



PARKES SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES

TUESDAY 21 JUNE 2005

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Parkes Shire Council held at the Council Administration Centre, 2 Cecile Street, Parkes, commencing at 1:30 pm for the purpose of considering the items included on the Agenda.

GENERAL MANAGER: Alan McCormack

PRESENT

Councillor R I Wilson, (in the Chair)
Councillor P Byrne
Councillor J H Magill
Councillor B J Laing
Councillor W Scott

Councillor K J Keith
Councillor Y Hutton
Councillor K McGrath
Councillor G Pratt
Councillor B Newton

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager - A McCormack
Director Corporate Service - B Matthews
Director Planning & Environment - S Campbell
Director Operations - S Barry
Director Infrastructure - K Boyd
Administration Manager - L Finn
Finance Manager - R Bokeyar
Economic Development Manager – M Greenwood
Tourism Manager – M Kronk
Library Services Manager – M Barker
Minutes Secretary - T Prior

MEETING COMMENCEMENT

The Meeting commenced at 1.30pm.

1 PRAYER

The Mayor asked the General Manager to open proceedings with a prayer.

2 APOLOGIES

Nil.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

05 - 441 Resolution

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Parkes Shire Council held on 17 May 2005, copies of which have been forwarded to Councillors, be confirmed.

Moved Councillor Pratt, seconded Councillor McGrath.

CARRIED

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Robert I Wilson, OAM declared an interest in Item 11.2 (REASON Related entity to an individual mentioned in the report).

The Director of Infrastructure, K Boyd, declared an interest in Item 11.2 (REASON Interest in land mentioned in report).

5 MAYORAL MINUTES

5.1 Mayoral Minute - Austop Closure

Executive Summary

Elders announced on 8 June 2005 the phased shutdown of the Austop wool plant with a view to completion by 29 July 2005, costing 102 full time and 6 part time jobs at the Parkes facility. Details are attached.

Since the announcement, discussions have been held with senior Elders management and both Federal and State authorities to fill the void left by the closure. An updated report will be available for Council's 21 June 2005 meeting.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.
2. That Council continue concerted representations to secure replacement industry for Parkes; to access training programs for displaced staff and to find suitable alternative employment for those affected by the closure of Austop.

05 - 442 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

5.2 Mayoral Minute - Functions Attended

Executive Summary

A report on the functions recently attended by the Mayor, Councillors or Senior Staff in relation to community events or civic matters.

Recommendation

That the report of recent functions attended by the Mayor, Councillors or Senior Staff be received and noted.

05 - 443 Resolution

1. That the recommendation be adopted.
2. That it be noted that Councillor Y Hutton attended a meeting of the Royal NSW Canine Council in Orange on 29 May 2005 and that the Mayor, Councillor R Wilson, was unable to attend the anniversary celebrations at the Bogan Gate Golf Club on 12 June 2005.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

5.3 Mayoral Minute - Coming Known Events

Executive Summary

A report on the upcoming functions requiring the attendance of the Mayor, Councillors or Senior Staff in relation to community events or civic matters

Recommendation

That the report of upcoming functions for the Mayor, Councillors or Senior Staff be received and noted.

05 - 444 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

6 NOTICES OF MOTION/RESCISSION

Nil.

7 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

7.1 Report by Councillor Y Hutton - Royal NSW Canine Council Meeting, Orange

Executive Summary

The Royal NSW Canine Council held a meeting for dog owners in Orange on 29 May 2005. Many issues affecting dog owners and breeders were discussed including new laws to be introduced for restricted dog breeds.

Recommendation

1. That the information be noted.

05 - 445 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Wayne Scott, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

8 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 (ICR) - His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI

Executive Summary

Thanking Council for the kind message of good wishes forwarded on behalf of the citizens of Parkes Shire on the occasion of his election to the See of Peter.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.
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05 - 446 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

8.2 (ICR) Parkinson's Support Group - Parkes

Executive Summary

Advice has been received that Mr Ian Cooper has been appointed to carry out research on Parkinson's disease in Australian conditions.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.

05 - 447 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.
2. That Council again write to CENTROC member Councils seeking their support for the Parkinson's Research Project being auspiced by the Central West Parkinson's Group.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

8.3 (ICR) NSW Farmers Association - Parkes Drought Summit

Executive Summary

The Chief Executive of the NSW Farmers Association has written expressing the Association's gratitude for the way in which Parkes assisted in making the Summit a successful event.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.
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05 - 448 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

8.4 (ICR) NSW Farmers Association - Mental Health Agencies

Executive Summary

Replying to Council's correspondence raising the need for mental health issues to be given a high priority during the current drought crisis.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.

05 - 449 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

8.5 (ICR) Parkes High School - Donated Computers

Executive Summary

Thanking Council for the donation of surplus computers.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.

05 - 450 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.
2. That Council congratulate Neryle Smurthwaite on her recent appointment as Principal of Parkes High School.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Barbara Newton.

CARRIED

8.6 (ICR) Parkes Diggers Fishing Club - Restocking Dams

Executive Summary

The Parkes Diggers Fishing Club has requested permission to submit an application to the NSW Department of Fisheries to restock Lake Endeavour and Bushmans Dam with fish.

Recommendation

1. That the Parkes Diggers Fishing Club be advised of the current practice and that they be thanked for their offer of assistance.

05 - 451 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

8.7 (ICR) John Cobb, Member for Parkes - Drought Assistance

Executive Summary

Advice has been received that Drought Assistance is available under Country Women's Association Emergency Aid Grants.

Recommendation

1. That the information be circulated to local media, farmer representative groups and welfare outlets.

05 - 452 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

8.8 (ICR) NSW Rural Doctors Network Ltd - Bush Bursary

Executive Summary

Replying to Council's request for further information on the success to date of the Bush Bursary Scheme.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.

05 - 453 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.
2. That it be suggested to NSW Rural Doctors Network that they liaise with the Australian National University and Sydney University to target likely recipients of the Bush Bursary.
3. That schools in the Parkes and Forbes areas be approached to develop an awareness program for career opportunities in Local Government.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

8.9 (ICR) Greater Western Health Service - Trundle Doctor

Executive Summary

The Greater Western Health Service (GWHS) has replied to Council's request for the Service to assist with funding for a Residence for the Trundle Doctor. The Service has advised that it cannot assist.

Recommendation

1. The Council write again to the Chief Executive Officer of GWHS seeking advice on other forms of assistance that may be forthcoming through the various State Government Departments.

05 - 454 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

8.10 (ICR) Greater Western Health Service - Tullamore

Executive Summary

The Chief Executive of the Greater Western Health Service has advised that Tullamore will remain in the Mitchell Cluster of the Health Service.

Recommendation

1. That Council continue to press at the highest level, for Tullamore to be placed in the same Cluster as the other Health Services in the Parkes Shire.

