



PARKES SHIRE COUNCIL

Our Vision:

*In 2022 the Parkes Shire will be a progressive regional centre,
embracing a national logistics hub with vibrant communities,
diverse opportunities, learning and healthy lifestyles.*

MINUTES

TUESDAY 20 AUGUST 2013

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Parkes Shire Council will be held at the Council Administration Centre, 2 Cecile Street, Parkes, commencing at 2.00 pm for the purpose of considering the items included on the Agenda.

GENERAL MANAGER: Kent Boyd

Ordinary Meeting

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2 Cecile Street on Tuesday 20 August 2013 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT

Councillor K J Keith, (in the Chair)
Councillor M J Greenwood
Councillor B J McCorkell
Councillor L A O'Leary
Councillor P J Smith

Councillor A J Ward
Councillor R C Haddin
Councillor K M McGrath
Councillor G W Pratt

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager - K Boyd
Director Technology and Corporate Services - L Finn
Director Planning and Environment - S Campbell
Director Engineering Services - S Barry
Manager Governance and Corporate Planning - B Byrnes
Finance Manager - P McFarlane
Management Accountant - O Jensen
Acting Tourism Manager – K Dwyer
Minutes Secretary - C Thompson

MEETING COMMENCEMENT

The Meeting commenced at 2.00pm.

1 PRAYER

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

2 APOLOGIES

13 - 347 Resolution

That Councillor Barbara Newton be granted leave of absence (REASON: Absent from Parkes).

Moved Councillor Bob Haddin, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

13 - 348 Resolution

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Parkes Shire Council held on Tuesday 6 August 2013 copies of which have been forwarded to Councillors, be confirmed.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward , seconded Councillor Pat Smith.

CARRIED

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Ken Keith declared an interest in Item 11.5 (REASON Executive member of organisation mentioned in report)

The General Manager, Kent Boyd declared an interest in Item 11.6 (REASON Executive member of organisation mentioned in report)

Councillor Louise O'Leary declared an interest in Item 12.1 (REASON Executive member of organisation mentioned in report)

5 NOTICES OF MOTION/RESCISSION

Nil

6 LATE BUSINESS

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice 3.7(c) a decision is now required to determine which, if any Late item/s submitted to the meeting will be dealt with at the meeting or deferred for further consideration at a future Ordinary Meeting of Parkes Shire Council.

13 - 349 Resolution

That Late Item/s 14.4 be considered at this Council meeting.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

7 MAYORAL MINUTES

7.1 Mayoral Minute - Functions Attended by Mayor and Councillors

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

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

13 - 350 Resolution

1. That the report of recent functions attended by the Mayor, Councillors or Senior Staff be received and noted
2. That the organisers of the Mock Crash Demonstration receive recognition by Certificates of Appreciation to be handed out at an upcoming Council afternoon tea.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Pat Smith.

CARRIED

7.2 Mayoral Minute - Coming Known Events for Mayor and Councillors

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

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

13 - 351 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Pat Smith, seconded Councillor Alan Ward.

CARRIED

7.3 Mayoral Minute - Weberek East Timor 2013

Executive Summary

A group of ten people made the trip to Weberek in July/August this year to continue the friendship developed over the twelve years since 2002.

The Parkes Shire-Weberek Friendship team included three Parkes Shire residents, Geoff & Vivienne Steventon and Rhonda Brain.

Geoff Steventon forwarded a report on this year's visit which is attached for Councillors information.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.
2. That Pastor Geoff Steventon and his team be formally thanked for their efforts on the 2013 visit, which continues to promote and foster the Friendship Agreement between Parkes Shire and Weberek.

13 - 352 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Louise O'Leary, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

8 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

8.1 Councillors Report - Cr MJ Greenwood Visit to Coventry

Executive Summary

Discussions were held on July 18 with the Lord Mayor of Coventry City Council (Councillor Gary Crookes) to encourage Coventry's participation in celebrations to mark the 200th Birthday of Sir Henry Parkes on May 27, 2015.

