

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GRENFELL THURSDAY, 13 DECEMBER 2007 AT 5.00 PM**

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

**LEAVE:** Nil

**APOLOGY:** Clr D Taylor

**305 RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr D Hughes that the apology be accepted.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

**306 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Niven that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on 15 November 2007 be taken as read and **CONFIRMED**

**QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Nil

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

Clr Halls submitted a declaration of interest for Item 14 in the General Manager's report.

**CORRESPONDENCE** - Matters with Recommendations

1. Senator Fiona Nash, A3.19.2:

**307 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr N Hughes that the action be confirmed.

2. Mrs S Mearns, P2.12.9:

**Noted**

3. Department of Local Government, C2.9.11:

**308 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Grimm that Council advise its willingness to meet with the Deputy Director General if agreed to by the other councils.

4. Grenfell Country Club, C1.2.2:

**309 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that Council decline the request as it may set a precedent and advise the Country Club accordingly.

5. Forbes Shire Council, C2.9.5:

**Noted**

6. The Hon Frank Sartor MP, A3.6.36:

**Noted**

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7. Department of Local Government, C2.10.8:

**Noted**

8. Legislative Council, A3.19.1:

**Noted**

**310 RESOLVED:** Clr Hinde and Clr Niven that the correspondence be noted accept where otherwise resolved.

**311 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr McClelland that Late Correspondence be received and dealt with.

### **LATE CORRESPONDENCE:**

9. Cootamundra Licensing Coordinator, H1.4.3:

**312 RESOLVED:** Clr D Hughes and Clr Atchison that delegated authority be granted to the executive to determine the Development Application after further negotiations are held with the Police.

10. Howes Kaye Halpin Solicitors, A4.4.3.9:

**Noted**

11. Local Government Shires Association, A3.8.2:

**313 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that Council:-

- i) agree for the Mayor's and Council's name to appear with the President's names on the open letter.
- ii) agree to attend the Leaders Forum in Sydney on Wednesday, 30 January 2008.
- iii) decline to contribute to the fund.

12. Gundagai Council, C2.7.9:

**Noted**

**314 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Hinde that the Late Correspondence be noted except where otherwise resolved.

### **THE GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:** Was here submitted

1. **Role of Councillors, C2.2.1**

**Noted**

2. **Promoting Better Practice Review, C2.3.3, C2.10.8**

**Noted**

3. **Council Friendship Agreement, C2.7.23**

**315 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that in anticipation of a favourable response from Hawkesbury City Council, this Council consider a local function and venue for the formal signing of the Inter Council Friendship Agreement with delegated authority granted to the Executive to make the appropriate arrangements.

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### **4. LGSA Awards for Councillors, C2.2.1**

**Noted**

### **5. Review of Council Policies, C2.4.3**

- 316 RESOLVED:** Cllr McClelland and Cllr Niven that the amended policies for
- Training and Education Expenses (No. 14.1.1)
  - Statements of Liability (No. 14.2.1 )
  - Street Stall Applications (No. 1.2.1 )
- be adopted.

### **6. Code of Meeting Practice, C2.4.2**

- 317 RESOLVED:** Cllr Atchison and Cllr Grimm that the amended Code of Meeting Practice be adopted by Council.

### **7. Policy for Purchase and Replacement of Motor Vehicles, C2.4.15**

- 318 RESOLVED:** Cllr N Hughes and Cllr Niven that the amended Policy for Purchase and Replacement of Motor Vehicles be adopted.

### **8. Policy for Legal Actions for Outstanding Debts, C2.4.15**

- 319 RESOLVED:** Cllr Halls and Cllr McClelland that the amended Policy for Legal Action for Outstanding Debts be adopted.

### **9. Policy for Undertaking Private Works, C2.4.15**

- 320 RESOLVED:** Cllr Atchison and Cllr Halls that the amended Policy for Undertaking Private Works be adopted.