05 - 455 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Barbara Newton, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

8.11 (ICR) National Servicemen's Association of Australia - Parkes Branch

Executive Summary

An invitation has been received requesting the Mayor and Councillors to attend a ceremony at the Cooke Park Cenotaph at 12noon on Sunday 3 July 2005, Reserve Forces Day.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.

05 - 456 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

8.12 (ICR) Parkes Chapter of the Compassionate Friends

Executive Summary

The Parkes Chapter of the Compassionate Friends has requested permission to install a park seat in Lions Park as a memorial to the Chapter's founding member, Mary McPhee, who sadly passed away in 2004.

Recommendation

1. That Council agree in principle to the request.
2. That the Lions Club of Parkes be contacted for comment in relation to the request before final approval is granted.
3. That in the event that approval is given, a condition requiring the installation of a suitably worded plaque be included.
4. That in the event that approval is given, the Chapter liaise with the Parkes and Gardens Supervisor to determine the most appropriate location for the installation of the seat.

05 - 457 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

8.13 (ICR) Kids Alive Do the Five - Request for Sponsorship

Executive Summary

The organisers of the "Kids Alive Do the Five" Drowning Prevention Campaign have again asked Council to sponsor their yearly visit to the Central West area.

Recommendation

1. That Council decline the invitation to sponsor the "Kids Alive Do the Five Campaign" in 2005.

05 - 458 Resolution

That the Alliance Councils be approached with a suggestion that the Alliance collectively fund the campaign.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

8.14 (ICR) - Peak Hill Central School - Request for Financial Assistance

Executive Summary

The Peak Hill Central School has asked Council to consider financially assisting the School to send students to the River Health Conference in Mildura in October of this year.

Recommendation

1. That Council advise that it cannot accede to the request on this occasion because of the precedent that it would set.

05 - 459 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

8.15 (ICR) - Peak Hill Central School - DA Application Fees

Executive Summary

Seeking reimbursement of fees and associates with the Development Application associated with the erection of their covered outdoor learning area.

Recommendation

1. That a contribution equivalent to the fees associated with the Development Application for the erection of the covered outdoor learning area be made to the Peak Hill Central School.

05 - 460 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Patrick Byrne, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

8.16 (ICR) Parkes Touch Association - Grant Application

Executive Summary

To advise of their intention to lodge an application for funding under the Sport & Recreation Grant Program to light Cheney Park and asking Council to commit funds for the project.

Recommendation

1. That Council give its in-principle support to the concept to allow an application to be made under the Department of Sports & Recreation Regional Sports Facility Grant Program for the lighting of Cheney Park.
2. That a working party of interested Councillors and the Economic Development Manager meet with representatives of the Parkes Touch Association to discuss the concept further.

05 - 461 Resolution

1. That the recommendations be adopted.
2. That Councillors Scott and Byrne be appointed to the working party.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

8.17 (ICR) Bush Tucker Day Committee - Sponsorship

Executive Summary

The Coordinators of the Annual Trundle Bush Tucker Day are seeking financial assistance from Council.

Recommendation

1. That the Trundle Consultative Committee be asked to comment on funds being made available from the Trundle Town Improvement Vote for the purpose.
2. That the level of funding available in the Special Events Vote be investigated.

05 - 462 Resolution

That Council investigate ways in which assistance can be provided to the organisers to assist with the staging of the Bush Tucker Day.

Moved Councillor Barbara Newton, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

9 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

9.1 (GM) Karina Park Fire - Update

Executive Summary

The inquiry into the Karina Park Fire has not yet been completed. Police advise they are completing reports for submission to the Coroner.

Recommendation

1. That the information be noted.
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05 - 463 Resolution

1. That the information be noted.
2. That the Commissioner be advised that the Coroner's investigation has not been progressed and requesting that he takes whatever action necessary to expedite the matter.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

9.2 (GM) Shires Association Annual Conference

Executive Summary

The conference was held in Sydney on 7 and 8 June 2005

Recommendation

1. That the report on the Shires Association Annual Conference be noted.

05 - 464 Resolution

1. That the report on the Shires Association Annual Conference be noted.
2. That letters be written to the incoming and retiring Presidents.

Moved Councillor Wayne Scott, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

9.3 (GM) Department of Local Government - Council Comparisons

Executive Summary

Comparative Information for NSW Councils for the year 2003/2004 has been published.

Recommendation

1. That the information regarding Department of Local Government Council comparisons be noted.
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05 - 465 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Wayne Scott, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

9.4 (GM) Conduct Committee

Executive Summary

Council is required by the Code of Conduct to establish a Conduct Committee. The Conduct Committee is responsible for making enquiries into allegations of breaches of the Code of Conduct and reporting its findings to Council.

Recommendation

1. That the Conduct Committee be established and that Mr Peter Croft from the BEC be invited to participate on the Committee.

05 - 466 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

10 DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES' REPORT

10.1 (DCS) Financial Information - May 2005

Executive Summary

A regular report is provided to Council in relation to a number of financial indicators, including investments, total monthly payments, receipting and collection of rate revenue.

Recommendation

That the report detailing accounts paid, rate revenue collected, receipts received and the bank reconciliation to 31 May, 2005 be received and noted.

05 - 467 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Barbara Newton, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

10.2 (DCS) Investments as at 31 May 2005

Executive Summary

As at 31 May 2005 Council held \$32,384,347.01 in investments

Recommendation

That the information be received and noted.

05 - 468 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

10.3 (DCS) Management Plan 2005/06 - 2007/08

Executive Summary

The draft Management Plan has been on display for the statutory period of 28 days. No submissions were received and the Council may now adopt the Plan

Recommendation

1. That Council formally adopt the Management Plan which consists of

Part 1: The statement of principal activities, objectives, performance targets, means and manner of assessment; and

Part 2: The statement of Revenue Policy including the Estimates of Income and Expenditure, and the Rates, Charges and Fees for 2005/2006, as submitted to the Council Meeting held on 17 May 2005 and subject to any alteration or amendments resulting from the consideration of the submissions received on the Management Plan.

2. That the expenditure detailed in the Revenue Policy be approved and the necessary monies voted to meet the expenditure in satisfaction of Clause 17(1) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1993.
3. That rates be made as follows:

Residential General:

An ordinary rate of one point one two nine seven cents (1.1297 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Residential General, be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$19,009.00.

Residential Parkes Rate:

An ordinary rate of two point four six five six eight cents (2.46568 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Residential, sub-categorised as Residential Parkes be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$8,710.00.

Business - General:

An ordinary rate of three point five six zero nine two cents (3.56092 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Business General, be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$6,031.00.

Business – CBD:

An ordinary rate of six point zero five zero zero nine cents (6.05009 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Business, sub-categorised as Business – CBD be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$3,550.00.

Business – Peak Hill:

An ordinary rate of three point zero four one three four cents (3.04134 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Business, sub-categorised as Business – Peak Hill be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$7,061.00.

Business – Trundle:

An ordinary rate of eight point nine one four eight seven cents (8.91487 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Business, sub-categorised as Business – Trundle be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$2,409.00.