Recommendation

1. For the information of Council.

13 - 353 Resolution

1. That an invitation be extended to the Lord Mayor elect of Coventry City Council to visit Parkes in May 2015 for celebrations to mark the 200th birthday of Sir Henry Parkes.
2. That a congratulatory letter be directed to Laurie and Marilyn Clarke on their restoration and custodial role of Moat House Cottage.
3. That representations be made to the Federal Government through the local Federal Member highlighting the historic importance, from an Australian viewpoint, of Moat Cottage and its role in Australian Federation.
4. That Mrs Jane Barlow, of Coventry City Council, be congratulated on 25 years of service to Council and for her assistance in promoting the Parkes/Coventry alliance.
5. That the balance of Councillor Greenwoods report be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Michael Greenwood, seconded Councillor Belinda McCorkell.

CARRIED

9 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 (ICR) Letters of Appreciation

Executive Summary

During the exercise of its various functions, Council frequently receives letters of appreciation for services rendered or actions taken by Councillors and staff. The most recently received are from Jason Bendeich and Parkes Early Childhood Centre.

Recommendation

That the information be received and noted.

13 - 354 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Pat Smith, seconded Councillor Louise O'Leary.

CARRIED

9.2 (ICR) Request for Assistance - Peak Hill Business and Tourism Association Inc.

Executive Summary

The Peak Hill Business and Tourism Association have requested assistance from Council, through the provision of goods and services, to assist in the staging of the proposed Peak Hill Gravity Gold Rush Street Luge event.

Recommendation

1. That Council roster the street sweeper to undertake a sweep of the proposed track during the normal cycle of the Peak Hill Street Sweep roster.
2. That Council cover the costs for the hire of port-a-loos for the event.

13 - 355 Resolution

1. That Council roster the street sweeper to undertake a sweep of the proposed track during the normal cycle of the Peak Hill Street Sweep roster.
2. That Council cover the costs for the hire of port-a-loos for the event.
3. That the Sports Council and Council tents be available for use at the event.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Louise O'Leary.

CARRIED

9.3 (ICR) Request for Assistance - Peak Hill Central School Aboriginal Dance Group

Executive Summary

The Peak Hill Central School are requesting financial assistance from Council to assist their Aboriginal Dance Group members to attend the 2013 School Spectacular into be held at the Sydney Entertainment Centre in November.

Recommendation

1. That Council allocate \$500 from the Section 356 fund to the Peak Hill Central School to assist their Aboriginal Dance group with the costs involved in attending the 2013 School Spectacular in November.
2. That the Peak Hill Central School be advised of other avenues of funding sources e.g Indigenous Coordination Centre Wagga Wagga, the Parkes Aboriginal Education Consultative group as well as the services of the Parkes Shire Council Grants Officer in sourcing any available grants.

13 - 356 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Louise O'Leary, seconded Councillor Alan Ward.

CARRIED

9.4 (ICR) Change of Name - Peak Hill Advancement Association to Peak Hill Community Consultative Committee

Executive Summary

The Peak Hill Advancement Association have advised of a change of name to be now known as the Peak Hill Community Consultative Committee.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received at noted.
2. That Council's records be updated to reflect the name change.

13 - 357 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Louise O'Leary, seconded Councillor Pat Smith.

CARRIED

9.5 (ICR) Tullamore Community Garden and Hobby Farm

Executive Summary

Tullamore Consultative Committee has submitted a request to Council to support the establishment of a community garden and hobby farm on a block of unused Council land. The project will be run as a not for profit venture and any funds raised from the sale of vegetables or donations will be invested back into the project.

Local community groups such as Tullamore Central School and the Tullamore Men's Shed are in support of the project and have committed to being involved in the set up and running of the project.

The Tullamore Consultative Committee requests that Parkes Shire Council provide land for the project under a licensing agreement with a minimum fee.

