held on 3rd April 2018 be received and motions be considered.

TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 10th APRIL COMMENCING AT 5.00PM.

1. **PRESENT**: Iain Lindsay-Field (Chair), Simone Carmichael, Ken Spinks, Dianne Williams, Emma Severi, Wayne Whitby, Peter Lawler, Cr German Ugarte, Michael Kitzelmann (General Manager – Balranald Shire Council , Terri Bilske (Director Corporate and Community Development - Balranald Shire Council)

2. **APOLOGIES RECEIVED**: Bronwyn Brougham, Ken Barnes, Kathy Anderson, Linda Nelson

Recommendation: that the Minutes of Tourism Committee Meeting held on 10th April 2018 be received and noted.

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY PRECINCT MEETING, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 17th April 2018, COMMENCING AT 10.30AM.

PRESENT: Mr Paul Hadlow (VRA), Mr Scott Smith (Tooleybuc Hotel), Hank VanDerVeen (Tooleybuc Sports), Cr Jeff Mannix (Balranald Shire), Mr Michael Kitzelmann (General Manager, Balranald Shire), Stuart Gordon (NSW Police), Senior Constable David Ford (NSW Police) and Carol Holmes (EA Balranald Shire)

APOLOGIES: Sgt Narelle Tucker (NSW Police) and Cr Leigh Byron (Mayor, Balranald Shire Council).

Recommendation: that the Minutes of Community Safety Precinct Meeting held on 17th April 2018 be received and noted.

DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr O'Halloran – Central Murray Regional Transport Forum

Cr Jolliffe – Opening of Lake Benanee Rural Fire Station Extension

Cr Purtill – Police District and Superintendent

NOTICES OF MOTION/RESCISSION

Nil

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS (Incorporating all Staff Reports)

PART A - ITEMS REQUIRING DECISION

General Managers Reports

Item G - 1 CHANGE OF DATE FOR JUNE COUNCIL MEETING

File Number: 028

Reporting Officer: Michael Kitzelmann, General Manager

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar Six: Our Leadership – A community that values and fosters leadership, lifelong learning, innovation and good governance.

Officer Recommendation:

That the Standing Orders be changed to allow the June Council meeting to be held on Tuesday 26th June 2018.

05.18.4305 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Roberts and Jolliffe that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

Purpose of report
To request a change of date for the June Council Meeting.

Item G - 2 DONATION REQUESTS

File number: 56

Reporting Officer: Michael Kitzelmann General Manager

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 1: Our People – A Community that is proactive, engaged, inclusive and connected

Officer Recommendation:

That Council;
1. Consider the report as part of the 2018/2019 budget.
2. Waive the Greenham Park Hall costs of $325.00 with $185 cleaning deposit being paid by committee.

05.18.4306 RESOLVED on the motion Jolliffe and Mannix that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

Purpose of Report

To advise Council of requests received seeking support from New Year's Eve Committee.

Corporate & Community Development Reports

Item C - 1 **DRAFT ANNUAL STATEMENT OF REVENUE 2018-19**

File number:

Reporting Officer: Director of Corporate & Community Development

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 6: Our Leadership 6.3.2 – Provide good Governance, prudent financial management and effective support services for all its activities.

05.18.4307 RESOLVED on the motion Cr O'Halloran and Mannix that the Draft Annual Statement of Revenue 2018-19 report be withdrawn and replaced with new Draft Annual Statement of Revenue 2018-19 report.

05.18.4308 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Jolliffe and Roberts that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

Officer Recommendation:

1. That Council give notice of its intention to:

- Make and levy an ordinary rate to comprise of a base rate and an ad valorem rating structure for Farmland, Residential and the Business categories under Section 534, 535 and 537 of the Local Government Act 1993 as recommended below for 2018-19 as follows:

Category	Base Amount	Ad Valorem Rate (cents in the $)
Farmland – General	$361	.39424
Farmland – Other Rural	$170	.31680
Farmland - Intense	$381	.76252
Residential – Balranald	$156	.43504
Residential - Euston	$151	.33110
Residential - General	$102	.51689
Business - Balranald	$377	2.62856
Business - Euston	$342	2.26299
Business - Rural	$119	2.26974
Business – Parishes of Paika, Woolpagerie & Magenta – Gypsum Extraction	$162	.85668
Business – Mixed Development	$500	8.733268
Business – Parishes of Willilbah, Bidura and Solferina – Mineral Sands Mines	$1,875	.240173
Business – Parishes of Pitapunga, Crokee, Muckee & Lawrence – Mineral Sands Mines	$1,875	.093519
Business – Parish of Chadwick – Solar Farms	$825	.050786

- Increase the rate income by the maximum 10% made on the assumption that the Special Rate Variation is successful which includes the rate pegged amount of 2.4% as determined by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of NSW (IPART).

2. Increase the residential Sewer Access charge for a 20mm connection from $380 to $390 per annum. Larger connections will increase as listed in the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges.