Business – Tullamore:

An ordinary rate of seven point five eight nine nine six cents (7.58996 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Business, sub-categorised as Business – Tullamore be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$2,829.00.

Business – Bogan Gate:

An ordinary rate of two point eight six two two nine cents (2.86229 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Business, sub-categorised as Business – Bogan Gate be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$7,503.00.

Mining – Copper (Producing):

An ordinary rate of four point five five seven four one cents (4.55741 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Mining, sub-categorised as Mining – Copper Producing be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$4,712.00.

Mining – Gold (Producing):

An ordinary rate of fourteen point three seven five seven cents (14.3757 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Mining, sub-categorised as Mining – Gold Producing be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$1,494.00.

Mining – (General):

An ordinary rate of six point nine three eight one two cents (6.93812 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Mining, be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$3,095.00.

Farmland:

An ordinary rate of point nine six seven four one four cents (0.967414 cents) in the dollar on the land value of all rateable lands categorised as Farmland, be now made for the 2005/2006 rating period, subject to a minimum amount of two hundred and fourteen dollars and seventy five cents (\$214.75) for each assessment with a land value not exceeding \$22,198.00.

4. That the fees and charges be made in accordance with the draft Management Plan.

Further, that as clarification, Council apply the three year phase in period of water and sewer charges for residential flats and units (as with non residential premises).

5. That the maximum rate of interest on unpaid rates and charges accruing on a daily basis in accordance with Section 566(3) of the Local Government Act, 1993, be now fixed at 9.0% for the 2005/2006 rating year."

05 - 469 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

10.4 (DCS) Currajong Disability Services Inc

Executive Summary

A request has been received from Currajong Disability Services Inc for a rebate on the rates and charges for 2005/2006 for their Westview Group Home property situated at 59 High Street, Parkes.

Recommendation

1. That Council make a contribution towards the rates on the Currajong Disability Services Inc's Westview Group Home at 59 High Street, Parkes in the amount of \$425.00 being equivalent to a pensioner rebate on the property for the 2005/2006 financial year.

05 - 470 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Patrick Byrne, seconded Councillor Barbara Newton.

CARRIED

10.5 (DCS) Library Services Monthly Update May 2005

Executive Summary

Information submitted to Council on the activities of the Library during the month of May 2005.

Recommendation

1. That the information contained in the Library Services Monthly Update for May 2005 be received and noted.

05 - 471 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

10.6 (DCS) Library Services Statistics - May 2005

Executive Summary

Library usage statistics for the month of May 2005 are provided for the information of Councillors. No major variations in the figures from previous periods are evident.

Recommendation

That the information on Library Services Statistics for May 2005 be noted.

05 - 472 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Barbara Newton.

CARRIED

10.7 (DCS) Tourism Update May/June 2005

Executive Summary

A brief update of general Shire tourism activities.

Recommendation

1. That the Tourism Update be received and noted.

05 - 473 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

10.8 (DCS) Tourism - Western Visitor Radio

Executive Summary

Western Visitor Radio has requested Council continue its tourist information service on FM88 in 2005/6.

Recommendation

1. That Council continue its Visitor Radio FM88 information service in the 2005/6 financial year.

05 - 474 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

10.9 (DCS) Economic Development - Drought Crisis Activity

Executive Summary

Council has been actively involved in planning for a Drought Family Gathering in Bogan Gate on 24 June 2005 and for the ABARE Regional Outlook Conference in the Coventry Room on 29 June 2005. Councillors Keith, Magill and Byrne, together with the Economic Development Manager, have been involved in planning meetings for Bogan Gate, while Council has previously resolved to provide facilities in the Coventry Room for the ABARE conference for which widespread publicity is being arranged.

Recommendation

1. That the information regarding drought crisis activity be received and noted.

05 - 475 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

10.10 (DCS) Economic Development - Cultural Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

The newly formed Parkes Shire Cultural Advisory Committee convened for the first time on 7 June 2005. Councillor Newton was elected to Chair the committee, with Mr Warwick Tom the Deputy Chairman and Mr Michael Barker Secretary/Treasurer. Minutes of the meeting are attached.

Recommendation

1. That the information regarding the Parkes Shire Cultural Advisory Committee be received and noted.

05 - 476 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Patrick Byrne, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

10.11 (DCS) Economic Development - Capital Assistance Program 2005-2006

Executive Summary

Council has been asked to promote community awareness of this annual grants program and to consider submitting projects under its own banner. Details are outlined in a letter to Council (attached) from the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation (the Hon Sandra Nori MP).

Recommendation

1. That Council promote extensively across the Shire the availability of sport and recreation grant funds under the State Government's Capital Assistance Program.

05 - 477 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

10.12 (DCS) Economic Development - Henry Parkes Foundation

Executive Summary

Council was represented by Councillor Hutton, the Library Services Manager and the Economic Development Manager at a function in the State Library on 26 May 2005 to commemorate the 190th anniversary of the birth of Sir Henry Parkes. Council's liaison with the Foundation continues to generate unique promotional opportunities for the Parkes community, given the indissoluble link with one of the nation's most influential 19th century political leaders.

Recommendation

1. That Council match the Henry Parkes Foundation grant of \$500.00 to enable Parkes Public School to attend the 2005 Seventh Henry Parkes Citizenship Convention for primary schools in Sydney.
2. That the Henry Parkes Foundation be invited to stage the fourth Henry Parkes Oration in the Coventry Room in 2006.

05 - 478 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Yvonne Hutton, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

10.13 (DCS) Economic Development - World Quota President

Executive Summary

Parkes Quota Club has asked Council to consider convening a civic reception on Saturday, 30 July 2005 at 5.00 pm to formally acknowledge the election of club member Mrs Carolyn Rice as International Quota President. Carolyn will be installed as President in Washington DC on 7 July 2005 and will serve twelve months in the coveted post.

Recommendation

1. That Council agree to extend a civic reception to Mrs Carolyn Rice and the Quota movement as requested on Saturday, 30 July 2005 from 5.00 pm.

05 - 479 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

10.14 (DCS) Economic Development - Country Week Promotion, 5 to 7 August 2005

Executive Summary

The Country Week Committee met in Molong on 24 May 2005 to discuss a regional stand at this show at Rosehill Racecourse. CENTROC have given support to a regional stand and has designated their Project Manager, Donna Farragher to assist Councils.

There are seven confirmed Councils for the regional stand. Some Councils have decided to go on their own for various reasons. The seven Councils attending are Weddin, Parkes, Lithgow, Lachlan, Cowra, Cabonne and Bathurst.

Emphasis will be placed on lifestyle and employment options. For Parkes Shire specific details are being assembled on skill shortages and employment opportunities.

Recommendation

1. Council participate in Country Week as part of a Central NSW cooperative presence.

05 - 480 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Bev Laing.