Recommendation

1. That Council investigate the request further with a view to permitting the use, subject to requirements.

13 - 358 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

10 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

10.1 (GM) Re-determination of Organisational Structure

Executive Summary

In accordance with section 333 of the Local Government Act 1993 the Organisational Structure has been reviewed and is now presented below for re-determination.

The recent determination by IPART of Council's Special Rate Variation application concludes the preparation phase of the Integrated Planning and Reporting four (4) year delivery program.

Having now set the clear strategic direction for Council it was appropriate to consider the suitability of the organisational structure (provided below) to effectively execute the program. Accordingly a review of the structure has been completed.

Recommendation

1. That the organisational structure as proposed be approved.

13 - 359 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

10.2 (GM) Report to 30 June 2013 - Implementation of the Delivery Program 2010/2011 to 2012/2013

Executive Summary

The General Manager is required to report on the progress of the current Delivery Plan six monthly.

Recommendation

1. For the information of Council.

13 - 360 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

10.3 (GM) Federal Election Issues 2013

Executive Summary

With the upcoming Federal Election scheduled for 7 September 2013 Council has a number of issues to raise with candidates in the Federal Electorate of Calare.

The following key issues are contained in the following report.

Recommendation

1. That Council write to all Federal Candidates standing for the seat of Calare outlining Council issues for the Federal election.
2. A media release be prepared and forwarded outlining Council objectives for the Federal election.

13 - 361 Resolution

1. That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Alan Ward.

CARRIED

10.4 (GM) Voluntary Planning Agreement - Rio Tinto

Executive Summary

At Council's meeting of 16 July 2013 Council resolved to place the Final Draft of the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) between Parkes Shire Council and Rio Tinto Northparkes Mine on public exhibition for comment. The exhibition period ceased at close of business 13 August 2013. No comments have been received.

Recommendation

1. That the Voluntary Planning Agreement be adopted.
2. That the Voluntary Planning Agreement be signed by the Mayor and General Manager and the seal of Council be applied as required.

13 - 362 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Pat Smith, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

11 DIRECTOR TECHNOLOGY AND CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

11.1 (DTCS) Financial Information as at 31 July 2013

Executive Summary

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

Recommendation

1. That the report detailing accounts paid, rate revenue collected, receipts received and the bank reconciliation to 30 July 2013 be received and noted.

13 - 363 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Bob Haddin, seconded Councillor Alan Ward.

CARRIED

11.2 (DTCS) Investments as at 31 July 2013

Executive Summary

The carrying value of Council's investments at 31 July 2013 was \$ 56,335,740.

Recommendation

1. That the information in relation to investments held at 31 July 2013 be received and noted.

13 - 364 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Belinda McCorkell.

CARRIED

11.3 (DTCS) Budget Review as at 30 June 2013

Executive Summary

The quarterly budget review to 30 June 2013 is submitted for Council's consideration.

Recommendation

1. That the Budget Review report to 30 June 2013 be adopted and the variations to income and expenditure be voted.
2. That the recommendations of Capital Expenditure and Operational Expenditure Carry Over's from 2012/13 be voted and to be included in the Budget programs for 2013/14.

13 - 365 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

At this stage of the meeting being 3.07pm the Mayor and General Manager conducted a Citizenship Ceremony for Mr Glen D'Mello.

At this stage the meeting adjourned at 3.12pm for afternoon tea.

The meeting resumed at 3.42pm.

11.4 (DTCS) Annual Financial Reports 2012/2013

Executive Summary

In order to comply with Section 413(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993 (as amended) and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting, Council must prepare a statement on the Annual Financial Statement (AFS) and the Special Schedules as well as the Special Purpose Financial Statements (SPFS). The Statement then allows the accounts to be referred for audit.

Recommendation

1. That the report be received and noted.
2. That in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1993 (as amended) and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting, Council resolve to issue the necessary Statutory Statements in relation to the 2012/2013 Annual Financial reports and refer the accounts for audit.