3. Increase the Raw and Filtered water access and Usage charges as per the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges. Access charges for both raw and filtered water will increase from $266 and $199 respectively to $280 per annum for both. Raw water usage charges will increase from 66 cents to 70 cents for the first 600 kilolitres and $1.00 to $1.10 per kilolitre for usage over 600 kilolitres.

4. Filtered water usage charges will increase from $1.10 per kilolitre to $1.20 per kilolitre up to 600 kilolitres and will increase from $1.80 from $1.90 for usage over 600 kilolitres.

5. Introduce another category for raw water usage on Community Land such as Parks and Gardens with a rate of 25 cents per kilolitre.

6. Increase domestic waste collection charges from $330 per annum to $340 per annum. A domestic waste access charge for vacant land will increase from $35 per annum to $50 per annum.

7. Tip fees will continue to apply as per the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges.

8. Fix the fees and charges schedule for the 2018/19 year as set out in the Draft Annual Statement of Revenue.

9. To charge interest on overdue debtors at the maximum rate as determined by the Minister for Local Government.

10. That pursuant to Sections 405 and 406 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the Draft Annual Statement of Revenue 2018-2019 incorporating Council's Revenue Policy and Schedule of Fees and Charges be endorsed by Council and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

11. Increase all other Water and Sewer rates as listed in Fees and Charges.
12. Consider all submissions received during the public consultation period.

Purpose of Report

Under Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council is required to adopt an annual statement of revenue prior to the end of each financial year for the following financial year.

It is proposed that the Draft Annual Statement of Revenue 2018-19 be advertised for public exhibition commencing on Wednesday 16 May 2018 with a closing date for submissions being Wednesday 13 June 2018.

All submissions will be considered prior to adoption of Annual Statement of Revenue 2018-2019 at the Council meeting on 19 June 2018.

ITEM C - 2 ENDORSEMENT OF THE DRAFT 2018/2019 OPERATIONAL PLAN, REVENUE POLICY AND FEES AND CHARGES FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION

File number:

Reporting Officer: Director of Corporate & Community Development

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 6: Our Leadership 6.3.2 – Provide good Governance, prudent financial management and effective support services for all its activities.

05.18.4309 RESOLVED on the motion Roberts and Mannix that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

Officer Recommendation:

That Council:

- Endorses the draft 2018-2019 Operational Plan which contains:-
- the 2018/2019 Proposed Operational Plan and budget
- the 2018/2019 Annual Statement of Revenue
- the 2018/2019 Proposed Fees & Charges

and place these documents on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from Wednesday 16 May 2018 to Wednesday 13 June 2018 as required under Sections 405 and 406 of the Local Government Act, 1993.

All submissions received by close of business on 13 June 2018 will be considered by the Council prior to adoption of the 2018/2019 Operation Plan, Annual Statement of Revenue and Proposed Fees and Charges at the Council meeting on 19 June 2018.

Purpose of Report

To seek Council endorsement to place the 2018-2019 Operational Plan, incorporating the proposed Annual Statement of Revenue and the proposed Fees and Charges and Operational Budget on public exhibition as required under Sections 405 and 406 of the Local Government Act, 1993 and invite public comment prior to formal adoption.

Item C - 3 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW – MARCH 2018

File number:

Reporting Officer: Director of Corporate & Community Development

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 6: Our Leadership 6.3.2 – Provide good governance, prudent financial management and effective support services for all its activities.

Officer Recommendation:

1. That the Officers Report be received and noted.
2. That the proposed budget adjustments to reflect Council decisions since budget and quarterly budget adjustments be endorsed.
3. That the Council endorses the Statement acknowledging the financial position is considered satisfactory.

05.18.4310 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Mannix and Jolliffe that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

Purpose of Report

To advise Council of the Quarterly budget review and financial position as at 31st March 2018.

Infrastructure and Development Reports

Item I – 1 BALRANALD FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION

File number: D18.5769

Reporting Officer: Director Infrastructure and Development – Andre Pretorius

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 5 Our Infrastructure – A community that maintains and strengthens its natural and built environment

Officer Recommendation:
That Council endorse the construction of approximately 145 metres of footpath in River Street between Church and Market Streets using approved funds.

A **MOTION** was made by Cr O'Halloran and **Seconded** by Cr Mannix that Council continue to complete the works on Market Street Footpath and if any funds left over endorse the construction of footpath in River Street.

05.18.4311 RESOLVED on the motion Cr O'Halloran and Mannix that the that Council continue to complete the works on Market Street Footpath and if any funds left over endorse the construction of footpath in River Street.

Purpose of Report

To obtain Council approval to construct approximately 145 metres of new footpath in River Street between Church and Market Streets this financial year.