CARRIED

At this stage of the meeting the Mayor conducted a citizenship ceremony for Mr Victor Hernandez Torres.

At this stage the meeting adjourned at 3.09 pm for afternoon tea.

The meeting resumed at 3.38 pm.

10.15 (DCS) Economic Development - TAFE Showcase

Executive Summary

Councillor John Magill represented Council at a function on 8 June 2005 to showcase the range of Parkes TAFE campus courses and facilities. Councillor Magill also presented A W Guillan Memorial Bursaries for 2004/2005 to Jamie White, Lisa Roberts, Susan Cossar and Anita Turnbull.

Recommendation

1. That the information regarding the TAFE Showcase and AW Guillan Memorial Bursaries be received and noted.

05 - 481 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

10.16 (DCS) Hire of Coventry Room - Parkes Shire Library and Exhibition Centre

Executive Summary

The fees payable by community groups and other users of the Coventry Room in the Parkes Shire Library and Exhibition Centre has been discussed by Council on many previous occasions. A simplified concessional hiring fee is proposed to overcome difficulties with the current system.

Recommendation

1. That the Coventry Room Policy be altered to incorporate the Concessional Hiring Fee Categorisation of users and implemented effective 1 July 2005.
2. That the Coventry Room Policy be altered to prohibit the use of the rooms for business purposes that would have a detrimental or counter-commercial impact on local businesses (itinerant traders).
3. The application of the Policy be reported to Council on a 6 monthly basis.

05 - 482 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Bev Laing.

CARRIED

11 DIRECTOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT'S REPORT

11.1 (DPE) DA05099: Proposed Carport at 27 Blaxland Street, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05099

Applicant: Mr B Ryan

Property: Lot 4 DP 828038, 27 Blaxland Street, Parkes

Proposal: Carport

Executive Summary

An application has been received for the erection of a 15 metre squared, flat-roofed carport on the Lot 4 DP 828038, 27 Blaxland Street, Parkes.

The subject land is situated on the eastern side of Blaxland Street, and the proposed carport encroaches 3.0 metres into the required six (6.0) metre front building alignment of the site fronting Blaxland Street.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be refused on the grounds that the proposed siting of the carport on the allotment would create an undesirable precedent, and may adversely impact on traffic safety for the neighbouring resident on the adjoining land.

05 - 483 Resolution

1. It is recommended that the application be refused on the grounds that the proposed siting of the carport on the allotment would create an undesirable precedent, and may adversely impact on traffic safety for the neighbouring resident on the adjoining land.
2. That a review of Council's Setback Policy in relation to carports be undertaken.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

Councillor Robert I Wilson, OAM and the Director of Infrastructure, Kent Boyd, left the meeting temporarily at 3.53 pm.

11.2 (DPE) DA05075: Proposed Subdivision at 'Box Hill' Bindogundra Parish, Parkes Shire

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05075

Applicant: Mr K Boyd

Property: Lot 1 DP 1064722, Lot 21 DP 750135, Lot 35 DP 750135, Lot 43 DP 750135, Lot 49 DP 750135, Lot 68 DP 750135, Lot 7 DP 750135, Lot 77 DP 750135, Lot 86 DP 750135, Lot 87 DP 750135, 'Box Hill' Bindogundra Parish, Parkes Shire

Proposal: Subdivision

Executive Summary

Council has received an application for the subdivision of land into four lots with a road boundary adjustment.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.

05 - 484 Resolution

1. It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.
2. That conditions 17 and 18 be altered to refer to the Director of Operations instead of the Director of Infrastructure.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

Councillor Robert I Wilson, OAM and the Director of Infrastructure, Kent Boyd, rejoined the meeting at 3.57 pm.

11.3 (DPE) DA05084: Proposed Recreation Establishment at Lot 791 DP 859547 Houston Parish, Parkes Shire

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05084

Applicant: Mr J Evans

Property: Lot 791 DP 859547 'Mamre Farm' Houston Parish, Parkes Shire

Proposal: Recreation Establishment (6 cabins)

Executive Summary

The development application is for six cabins to be used by visitors to the Vision Ministries site located near Alectown.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.

05 - 485 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

11.4 (DPE) DA05102: Proposed Dwelling, Garage and Swimming Pool at Lot 2 DP 576774 Orange Road, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05102

Applicant: Ms C Shaw

Property: Lot 2 DP 576774, Orange Road, Parkes

Proposal: Dwelling, Garage and Swimming Pool

Executive Summary

The application is for a five bedroom brick veneer dwelling on an existing rural allotment located on the corner of Orange Road and Military Road Parkes.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.

05 - 486 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

11.5 (DPE) DA05098: Proposed Shed at Lot 32 DP 1064395 Medlyn Street, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05098

Applicant: Mr A Lowe

Property: Lot 32 DP 1064395, Medlyn Street, Parkes

Proposal: Shed

Executive Summary

An application has been received for the erection of a machinery shed at the above property on Medlyn Street.

It is proposed to locate a machinery shed, dimensions 18 metres x 12 metres x 3.6 metres high (at the eave) to the west of the house yard at the subject premises. The building will be located at a distance of only 7 metres from the western boundary, which is not consistent with the 10 metre building setback stipulated in Council's Development Control Plan for Rural Small Holdings 1998. There are considered to be justifiable grounds for the departures from the side setback requirements and the application is referred to Council for determination.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.

05 - 487 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Bev Laing.

CARRIED

11.6 (DPE) DA05101: Proposed Machinery Shed at Lot 2 DP 839650 Birch Road, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05101

Applicant: Mr B & Mrs J Whipps

Property: Lot 2 DP 839650, Birch Road, Parkes

Proposal: Machinery Shed

Executive Summary

An application has been received for the erection of a machinery shed at the above property on Birch Road.

It is proposed to locate a shed, dimensions 9 metres x 12 metres x 3.6 metres high (at the eave), at the rear of the premises. The building will be located at a distance of only 4 metres from the eastern boundary and 10 metres from the southern boundary, which is not consistent with the 10 metre building setback stipulated in Council's Development Control Plan for Rural Small Holdings 1998. There are considered to be justifiable grounds for the departures from the side setback requirements and the application is referred to Council for determination.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.

05 - 488 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Patrick Byrne, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

11.7 (DPE) DA05088: Proposed Shed at 28 Kelly Road, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05088

Applicant: Mr M Job

Property: Lot 1 DP 792446, 28 Kelly Road, Parkes

Proposal: Shed

Executive Summary

An application has been received for the erection of a storage shed at the above property on Kelly Road.

It is proposed to locate a shed, dimensions 9 metres x 7 metres x 3.0 metres high (at the eave) at the rear of the premises. The building will be located at a distance of only 3 metres from the western and 11 metres from the northern boundary, which is not consistent with the 10 metre building setback stipulated in Council's Development Control Plan for Rural Small Holdings 1998. There are considered to be justifiable grounds for the departures from the side setback requirements and the application is referred to Council for determination.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to conditions contained in the report.