13 - 366 Resolution

That the recommendations be adopted.

Moved Councillor Pat Smith, seconded Councillor Michael Greenwood.

CARRIED

At this stage being 3.46pm Cr Ken Keith asked Cr Alan Ward to take the Chair

Councillor Ken Keith left the meeting temporarily at 3.46pm.

11.5 (DTCS) Parkes Masonic Temple Co - Rates Subsidy Request - Assessment 36750-0

Executive Summary

A letter has been received from the Board of the Parkes Masonic Temple requesting that Council give consideration to waiving 50% of the General Rate for 2013/14 on their property located at 1-7 Short Street, Parkes, as previously allowed.

Recommendation

That Council make a contribution of \$865.38, being the amount equivalent to 50% of the 2013/14 Business General Rate levied on the Parkes Masonic Temple Co (assessment 36750-0) at 1-7 Short Street, Parkes under Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993.

13 - 367 Resolution

1. That Council make a contribution of \$865.38, being the amount equivalent to 50% of the 2013/14 Business General Rate levied on the Parkes Masonic Temple Co (assessment 36750-0) at 1-7 Short Street, Parkes under Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993.
2. That Council investigate and report back on a transparent process to ensure donations for reduction in rates is undertaken under a fair and equitable framework.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

Councillor Ken Keith rejoined the meeting at 3.55pm.

The General Manager, Kent Boyd left the meeting temporarily at 3.55pm.

11.6 (DTCS) Currajong Disability Services - Rate Rebate Request - Assessments 14780-0 & 22150-0

Executive Summary

Requests have been received from Currajong Disability Services Inc for a contribution towards the rates and charges for 2013/14 for the Parkes Group Home property situated at 59 High Street, Parkes and their respite residential property situated at 100 Currajong Street, Parkes.

Recommendation

1. That Council make a contribution towards the rates and charges on the Currajong Disability Services Inc's Parkes Group Home at 59 High Street, Parkes and the residential property at 100 Currajong Street, Parkes for the combined total of \$850.00, being \$425.00 for each property, being equivalent to a pensioner rebate on each property for the 2013/14 financial year.

13 - 368 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward, seconded Councillor Belinda McCorkell

CARRIED

The General Manager, Kent Boyd rejoined the meeting at 3.59pm.

11.7 (DTCS) Federal Grants Funding - Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)

Executive Summary

Council has been advised that a grant application for Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) improvements under the "Safer Suburbs Program - Taxi Security Scheme" has been successful.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received
2. That the matter be considered in conjunction with the minutes of the Parkes Shire Crime Prevention meeting held on 19 August 2013, listed later in the Business Paper.

13 - 369 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Belinda McCorkell, seconded Councillor Alan Ward.

CARRIED

11.8 (DTCS) Parkes Sports Council Annual General Meeting 2013

Executive Summary

Councillor Ken McGrath chaired the election of office bearers at the Parkes Sports Council Annual Meeting on August 13. There was a new executive elected for the financial year 2013-14. The Parkes Sports Council reported a surplus for 2012-13 of \$18,401 on a turnover of \$ 279,333. Net results before grants and contributions provided for Capital purposes was a small surplus of \$6,601 in 2012-13 as compared to a deficit of (\$1,511) in the year ended 30th June 2012.

Recommendation

1. That the information within the Parkes Sports Council Annual Report and Minutes of the Annual General Meeting be received and noted.

13 - 370 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Michael Greenwood.

CARRIED

11.9 (DTCS) Funding Agreement Parkes Sports Council and Northparkes Mines - Sports Grants

Executive Summary

Northparkes mine through the administration by the Parkes Sports Council will provide financial assistance to sporting groups to assist in the continuation of existing local projects or to assist in funding a new project that helps that help meet the needs of our growing sporting associations.

Recommendation

1. That the information in relation to the Funding agreement for Sports Grants between Northparkes Mine and Parkes Sports Council budget be received and noted.

