

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GRENFELL THURSDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2007 AT 5.00 PM

PRESENT: The Mayor Clr M A Simpson in the Chair, Clrs D W Hughes, N W Hughes, G B Halls, J C Niven, R Atchison, G McClelland and B R Hinde.
Acting General Manager (G Carroll), Director Engineering (W Twohill) and Director Environmental Services (C Slade).

APOLOGY: Clrs D Taylor and G Grimm.

(General Manager had leave of absence – Res. 704)

201 RESOLVED: Clr Halls and Clr Niven that the apologies be accepted.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

202 RESOLVED: Clr Atchison and Clr Hinde that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on 20 September 2007 be taken as read and **CONFIRMED**

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Nil

TENDERS

1. Proposed Alterations to Grenfell Library and CTC Building for New Community Hub, T1.6.25

203 RESOLVED: Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that Council accept the Tender of AL Banks at a price of \$1,067,238.70 (GST Inc) for the alterations and extension to the existing Grenfell Library and CTC building to construct the new Weddin Shire Community Hub.

2. Tender T3/2007 Fuel Storage, Dispensing and Management System at New Depot,

204 RESOLVED: Clr Atchison and Clr Halls that Council:-

- a) accept the tender for the design, supply, installation and commissioning of a fuel storage dispensing and management system at the new South Street Works Depot in Grenfell from Best Western Services Petroleum Services for \$145,000.
- b) negotiate with the successful tenderer to supply and erect a separator system.

CORRESPONDENCE

SECTION A - Matters Noted.

205 RESOLVED: Clr Hinde and Clr Niven that the letters 1-13, in Section A be noted except where otherwise resolved.

SECTION B - Matters referred to Committees

206 RESOLVED: Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that the letters 14-20, in Section B be noted except where otherwise resolved.

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SECTION C - Matters with Recommendations.

21. Grenfell Town and District Band, C1.1.3:

207 RESOLVED: Clr N Hughes and Clr Hinde that a donation be approved in accordance with Council's Policy.

208 RESOLVED: Clr N Hughes and Clr Hinde that the recommendations be adopted for letter 21, in Section C.

SECTION D - Matters for determination or consideration

22. Department of Local Government, A3.9.3:

Noted

23. Department of Industry Tourism and Resources, H2.8.2:

209 RESOLVED: Clr Hinde and Clr D Hughes that the funding application be re-submitted and the Federal Member for Parkes the Hon John Cobb be approached for assistance.

24. RTA, R2.54:

Noted

25. Michael Ridley, E2.3.303:

210 RESOLVED: Clr Halls and Clr N Hughes that a meeting be held with the owner, 'C' Ward Councillors and the Director of Engineering to discuss the matter.

26. Pat Soley and Marion Knapp, C1.4.1:

211 RESOLVED: Clr Atchison and Clr N Hughes that Council accept the offer of the presentation to be conducted on Friday, 26 October 2007 and the item be displayed in the New Community Hub subject to space being available.

27. Department of Local Government, C2.6.1:

212 RESOLVED: Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that the matter be referred to the General Manager and a report be submitted to Council's November meeting.

213 RESOLVED: Clr D Hughes and Clr Hinde that Section D be noted except where otherwise resolved.

214 RESOLVED: Clr Niven and Clr Halls that Late Correspondence be received and dealt with.

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LATE CORRESPONDENCE

28. NSW Rural Fire Service, A3.9.4:

- 215 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr D Hughes that the Director Engineering investigate the matter further and report back to the November 2007 Council meeting.

29. Margaret Hart, R2.1.8:

- 216 RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr N Hughes that a meeting with the East Trigalana Water User's Group, Ward Councillors, RTA, Rural Lands Protection Board, Forbes Shire Council and staff representatives from Weddin Shire be arranged to discuss the matter. Further, that delegated authority be granted to the executive to allow a decision to be made if necessary which will be ratified at the November 2007 Council meeting.

30. Rural Alliance, E3.8.1:

- 217 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Niven that the letter be noted.

31. RTA, R2.1.14:

Noted

- 218 RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr Halls that Section E be noted except where otherwise resolved.

MAYORAL MINUTE: Was here submitted

1. Vandalism

- 219 RESOLVED:** Clr Simpson that Councils existing \$500 vandalism reward be placed in a joint fund to support any local organisation in the Weddin Shire that is prepared to match Councils offer in an effort to eliminate graffiti and vandalism.

THE ACTING GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: Was here submitted

1. Drought Rural Crisis Summit, E3.8.1

Noted

2. Management Plan 2007/2008 - September 2007 Quarterly Report, A3.4

Noted

Part B – Social Plan

(c) Taxi Operation

Clr D Hughes declared a conflict interest as his father-in-law is the taxi operator and left the room.

Noted

Clr D Hughes returned to the room

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- 220 RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr Hinde that except where otherwise dealt with the Acting General Manager's Report be adopted.

THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT: - Was here submitted:-

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| 1. | <u>Statement of Bank Balances as at 30 September 2007:</u> | Noted |
| 2. | <u>Summary of Income for the month of September follows</u> | Noted |
| 3. | <u>Roads and Other Expenditure 2007/2008:</u> | Noted |
| 4. | <u>Library Development Project, P2.3.5</u> | Noted |
| 5. | <u>Debt Recovery – Rates and Debtors, A1.7</u> | Noted |
| 6. | <u>Open Days/Trade Expo, T4.3.7</u> | Noted |

- 221 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Niven that

- i) Council endorse the concept of running the Weddin Shire Open Days/Trade Expo Campaign in 2008 “in principle” subject to final costings for 2007 being prepared and submitted to the February 2008 Council Meeting for a final decision.
- ii) Council adopt the attached list of registered participants in the 2007 Open Days/Trade Expo Campaign as the people eligible to obtain certain concessions which were offered by Council in the Open Days/Trade Expo package. Further, that if participants are subsequently approved by the executive to receive concessions since the Open Days weekend they also be submitted to Council for adoption.
- iii) a full review of the 2007 Open Days/Trade Expo be conducted and submitted to the February 2008 Council Meeting.

7. **2006/2007 Financial Statements, A1.6**

- 222 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Halls that the ordinary November 2007 Council meeting commence at 9.00 am to allow a formal presentation of the Financial Statements to be made by Council's auditors.

- 223 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Halls that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Corporate Services' Report be adopted.

THE DIRECTOR ENGINEERING'S REPORT: Was here submitted:-

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| 1. | <u>Works Report (7 October 2007)</u> | Noted |
| 2. | <u>Parks and Ovals Report</u> | Noted |
| 3. | <u>Future Works</u> | Noted |
| 4. | <u>Other Works</u> | Noted |
| 5. | <u>CENTROC Weight of Loads Group, C2.7.16</u> | Noted |

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| 6. | <u>Plant Report</u> | Noted |
| 7. | <u>Engineers Alliance – Weddin, Forbes, Parkes and Lachlan, C2.9.9</u> | Noted |
| 8. | <u>RTA SIM Contract, R2.54.1</u> | Noted |
| 9. | <u>Weddin District Liaison Committee Meeting, E1.3.16</u> | Noted |
| 10. | <u>New Depot, P2.6.4</u> | Noted |
| 11. | <u>Quandialla Drainage, R2.7.11</u> | Noted |
| 12. | <u>Coolrooms, E1.3.2</u> | |
- 224 **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr N Hughes that Council accept the quotation from Bundella Distributors for the supply of one (1) dual axle mobile coolroom for \$17,241.40 and one (1) single axle mobile coolroom for \$5,787.54 incl. GST.
13. **Rural Fire Service Estimates 2008/2009, E1.3.4**
- 225 **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr McClelland that Council adopt the Rural Fire Service 2008/2009 budget (Option 1) based on a 3.5% increase on the 2007/2008 allocation, including one troop carrier, one new tanker and one station, and reconsider funding the extra position when details are made available.
14. **Proposed Construction Schedules - 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/010 and 2010/11**
- 226 **RESOLVED:** Clr D Hughes and Clr Atchison that Council adopt the 2007/2008 Works Programme for kerb and guttering, roadworks and footpaths (jobs 1-9) and note the future programme (jobs 10-24).
- 227 **RESOLVED:** Clr D Hughes and Clr Atchison that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Engineering's Report be adopted.

THE DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES' REPORT: Was here submitted:-

- A. **Public Health and Environmental Matters.**
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| 1. | <u>Sewerage Treatment Works, S1.1.1:</u> | Noted |
| 2. | <u>Caravan Park Operations, P2.3.3:</u> | Noted |
| 3. | <u>Animal Control, A4.4</u> | Noted |
| 4. | <u>Swimming Pool, P2.3.1</u> | Noted |
- B. **Development Applications – Building Matters:**
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| B1. | <u>Development Applications under Delegated Authority</u> | Noted |
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B. Development Applications for the Consideration of Council

B2. DA 70/2007 – Mr G McClelland - Conversion of Shed to 1A Dwelling

Clr McClelland declared a pecuniary interest as the applicant and left the room.

228 RESOLVED: Clr D Hughes and Clr N Hughes that the report be withdrawn as the matter has been resolved.

Clr McClelland returned to the room.

C. Other Matters

1. Caragabal Hall P2.13.1

229 RESOLVED: Clr Atchison and Clr Hinde that:-

- i) the community of Caragabal and Council be made aware of the potential risks and liabilities with the building; and the ongoing maintenance to keep the building at suitable standards for public use.
- ii) Council advise the Caragabal residents to apply to the Department of Lands to have trustees appointed.