05 - 489 Resolution

1. It is recommended that the application be approved subject to conditions contained in the report.
2. That Council review its Setback Policy in areas zoned 1(c)

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

11.8 (DPE) DA05009: Proposed Residential Units at Lot 21 DP 841023 Wilga Street, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05009

Applicant: Golden West Construction Pty Ltd

Property: Lot 21 DP 841023, Wilga Street, Parkes

Proposal: Residential Units

Executive Summary

An application has been received for six residential units on vacant residential land known as Lot 21 DP 841023. Three submissions, including a petition were received by Council either objecting or raising concerns with the proposal. The proposed development is consistent with the requirements of the Residential Code 1998 and can be conditionally approved.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.

05 - 490 Resolution

1. It is recommended that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report.
2. That the matter relating to on street parking restrictions in Wilga Street not be referred to the Traffic Committee at this time
3. That on street parking in Wilga Street be monitored for a period of twelve months.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

11.9 (DPE) DA05064: Proposed Garage at 19 Mingelo Street, Peak Hill

Development Application Information

Application No: DA05064

Applicant: Mr B Gibellini

Property: Lot 1 DP 35496, 19 Mingelo Street, Peak Hill

Proposal: Garage

Executive Summary

An application has been received for the erection of a 3 car garage on Lot 1, DP35496, 19 Mingelo Street, Peak Hill. The garage is 6 metres wide x 10.3 metres long x 2.4 metres high at the eave with an overall height of 3.1 metres to the peak of the roof.

At its meeting on the 19 April, 2005 Council considered a building line variation locating the shed 900mm from the Mingelo Street boundary. Consideration was deferred to allow the applicant to review other alternatives as Council was not convinced of the need for the variation. Council was concerned regarding the impact on the streetscape to Mingelo Street, Peak Hill.

The applicant has provided Council with additional information showing an alternate site for consideration. The alternate complies with the requirements of Parkes Shire Councils' Residential Code Development Control Plan, 1998. The applicant's preference for the location of the proposed shed is in the original position considered by Council at its 19 April meeting. This site does not comply with the setback provisions contained within Council's Residential Code, Development Control Plan, 1998.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the application be approved on the alternate location proposed by the applicant subject to the conditions contained herein.

05 - 491 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

11.10 (DPE) Rezoning Request - Lot 607 DP 750179, Wellington Road, Parkes

Executive Summary

A letter has been received from a local house and land developer, I & SB Homes Pty Ltd, requesting Council make representations to the State Government to have an existing rural allotment of land rezoned from 1(a) Rural 'A' to 2(v) Urban and Village.

Recommendation

1. That Council write to I & SB Developments advising that following advice from the Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources that their request to rezone land known as Lot 607 DP 750179 from 1(a) Rural 'A' to 2(v) Urban and Village will be considered in the context of the Shire Wide Planning Review, due to commence in 2005.

05 - 492 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

11.11 (DPE) NSW Food Regulation Partnership

Executive Summary

The NSW Food Authority has released an Exposure Draft of a model for a food regulation partnership between NSW Local and State Governments.

The model was released to give all stakeholders the opportunity to make final input before it is presented to the NSW Government for consideration.

Recommendation

1. That the attached submission on the NSW Food Regulation Partnership be endorsed.

05 - 493 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

11.12 (DPE) Museum Masterplan

Executive Summary

A revised Masterplan for the Museum site and drawings of the Motor Museum have been issued by Peter Dunn, Chartered Architects. Council's approval is required to proceed to tender stage for the Motor Museum facility.

Recommendation

1. That Council instruct Peter Dunn, Chartered Architect to document the project to tender stage.

05 - 494 Resolution

1. That the design be investigated to accommodate Council's budget of \$500,000.00.
2. That Council instruct a quantity surveyor to analyse the project cost.

Moved Councillor Patrick Byrne, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

11.13 (DPE) Minutes of Museum Exhibition Development Working Group - 30 May 2005

Executive Summary

A Museum Exhibition Working Group meeting was held on Monday, 30 May 2005, the minutes are following.

Recommendation

1. That the Minutes of the Museum Exhibition Development working Group held on Monday, 30 May 2005 be noted.

05 - 495 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

11.14 (DPE) Lachlan Medical Workforce Group

Executive Summary

Representations have been received from Cabonne Council seeking Parkes Council's views on the re-establishment of the Lachlan Medical Workforce Group.

Recommendation

1. That Cabonne Council be advised that Parkes Council strongly supports the reformation of the Lachlan Medical Workforce Group.

05 - 496 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

11.15 (DPE) May 2005 - Building Statistics

Executive Summary

During the month of May 2005 there were twenty (20) Development Applications received totalling \$3,888,530.00 and thirteen consents issued.

Five (5) Complying Development Certificates were received totalling \$163,439.00 and five consents issued.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.

05 - 497 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

11.16 (DPE) Impounding Report - April/May 2005

Executive Summary

A regular report is provided to Council on Ranger activities including impounding statistics.

Recommendation

1. That the information be noted.

05 - 498 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

12 DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS' REPORT

12.1 (DO) Major Works Status as at June 2005

Executive Summary

Other than routine maintenance, major works that have been carried out over the past month are reported below.

Recommendation

1. That the information on Major Works Status as at June 2005 be noted.

05 - 499 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

12.2 (DO) Regional Roads - Funding

Executive Summary

Advice has been received from the Hon Edward Obeid, OAM, Duty MLC for Dubbo, advising that Council has been allocated \$1,303,000 for Regional Roads in Parkes Shire.

Recommendation

That the information on funding received for Regional Roads be noted.

05 - 500 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

12.3 (DO) 2005/06 Regional Roads 'REPAIR' Program

Executive Summary

Advice has been received that the submission for REPAIR funding for MR354 has been approved. The works include constructing a further 2.9 kilometres between MR57 and the previous works, approximately 4.0 kilometres from Tullamore.

The submission for reconstruction of MR350S was unsuccessful.

Recommendation

That the information on the REPAIR Grant for MR354 be noted.

05 - 501 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

12.4 (DO) Roads to Recovery Programme - Extension to 2008/09

Executive Summary

Letters have been received from The Hon John Anderson MP, Deputy Prime Minister, and Minister for Transport and Regional Services, Leader of the Nationals, advising of the extension of the Roads to Recovery Programme until 2008/09, and advising that Council's allocation over the next four years will be \$3,127,631. The allocation is slightly less than the previous programme's allocation of \$3,160,246.

The Roads to Recovery Programme has been a welcome relief to Councils across Australia and has enabled the decline of the local road system to be partially addressed.

A report will be put to a future Council meeting outlining proposals for the allocation of the 2005/06 funds.

Recommendation

1. That Council write to The Hon John Anderson MP congratulating the Government for extending the Roads to Recovery Programme and encouraging them to continue the drive for additional funding to further arrest the declining road infrastructure across Australia.

05 - 502 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Barbara Newton.