13 - 371 Resolution

1. That the information in relation to the Funding agreement for Sports Grants between Northparkes Mine and Parkes Sports Council budget be received and noted.
2. Council write to Northparkes and thank them on their commitment funding for sports grants to Parkes Sports Council.
3. That the guideline suggesting favouritism to Sports Council affiliated members be removed.

Moved Councillor Michael Greenwood, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

11.10 (DTCS) Library Services Statistics and Monthly Update

Executive Summary

Library usage statistics for the month of July 2013 and recent activities are provided for the information of Council.

Recommendation

That the information be noted.

13 - 372 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Pat Smith, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

11.11 (DTCS) Tourism and Event Update August 2013

Executive Summary

A brief update of general Shire tourism and event activities.

Recommendation

That the Tourism and Event Update be received and noted.

13 - 373 Resolution

1. That the Tourism and Event Update be received and noted.
2. Council seek feedback from Country Rugby League regarding the criteria for selection of the pending Country v City event to enable Council to review its application process for the future.

Moved Councillor Michael Greenwood, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

12 DIRECTOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT'S REPORT

Councillor Louise O'Leary left the meeting temporarily at 4.26pm.

12.1 (DPE) Joint Regional Planning Panel approves DA13035 for the Peak Hill Multi Purpose Health Service & Partial Demolition of Existing Hospital

Executive Summary

Development Application No. DA13035 was lodged on the 29 April 2013 by Health Infrastructure NSW. As the application had a capital investment value of more than \$5 million, the application was referred to the Joint Regional Planning Panel for determination pursuant to Schedule 4A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

On the 7 August 2013, Council received confirmation from the Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP) that all panel members were in favour of the recommendation in Council's assessment report to approve Development Application No. DA13035 for the Peak Hill Multi Purpose Health Service & Partial Demolition of Existing Hospital.

Section 89(1)(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 provides that a consent authority must not impose a condition on its consent to a Crown development application, except with the approval of the applicant or the Minister. As such, prior to providing the assessment report to the Joint Regional Planning Panel, Council liaised with Health Infrastructure in relation to what conditions would be imposed on the development.

This report provides information to Council about the conditions of consent that Council originally imposed on the applicant and the amendments that were made to Council's conditions of consent (at the discretion of Health Infrastructure NSW) prior to the assessment report being provided to the JRPP.

Recommendation

1. That the information be received and noted.

13 - 374 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor Pat Smith.

CARRIED

Councillor Louise O'Leary rejoined the meeting at 4.30pm.

12.2 (DPE) DA07122 Modification Application-ALDI Supermarket, Associated Signage & Carparking, Lots 5, 5A, 6 Section 4 DP758827, Lot 1 DP652609, Lot 14 DP664214, Lot 2 DP1120940, Lot 1 DP1125151, 144-146 Clarinda Street, and 11-27 Caledonia Street, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA07122

Applicant: Milestone (Aust) Pty Limited

Property: Lots 5, 5A, 6 Section 4 DP 758827, Lot 1 DP 652609, Lot 14 DP664214, Lot 2 DP1120940, Lot 1 DP1125151, 144-146 Clarinda Street and 11-27 Caledonia Street, Parkes

Proposal: ALDI Supermarket, Associated Signage & Carparking

Executive Summary

Council has received an application to modify Development Consent No. DA07122 in accordance with Section 96(1A) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The modification application proposes to remove condition 61 and amend conditions 87 and 91 of the development consent to permit access to the approved ALDI store by 26 metre B-Double vehicles. The current development consent does not permit service vehicles larger than 19 metre articulated trucks to enter the ALDI site.

The application is supported by vehicle swept paths for a B-Double vehicle, a Statement of Environmental Effects and a Noise Impact Assessment, which is included in the attachments of this report. The application was lodged on the 27 June 2013 by Milestone (Aust) Pty Limited.