Item I – 2 COLLABORATION BETWEEN WENTWORTH AND HAY SHIRES

File number: D18.5770

Reporting Officer: Director Infrastructure and Development – Andre Pretorius

Operational Plan Objective:
Pillar 5 Our Infrastructure – A community that maintains and strengthens its natural and built environment
Pillar 6 Our Leadership – A community that values and fosters leadership, lifelong learning, innovation and good governance.

Officer Recommendation:
That Council continue with discussions between the Wentworth and Hay Shires and to determine if formal agreements can be implemented.

05.18.4312 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Jolliffe and Mannix that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

Purpose of Report

To obtain Council approval to continue discussions with the aim of establishing formal agreements with the Wentworth and Hay Shires with regards to information sharing, enforcement (ranger) and road maintenance grading.

Item I – 3 ROADS TO RECOVERY – KILPATRICK ROAD REWORK/UPGRADE RECOMMENDATIONS

Reporting Officer: Director of Infrastructure and Development

Operational Plan Objectives: Pillar Five: OUR INFRASTRUCTURE – A community that maintains and strengthens its natural and built environment

Officer Recommendation:
That Council endorse the proposed expenditure strategy for staged works to upgrade Kilpatrick Road.

05.18.4313 RESOLVED on the motion Cr O'Halloran and Mannix that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

Purpose of Report
To recommend a strategy for reworking and widening Kilpatrick Road across multiple financial years.

PART B - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

General Manager's Reports

ITEM G – 3 CORRESPONDENCE

File Number:

Reporting Officer: General Manager – Michael Kitzelmann

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 1: Our People – A community that is proactive, engaged, inclusive and connected

Officer Recommendation:
For information.

05.18.4314 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Roberts and Jolliffe that the correspondence be noted.

Purpose of Report

To advise Council of recent correspondence of interest.

Report

1. Thankyou from Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic
2. Letter from Tennis Club
3. Letter from Cricket Club
4. Letter to cricket Club
5. Office Closure notice
6. Letter from Station Kids Swimming club

ITEM G - 4 ACTION SHEET

Reporting Officer: General Manager – Michael Kitzelmann

File Number: 120

Officer Recommendation:
That Council receive and note the report.

05.18.4315 RESOLVED on the motion Cr O'Halloran and Mannix that the report be noted.

Purpose of Report

To bring forward for Councillors information the Action Report with actions taken on previous council resolutions.

Corporate and Community Development Division

Item C - 4 STATEMENT OF FUNDS: 30 APRIL 2018
File number: 085

Reporting Officer Director of Corporate and Community Development

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar Six: Our Leadership – a community that values and fosters leadership, lifelong learning, innovation and good governance

Officer Recommendation:

1. That Council receive and note the report

05.18.4316 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Mannix and Roberts that the report be noted.

Purpose of Report
To advise Council of Funds and Investment held for the month ending 30 April 2018.

Item C- 5 OUTSTANDING COUNCIL RATES

File number: 130

Reporting Officer: Director Corporate & Community Development – Terri Bilske

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 6: Our Leadership 6.3.2 – Provide good governance, prudent financial management and effective support services for all its activities.

Officer Recommendation:

That the report be received.

05.18.4317 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Roberts and Mannix that the report be noted.

Purpose of Report

To provide Council with an update of outstanding rates.

Item C - 6 BIDGEE HAVEN HOSTEL – FINANCIAL REPORT

File number:

Reporting Officer Director of Corporate and Community Development

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar Six: Our Leadership – a community that values and fosters leadership, lifelong learning, innovation and good governance

Officer Recommendation:

That Council

- Note the information

05.18.4318 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Mannix and Roberts that the report be noted.

Purpose of Report

To provide Council with an update regarding the financial operations of the Bidgee Haven Hostel (the Hostel) as at 30 April 2018.

Infrastructure and Development Reports

Item I - 4 PLANNING ADMINISTRATION

File: D18.5504

Reporting Officer: Director Infrastructure and Development – Andre Pretorius

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 5: Our Infrastructure – A community that maintains and strengthens its natural and built environment

Officer Recommendation:
That the report be noted.

05.18.4319 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Mannix and Jolliffe that the report be noted.

Purpose of Report

To advise Council of activities in the Planning area.

Item I – 5 MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

File:

Reporting Officer: Director of Infrastructure and Development – Andre Pretorius

Operational Plan Objective: Pillar 5: Our Infrastructure – A community that maintains and strengthens its natural and built environment

Officer Recommendation:
That the report be noted and accepted.

05.18.4320 RESOLVED on the motion Cr Roberts and o'Halloran that the report be noted.

Purpose of Report

To provide Council with a progress report on works, since the February meeting.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

There were no questions on Notice

CLOSED MEETING - CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

There were no Confidential Matters.

CLOSURE: There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.45pm.

Confirmed, Chairman of the Ordinary Meeting of Balranald Shire Council held on Tuesday 26th June 2018 at which the meeting the signature was subscribed hereto.

Chairman

General Manager