CARRIED

12.5 (DO) Rural Fire Service - Brigade Station Standards

Executive Summary

NSW Rural Fire Service have developed design and construction standards for future Brigade stations. Feedback on the proposed standards has been requested with submissions received up to 31 July 2005.

It is considered that the proposed standards are reasonable given that several options are provided to suit the demand.

Recommendation

That a submission be lodged advising that Council supports the creation of the Brigade Station Standards and that the flexibility of options to suit the varying needs of rural areas is important to be retained.

05 - 503 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Patrick Byrne, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

12.6 (DO) Waratah Bushfire Brigade - Truck on Loan

Executive Summary

A letter has been received from the Waratah Bushfire Brigade requesting that Council assist them to retain the existing vehicle until the replacement vehicle is obtained.

The Brigade advise that a petrol vehicle is unacceptable.

Recommendation

That the RFS be requested to provide a diesel tanker as the loan vehicle until a permanent replacement is purchased.

05 - 504 Resolution

1. That the RFS be requested to provide a diesel tanker as the loan vehicle until a permanent replacement is purchased.
2. That the RFS be requested to accelerate the replacement program so that the vehicles will be available for front line service for the ensuing summer.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

12.7 (DO) Street Lighting - Pioneer Street Parkes

Executive Summary

A request has been received for street lighting to be installed in Pioneer Street Parkes. Inspection indicates that there is no lighting existing between the Newell Highway and Charles Rigg Avenue and the area is very dark for road users.

Quotations have been sought from Country Energy for the provision of a light in the vicinity of the new housing and a report will be brought back to Council when the prices are received.

Recommendation

1. That the information on the request for street lighting to be installed in Pioneer Street Parkes be noted.

05 - 505 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

12.8 (DO) Removal of Payphone - Kelly Reserve, Parkes

Executive Summary

A reply has been received from Telstra on Councils request to reinstall the payphone at Kelly Reserve, Parkes. Telstra advise that they consider their Universal Service Obligations are satisfied and suggest that Council may wish to install a pay phone either inside or outside the Tourist Centre.

It is also noted in the letter that a pay phone exists at the corner of Rose Street.

Recommendation

1. That the information provided by Telstra on pay phones be noted.

05 - 506 Resolution

1. That the information provided by Telstra on pay phones be noted.
2. That Council write to Gavin Priestly of Telstra Countrywide advising of Council's dissatisfaction with the decision to remove the pay phone at Kelly Reserve.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

12.9 (DO) Parkes Airport Use - Skydiving

Executive Summary

Skydive Oz have indicated that they wish to operate tandem skydiving activities at Parkes Airport on 2/3 July 2005. They have previously operated from Parkes Airport and their activities have proven very popular.

Approval for the use of the airport will require them to provide evidence of adequate insurance cover, as well as them contacting the RPT Operator to avoid conflict with their services.

Recommendation

1. That Skydive Oz be granted approval for the use of Parkes Airport for tandem skydiving activities on 2/3 July 2005 subject to provision of evidence of not less than \$10 Million Public Liability Insurance and arrangements being made with RPT Services to avoid conflict.

05 - 507 Resolution

1. That the recommendation be adopted.
2. That the conditions contained in the recommendation also apply for activities on 12/13 November 2005.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Bev Laing.

CARRIED

12.10 (DO) Laneway Construction - Peak Hill

Executive Summary

A letter has been received from a resident of 2 Caswell Street, Peak Hill requesting that Council address an issue with a laneway behind their property. The resident advises that the laneway is used daily by vehicles and is in bad condition creating a dust problem.

Recommendation

1. That the resident be advised that Council cannot construct and seal the laneway due to funding constraints, but that steps will be taken to restrict access to the Newell Highway via Bivana Street to reduce traffic numbers.

05 - 508 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

13 DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE'S REPORT

13.1 (DI) Acquisition of Lot 718 DP726952 and part of Lot 7070 DP1058313

Executive Summary

To facilitate the future road network, it is proposed to acquire the land adjacent to and East of Lot 683 DP750179 which includes Lot 718 DP 736952 and part of Lot 7070 DP 1058313 which is bounded by Hartigan Avenue and the Orange - Broken Hill Railway Line at Goobang Junction.

Recommendation

1. That Council acquire Lot 718 DP 726952 and part of Lot 7070 DP 1058313 as identified in the report by compulsory process in accordance with Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 and make the necessary application to the Minister and/or Governor.
2. That upon acquisition, that the land be classified as operational.

05 - 509 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

13.2 (DI) 2005 Great Endeavour - Kingaroy to Coffs Harbour via Tasmania Car Rally will pass through Parkes

Executive Summary

A letter has been received from the Darling Downs branch of the Endeavour Foundation advising the 2005 Great Endeavour Car Rally will pass through Parkes on 15 July 2005. They intend to stop at the Railway Hotel for lunch. The rally will include approximately 90 vehicles. The organisers have indicated that the money raised is for helping intellectually handicapped people.

Recommendation

1. That the Great Endeavour Foundation letter is acknowledged and the event advertised in Council's normal event calendars.
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05 - 510 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

13.3 (DI) Request to Close Baker Street, Parkes

Executive Summary

A request has been received from the Parkes Touch Association, Parkes and District Netball Association, and Parkes Hockey Incorporated to close Baker Street, thereby improving safety at the McGlynn/Cheney Sporting Complex. Previous requests have been received and as a consequence traffic facilities were installed to slow vehicles. Since that time the netball complex has been developed and considerably more pedestrian activity will occur.

Recommendation

1. That Council agree in principle to the closure of Baker Street between the Western and Eastern carpark entrances.
2. That the proposed closure be advertised and submissions requested.
3. That the matter, with submissions, be referred to the Local Traffic Committee for consideration and future recommendation back to Council.

05 - 511 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Wayne Scott, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

14 CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Nil.

15 QUESTIONS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY

15.1 Parking in Bogan Street - Vicinity of Kmart Bi/Lo

Councillor K McGrath advises that he has been approached by the resident at 50 Bogan Street, Parkes regarding not being able to park outside his house as a consequence of parked vehicles associated with the Kmart/BiLo development.

Additionally Councillor McGrath is concerned that the road verge trees are taking up valuable parking spaces in Bogan Street.

The Director of Infrastructure advises that letters have been received from the resident previously, which were subsequently referred to Local Traffic Committee. However, because Bogan Street is a Federal Highway it was beyond the delegated authority of the local Traffic Committee. Accordingly the matter was referred to the Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA). Council's letter in part advised as follows;

"Council has received letters from Mr Ted Gibbons of 50 Bogan Street and the Parkes TAFE, expressing concern about vehicles parking both inappropriately and for prolonged periods, in the above section of Bogan Street. Council also has concerns about the pedestrians crossing Bogan Street, both from a safety perspective and centre island garden maintenance viewpoint.

The matter was referred to the 18 May 2004 Council Meeting where it was resolved that concerns be referred to the Roads and Traffic Authority for investigation.