Recommendation

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

The following conditions of consent have been modified: Conditions 61, 62, 63, 64 ,65, 91 and 95.

13 - 375 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Bob Haddin, seconded Councillor Alan Ward.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Cr MJ Greenwood, Cr RC Haddin, Cr KJ Keith, Cr BJ McCorkell, Cr KM McGrath, Cr LA O'Leary, Cr GW Pratt, Cr PJ Smith, Cr AJ Ward

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr BF Newton

PRESENT. DID NOT VOTE - Nil

12.3 (DPE) DA13060 Proposed Erection of a Shed at Lot 1 DP 829200, Nash Street, Parkes

Development Application Information

Application No: DA13060

Applicant: Mr K Graham

Property: Lot 1 DP829200, Nash Street, Parkes

Proposal: Shed

Executive Summary

An application has been received for the erection of a shed at the above property on Nash Street, Parkes.

It is proposed to locate a shed, dimensions 7 metres x 16.5 metres x 2.7 metres high (at the eave), to the northern side of the property with a setback of 30 metres from the front property boundary off Nash street and a setback of 5 metres to the northern boundary on Birch Road. The 5 metre setback 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 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.

13 - 376 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Alan Ward.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Cr MJ Greenwood, Cr RC Haddin, Cr KJ Keith, Cr BJ McCorkell, Cr KM McGrath, Cr LA O'Leary, Cr GW Pratt, Cr PJ Smith, Cr AJ Ward

AGAINST VOTE - Nil

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr BF Newton

PRESENT. DID NOT VOTE - Nil

13 DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT

13.1 (DES) Resignation of Plant Operator - Mr Ian Page

Executive Summary

It is with regret that I advise that Council has received the resignation of Mr Ian Page, Council's most experienced plant operator, following 47 years of service. Ian has contributed significantly to Parkes Shire Council's works programs during his employment with Council. Ian's knowledge and significant skill will be difficult to replace.

Recommendation

1. That the information on the resignation of the Mr Ian Page be noted.

13 - 377 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

13.2 (DES) Major Works Status as at August 2013

Executive Summary

Other than routine maintenance, major works that have been carried out over the past month are reported below. The impact of the March 2012 flood event on Council's works program is abating as restoration works are nearing completion.

Recommendation

1. That the information on Major Works Status as at August 2013 be noted.

13 - 378 Resolution

That the information be received and noted.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

13.3 (DES) Mid Lachlan Valley Bush Fire Management Committee Meeting

Executive Summary

The Mid Lachlan Valley Bush Fire Management Committee (BFMC) met in Forbes on Wednesday 29 May 2013. The meeting was attended by Cr Barbara Newton as Council's alternate representative on the BFMC, and the Director Engineering Services. Minutes of the meeting are attached for Council's information.

Recommendation

1. That the information on the Mid Lachlan Valley Bush Fire Management Committee Meeting held 29 May 2013 be noted.

13 - 379 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Pat Smith, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

13.4 (DES) Rural Fire Service - Fire Control Centre Alterations

Executive Summary

The NSW Rural Fire Service is changing the way it operates during times of emergencies. To accommodate the changes there is a need to make some alterations to the Fire Control Centre at Forbes. It is estimated that these changes will cost approximately \$45,000.

Advice received indicates that Parkes Shire is likely to receive funding of this amount in this year's allocations for additional brigade stations. The Mid Lachlan Valley Team have requested Council's approval to expend the allocation instead on the Fire Control Centre alterations.

Recommendation

1. That Council endorse the use of the allocated funds for brigade stations, under this year's allocations only, for the alterations to the Fire Control Centre.

13 - 380 Resolution

1. That Council endorse the use of the allocated funds for brigade stations, under this year's allocations only, for the alterations to the Fire Control Centre subject to the Bogan Gate Bushfire Shed and Amenities being rendered fully operational prior to use of funds.

Moved Councillor Belinda McCorkell, seconded Councillor Pat Smith.