2. Inspection of Food Premises H1.6.7

Noted

3. Round 5 - Preparation of new LEP

Noted

230 RESOLVED: Clr Hinde and Clr Niven that Council adjourn for supper.

Council adjourned for supper: 6.54 pm
Council resumed at: 7.29 pm

231 RESOLVED: Clr Atchison and Clr Niven that Council resume.

4. Sewerage Treatment Plant, Septage Management/ Augmentation S1.1.1

232 RESOLVED: Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that the Department of Commerce be engaged to conduct an OH&S audit of the Grenfell Sewerage Treatment Plant with funding to be provided at the quarterly budget review in December 2007.

233 RESOLVED: Clr McClelland and Clr Hinde that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Environmental Services Report be adopted.

THE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Was here submitted:-

234 RESOLVED: Clr Hinde and Clr McClelland that the Librarian's Report be noted.

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THE NOXIOUS WEEDS OFFICER'S REPORT: - Was here submitted:-

- 235 **RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr Niven the Noxious Weeds Officer's Report be noted.

THE HERITAGE ADVISOR'S REPORT: - Was here submitted:-

Mary Watts Grave

- 236 **RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr D Hughes that Council write to Mary Watts descendants advising of Council's plans and request financial support.

- 237 **RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr N Hughes that the Heritage Advisor's Report be noted.

THE CTC CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT: - Was here submitted:

- 238 **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr D Hughes that the CTC Co-ordinator's Report be noted.

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:- Was here submitted:

- 239 **RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr Atchison that the Economic Development Officer's Report be noted.

THE TOURISM OFFICER'S REPORT: - Was here submitted:-

- 240 **RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr N Hughes that the Tourism Officer's Report be noted.

THE DELEGATES REPORT – TELSTRA: - Was here submitted:

- 241 **RESOLVED:** Clr D Hughes and Clr Halls that the Delegates Report be noted.

MINUTES OF THE DROUGHT RELIEF CONCERT DEBRIEF COMMITTEE MEETING: -were here submitted:-

- 242 **RESOLVED:** Clr Hinde and Clr McClelland that the Minutes of the Drought Relief Concert Debrief Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING: -were here submitted:-

- 243 **RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr D Hughes that the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

MINUTES OF THE BUSHFIRE LOCAL MATTERS COMMITTEE MEETING: -were here submitted:-

- 244 **RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr N Hughes that the Minutes of the Bushfire Local Matters Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

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MINUTES OF THE NOXIOUS WEEDS COMMITTEE MEETING: were here submitted:-

- 245 RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr D Hughes that the Minutes of the Noxious Weeds Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

MINUTES OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING: were here submitted:-

- 246 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr McClelland that the Minutes of the Weddin Shire Tourism Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE COMMITTEE MEETING: were here submitted:-

- 247 RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr Halls that the Minutes of the Heritage Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

MINUTES OF THE MANEX COMMITTEE MEETING: was here submitted:-

- 248 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr D Hughes that the Minutes of the Manex Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

MINUTES OF THE TOWN WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING: were here submitted:-

5.3 Grenfell & District Senior Citizen's Welfare Committee Inc (C16):

Clr Simpson and G Carroll declared a conflict of interest as Chairman and Treasurer of the committee respectively and left the room.

Clr N Hughes took the chair

- 249 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that the trees be lopped.

Clr Simpson and G Carroll returned to the room with Clr Simpson resuming the chair.

- 250 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Niven that the Minutes of the Town Works Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

ORDER OF THE DAY

(a) List of Inspections and Approved Works.

1 INSPECTIONS AND MEETINGS:

1.1 Drought Relief Crisis Summit

1.2 Forbes National Campervan and Motorhome Rally

**Carried Out
In Progress**

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2. LIST OF APPROVED WORKS:

2.1	<u>Industrial Estate</u>	In Progress
2.2	<u>Railway Land</u>	In Progress
2.3	<u>Sewerage Treatment Works</u>	In Progress

251 RESOLVED: Cllr Atchison and Cllr D Hughes that the Sewerage Treatment Works site be surveyed to clarify land ownership.

2.4	<u>Dalton Street Depot</u>	In Progress
2.5	<u>New Depot</u>	In Progress
2.6	<u>Council Committees</u>	In Progress
2.7	<u>Bankstown City Council</u>	In Progress
2.8	<u>School Bush Route Audit</u>	In Progress
2.9	<u>Replace Carpet</u>	In Progress
2.10	<u>Company Dam</u>	In Progress

QUESTIONS

Cllr Hinde - requested leave of absence for the November 2007 Council meeting.

252 RESOLVED: Cllr Atchison and Cllr McClelland that leave be granted as requested.

Cllr N Hughes - requested that presentations be listed higher on the agenda.

CLOSURE: There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.09 pm

Taken as read and confirmed as a true record this day 15 November 2007.

.....General Manager.....Mayor