Council further resolved to suggest the Roads and Traffic Authority consider trialling half hour timed parking (residents exempted) on the western side of Bogan Street from Church Street to Bushman Street. In this regard, your advice would be appreciated"

In reply the RTA advised in part;

"...the property in question has a lane running beside it on the south (which accesses units behind) which accesses a double garage located on the property. There is sufficient space between the lane and the doors to the garage to park two cars....."

Public roads exist for all road users, and although it is nice to be able to park in front of your own property, there is no legal right to have that provided, and development consents are usually conditional upon providing sufficient on-site parking (referring to the Kmart/BiLo Consent)..."

With respect to trees, an extensive consultation process was involved with the design. Comments were called and received. Road trees were considered an important component of the design, they are intended to create confinement as they grow thereby influencing driver behaviour and generally cause traffic to slow down. Trees are also intended to provide beautification for Bogan Street. Trees have been planted to maximise parking however, depending on how drivers choose to park the trees may cause a minor reduction in on-street parking.

Recommendation

That the information supplied by the Director of Infrastructure be noted.

05 - 512 Resolution

1. That the information supplied by the Director of Infrastructure be noted.
2. That Council refer the matter of two hour parking, with residential exemption, in Bogan Street adjacent to the Kmart/BiLo development to the RTA.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

15.2 Emergency Vehicles Speeding in Town Limits

Councillor K McGrath enquired as to the regulations in relation to emergency vehicles speeding in the town limits.

The Director of Infrastructure advises the Australian Road Rules, Part 19 "Exemptions", clause 305 "Exemptions for drivers of emergency vehicles" provides general exemptions to the driver of an emergency vehicle if:

- (a) *in the circumstances:*
 - (i) *the driver is taking reasonable care; and*
 - (ii) *it is reasonable that the rule should not apply; and*
- (b) *if the vehicle is a motor vehicle that is moving - the vehicle is displaying a blue or red flashing light or sounding an alarm.*

In recognition of the above provisions, the driver of an emergency vehicle responding to an emergency situation, in an emergency vehicle which is displaying a blue or red flashing light or sounding an alarm, potentially has exemptions to the Australian Road Rules.

Recommendation

That the information supplied by the Director of Infrastructure be noted.

05 - 513 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

15.3 Speeding in Welcome Street, Parkes

Councillor G Pratt advises that he has had a number of complaints from the public and shop owners regarding the use of Welcome Street as a 'drag strip' for young drivers. Persons crossing both ways have had near misses, especially at night. Suggestions put forth include raised crossing, better lighting etc. Something needs to be done before someone is injured or even killed. Drivers seem to delight in accelerating from Clarinda Street down Welcome Street.

The Director of Infrastructure advises that Council has approached the Roads and Traffic Authority for funds to implement 40 kph speed zones in Clarinda and Welcome Streets. A component of the project is a raised crossing in Welcome Street. The proposed Welcome Street crossing would combine with existing and proposed structures to control vehicle speed in Clarinda and Welcome Streets from Bushman Street to Cecile Street.

Recommendation

That the information supplied by the Director of Infrastructure be noted.

05 - 514 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

15.4 PAC Park, Parkes

Councillor G Pratt advises that he has been approached regarding the condition of PAC Park, Parkes. Of particular concern is the waterway in Austral Street which has a build up of rubbish and could pose a health problem.

Councillor G Pratt also enquired when the upgrade of the park area is to begin.

The Director of Operations advises that Council will investigate what action can be taken in the short term to clean up the waterway.

The Director of Infrastructure advises that the design masterplan for PAC Park is being prepared by Ratio Consultants of Melbourne

Recommendation

That the information supplied by the Director of Operations and Director of Infrastructure be noted.

05 - 515 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Yvonne Hutton, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

15.5 Integrated Water Plan - Grant Money

Councillor Y Hutton enquired as to where Council is using grant money for Integrated Water Plan.

The Director of Infrastructure advises that the NSW Government's announcement relating to the provision of funds for an Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Plan for Parkes, relates to the IWCM plan completed in January 2005. It is not new or additional money.

Recommendation

That the information supplied by the Director of Infrastructure be noted.

05 - 516 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Yvonne Hutton, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

15.6 Peak Hill Leisure Centre

Councillor Y Hutton enquired as to who owns the Peak Hill Leisure Centre building and is concerned at its condition.

The Director Planning and Environment advises that the Peak Hill Leisure Centre is owned by Parkes Shire Council and managed/occupied by Peak Hill Leisure Arts and Craft Council Inc. The Council pays rates, insurance and maintenance costs and PHCA & CC Inc reimburse Council for the power costs. No contribution is made by the group or set aside by Council for long term maintenance.

The following short to medium term works are required to the building:

	<i>Estimate</i>
<i>External painting</i>	<i>\$10,000.00</i>
<i>Internal repairs</i>	<i>\$5,000.00</i>
<i>Pigeon proofing</i>	<u><i>\$3,000.00</i></u>
	<i>\$18,000.00</i>

Quotations are currently being obtained for external painting of the building which could be funded from unexpended local heritage fund monies and from Town Improvement Vote.

Council is aware of the internal cracking and has been monitoring same. Some stormwater works were undertaken to alleviate the situation.

Recommendation

1. That the Senior Development Officer continue to seek quotes for external painting of the Peak Hill Leisure Centre.
2. That the Senior Development Officer prepare a report on the internal cracking and repairs to the Peak Hill Leisure Centre.

05 - 517 Resolution

1. That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Yvonne Hutton, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

15.7 Trewilga Cemetery

Councillor Y Hutton advises that she has been approached by families who would like the Trewilga Cemetery covered by the National Trust Heritage Listing.

Additionally she has heard that the RTA may relocate the Newell Highway through the cemetery.

The Director Planning and Environment advises that his Department was not aware of the existence of the cemetery and does not hold any records.

The Director of Infrastructure advises that inquiries will be made to the RTA to determine their intentions in relation to rerouting the Newell Highway in the location.

Recommendation

1. That the matter of including the Trewilga Cemetery in the National Trust Heritage Listing be referred to the Heritage Adviser for report.
2. That the information supplied by the Director of Infrastructure be noted.

05 - 518 Resolution

1. That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Yvonne Hutton, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

15.8 Peak Hill Mine Model

Councillor Y Hutton advises that she has been approached by residents of Peak Hill regarding the whereabouts of the Peak Hill Mine Model.

The Director Planning and Environment advises that the Peak Hill Mine Model is being stored at the Carrington Building. Ongoing discussions are being held with Peak Hill Crafts and Information Centre concerning return of the model to the Lindner Building

Recommendation

That the information supplied by the Director Planning and Environment be noted.

05 - 519 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Yvonne Hutton, seconded Councillor Bev Laing.

CARRIED

The meeting of the Ordinary Council meeting was closed to the public at 5.41 pm.