CARRIED

13..5 (DES) Roads and Maritime Services - Pavement Improvements Tichborne

Executive Summary

A letter has been received from Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) advising that they are planning to improve the pavement on the Newell Highway at Tichborne. The proposed works involve laying 180mm AC on the existing road formation starting from Tichborne rail crossing extending 350 metres towards Parkes. At this stage the RMS is carrying out project development works and the construction works are intended to be commenced in November 2013.

RMS will prepare a Minor Works Review of Environmental Factors for the project and residents closer to the project area will also be consulted. Comments are also sought from Council.

While the proposed works will be welcomed by the travelling public, it is considered that the timing of the works around harvest time should be reconsidered.

Recommendation

1. That the Roads and Maritime Services be advised that the timing of the proposed works leading into the harvest period should be reconsidered.

13 - 381 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor George Pratt, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath.

CARRIED

14 CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

14.1 Committee Minutes - Memorial Hill and Lookout Rejuvenation Committee Meeting Held 5 August 2013

Executive Summary

The second meeting of the Memorial Hill and Lookout Rejuvenation Committee was held on Monday 5 August 2013. Minutes of the meeting are attached for Council information.

A tree clearing day has been scheduled for Saturday 24 August 2013 as the first project to be undertaken by the participating organisations.

Recommendation

1. That the Minutes of the Memorial Hill and Lookout Rejuvenation Committee held 5 August 2013 be adopted.

13 - 382 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Pat Smith, seconded Councillor Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

14.2 Committee Minutes - Parkes Local Traffic Committee Meeting 14 August 2013

Executive Summary

The Parkes Local Traffic Committee Meeting was held on 14 August 2013 at 9.00am. The Minutes of the Meeting are attached.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Parkes Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 14 August 2013 be adopted.

13 - 383 Resolution

1. That the Minutes of the Parkes Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 14 August 2013 be adopted.
2. That Council hold discussions with the RMS regarding limitations in extending the parking between Bushman and Victoria Streets.
3. Council carry out a survey of likely affected Business' and Residences between Bushman and Victoria Streets to gauge their views on any proposed changes.

Moved Councillor Ken McGrath, seconded Councillor George Pratt.

CARRIED

14.3 Committee Minutes - Plant Procurement Committee Meeting - 6 August 2013

Executive Summary

A Parkes Shire Council Plant Procurement Committee meeting was held on Tuesday 6 August 2013.

Recommendation

1. That the Minutes of the Parkes Shire Council Plant Procurement Committee held 6 August 2013 be adopted.

13 - 384 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward, seconded Councillor Ken McGrath

CARRIED

14.4 Committee Minutes - Parkes Shire Crime Prevention Committee Minutes 19 August 2013

Executive Summary

A Parkes Shire Crime Prevention Committee Meeting was held on Monday 19 August 2013.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Parkes Shire Crime Prevention Committee Meeting was held on Monday 19 August 2013 be adopted.

13 - 385 Resolution

1. That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Alan Ward, seconded Councillor Belinda McCorkell.

CARRIED

15 QUESTIONS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil.

16 CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS ITEMS

The meeting of the Ordinary Council meeting was closed to the public at 5.27pm.

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.

13 - 386 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 Bob Haddin.

CARRIED

16.1 (GM) Strategic consultancy relating to Inland Rail, Western Ring Road and Proposed Parkes Hospital

Prepared By: General Manager

Executive Summary

As Council is aware, considerable work is being undertaken in relation to the procurement of the new hospital, the western ring road and the inland railway. The attached consultancy work is considered important for the strategic roll out of these projects.

Recommendation

1. That provision be made in the budget to fund strategic work associated with the hospital precinct, the western ring road and the inland rail.

13 - 387 Resolution

That the recommendation be adopted.

Moved Councillor Belinda McCorkell, seconded Councillor Michael Greenwood.

CARRIED

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 6.02pm.