The Mayor asked the Meeting whether it agreed that the items listed by the General Manager appeared to be items which should be discussed in closed session for the reasons given.

The General Manager advised that there were no written representations from the public on the proposed closure of the Council Meeting.

05 - 520 Resolution

That the meeting be closed for consideration of the listed items as they involve: information that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business, personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors) and commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

16 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS

16.1 (GM) Peak Hill Gold Mine

Prepared By: General Manager

Executive Summary

The report from GHD into Alkane's compliance with conditions of consent has been received.

Recommendation

1. That the information be noted.
2. That Council request and pursue compliance with the conditions.

05 - 521 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

16.2 (GM) Parkes Golf Club

Prepared By: General Manager

Executive Summary

Discussions have been held with the Parkes Golf Club regarding an outstanding debt to Council.

Recommendation

1. That the Club be informed that half the agreed monthly payments will be required until 1 January 2007 at which time full repayments are to recommence.

05 - 522 Resolution

1. That the Club be informed that half the previously agreed monthly payments will be required from 1 January 2006 and that full repayments will recommence from 1 January 2007.

Moved Councillor Yvonne Hutton, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

16.3 (GM) Occupational Health and Safety Meeting Minutes - 17 March 2005

Prepared By: Human Resource Manager

Executive Summary

The minutes of the Occupational Health and Safety Meeting of 17 March 2005 are attached.

Recommendation

1. That the recommendations of the Occupational Health and Safety Meeting Minutes be received and noted.

05 - 523 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

16.4 (DCS) Sale of Land - Lot 141 DP1071623

Prepared By: Director of Corporate Services

Executive Summary

To assist in securing the establishment of a significant manufacturing business in Parkes, Council offered residential land at a competitive price to the developers to facilitate the relocation package. The developers now wish to finalise the purchase and proceed to contract.

Recommendation

1. That Council confirm its acceptance of the offered purchase price for the sale of Lot 141 DP1071623, Hazelbank Avenue, Parkes to the proposed purchaser and that the seal of Council be affixed to all documentation requiring the seal.

05 - 524 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

16.5 (DCS) South Parkes Industrial Estate - Purchase of Lot 72 Saleyards Road, Parkes

Prepared By: Director of Corporate Service

Executive Summary

A request has been received for the acquisition of Lot 72 Saleyards Road, Parkes within the South Parkes Industrial Estate. The proponent is seeking to relocate his business from the CBD to the industrial area.

Recommendation

1. That Lot 72 Saleyards Road, Parkes be made available to the proponent under Council's normal lease/purchase agreement at the agreed purchase price including GST and that the necessary documentation be completed under the seal of Council.

05 - 525 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

16.6 (DCS) South Parkes Industrial Estate - Sale of Lot 50 DP866556 Matthews Street, Parkes

Prepared By: Director of Corporate Service

Executive Summary

Council had previously resolved to make Lot 50 Matthews Street, Parkes available under its lease/purchase agreement for the establishment of a plumbing business.

The development of the site has now been substantially commenced in accordance with the agreement and the sale of the property may now proceed.

Recommendation

1. That Council proceed with the sale of Lot 50 DP866556 Matthews Street, Parkes in accordance with the lease/purchase agreement at the agreed price and that the necessary documentation be completed under the seal of Council.
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05 - 526 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Yvonne Hutton.

CARRIED

16.7 (DCS) South Parkes Industrial Estate - Sale of Lots 19 and 20 Hanlon Street, Parkes

Prepared By: Director of Corporate Service

Executive Summary

Lots 19 and 20 Hanlon Street, Parkes were acquired under the normal lease/purchase agreement for the establishment of 104 storage units in four stages.

The development of the site has been substantially commenced in accordance with the lease/purchase agreement and Council may now proceed with the sale of the allotment.

Recommendation

1. That Council proceed with the sale of Lots 19 and 20 Hanlon Street, Parkes at the agreed price and that the necessary documentation be completed under the seal of Council.

05 - 527 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Barbara Newton, seconded Councillor Ken Keith.

CARRIED

16.8 (DCS) South Parkes Industrial Estate - Lots 1 and 7 Saleyards Road, Parkes

Prepared By: Director of Corporate Service

Executive Summary

Lots 1 and 7 Saleyards Road, Parkes were offered for sale at the auction of industrial land held during February 2004. The sale of both Lots 1 and 7 have not proceeded and both allotments can now be made available for sale.

Recommendation

1. That arrangements be made for Lots 1 and 7 Saleyards Road, Parkes to be offered for sale by public auction and that the necessary documentation be completed under the seal of Council.

05 - 528 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Wayne Scott, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

16.9 (DCS) Minutes of Consultative Committee Special Meetings - 3 May and 26 May 2005

Prepared By: Director of Corporate Service

Executive Summary

The Parkes Shire Council Consultative Committee Special Meetings were held on 3 May at 11.00 am and 26 May 2005 at 1.00 pm, the Minutes of the meetings are attached.

Recommendation

1. That the Minutes of the Parkes Shire Council Consultative Committee Special Meetings held on 3 May 2005 and 26 May 2005 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.
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05 - 529 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken Keith, seconded Councillor Bev Laing.

CARRIED

16.10 (DO) Parkes Airport - Aviation Bulk Storage Facility

Prepared By: Director of Operations

Executive Summary

A letter has been received from the new owners of the refuelling facility at Parkes Airport advising that they wish to upgrade the facility, including increasing the leased area, fuel storage capacity, and improve office/amenity buildings. However, before they continue on planning they seek Council's views in relation to the proposed airport redevelopment so that they can proceed with some certainty on their long term tenure.

Another issue is whether Council wishes the fuel facility to be expanded, or continue, as a bulk fuel storage and distribution facility on the airport.

Recommendation

1. For the consideration of Council.

05 - 530 Resolution

That a meeting be arranged between Council representatives, the airport refuelling facility owners and the airport redevelopment proponent to discuss the issues.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor John Magill.

CARRIED

16.11 (DI) Parkes Water Supply - Bore Upgrade

Prepared By: Director of Infrastructure

Executive Summary

Given the persistence of the drought and concerning 7% storage in Wyangala Dam, it is proposed to install a variable frequency drive (VFD) in the main bore to allow flow rates to be sustained as the water level declines. It also allows the flow rate to be selected.

Recommendation

1. That Council install a Variable Frequency Drive into Bore 3 for an estimated cost of \$33,000.
2. That necessary funds be taken from reserves.

05 - 531 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor John Magill, seconded Councillor Patrick Byrne.

CARRIED

17 QUESTIONS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY - CONFIDENTIAL

17.1 Parkes Health Council

Reason for Confidentiality

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d(i)) of the Local Government Act 1993 and Council's Code of Meeting Practice, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: -

- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

Recommendation

That the information supplied by Councillor Y Hutton be noted.

05 - 532 Resolution

1. That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Bev Laing, seconded Councillor Wayne Scott.

CARRIED

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There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 6.03 pm..