### **10. Policy for Management of Noxious Weeds on Private Property, C2.4.15**

- 321 RESOLVED:** Cllr N Hughes and Cllr Halls that the amended Policy for Management of Noxious Weeds on Private Property be adopted with the inclusion of a re-inspection period and a reference to section 20 Notices.

### **11. Policy for Sewerage Extensions and Connections, C2.4.15**

- 322 RESOLVED:** Cllr McClelland and Cllr Atchison that the amended Policy for Sewer Extensions and Connections be adopted.

### **12. Superannuation for Councillors, C2.2.1**

**Noted**

### **13. Membership of Heritage Committee, C2.6.1**

- 323 RESOLVED:** Cllr Grimm and Cllr McClelland that the matter of membership of the Heritage Committee be discussed with the new Heritage Advisor on appointment.

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### **14. Reserve 90676 – Caragabal, P2.7.12/C1.2.7**

**Clr Halls declared a pecuniary interest as a Director of the Caragabal Country Golf Club and left the room.**

- 324 RESOLVED:** Clr Hinde and Clr N Hughes that the Department of Lands be advised that:-
- i) the septic tank overflow line and possibly the transpiration area should be relocated within the clubhouse block.
  - ii) the rainwater storage tanks should be relocated within the clubhouse block.
  - iii) the beneficiary of the easements should be Weddin Shire Council.

**Clr Halls returned to the room.**

### **15. Australia Day Awards, C1.5.2**

**Noted**

### **16. Christmas Competition – Quandialla, T4.3.1**

- 325 RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr Grimm that the action be confirmed.

### **17. Season Greetings**

**Noted**

- 326 RESOLVED:** Clr D Hughes and Clr N Hughes that except where otherwise dealt with the General Manager's Report be adopted.

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

### **1. Statement of Bank Balances as at 30 November 2007:**

**Noted**

### **2. Summary of Income for the month of November follows**

**Noted**

### **3. Roads and Other Expenditure 2007/2008:**

**Noted**

### **4. Library Development Project, P2.3.5**

**Noted**

### **5. Debt Recovery – Rates and Debtors, A1.7**

**Noted**

### **6. Councils Internal Reserves Review, A1.6**

- 327 RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr Atchison that Council endorse the reallocation of Councils internal reserves and adopt the Statement of Internal Restrictions as presented.

### **7. Museum Advisor Review C1.3.15**

**Noted**

### **8. Bankstown City Council – Legal Costs Contribution, A3.8.2**

**MOVED:** Clr Grimm and Clr Niven that Council contribute \$5,028.38.

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**AMENDMENT:** Clr D Hughes and Clr McClelland that Council contribute \$2,500.

Upon being put to the meeting the amendment was **LOST** and the meeting reverted to the original **MOTION**.

**328** Upon being put to the meeting the original motion was **CARRIED**.

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| <b>9. <u>Economic Development, C2.6.21</u></b>                        | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>10. <u>Tourism/Promotions, C2.6.2</u></b>                          | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>11. <u>Community Technology Centre (CTC), C2.6.28</u></b>          | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>12. <u>Mid - Lachlan Alliance – Corporate Services, C2.9.8</u></b> | <b>Noted</b> |

**329** **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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| <b>1. <u>Works Report (2 December 2007)</u></b>         | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>2. <u>Future Works</u></b>                           | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>3. <u>Other Works</u></b>                            | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>4. <u>CENTROC Weight of Loads Group, C2.7.16</u></b> | <b>Noted</b> |

**330** **RESOLVED:** Clr Grimm and Clr Halls that Council adjourn for supper.

**Council adjourned for supper:      6.51 pm**  
**Council resumed at:                      7.19 pm**

**331** **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Niven that Council resume.

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| <b>5. <u>Plant Report</u></b>  | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>6. <u>Engineers Alliance – Weddin, Forbes, Parkes and Lachlan, C2.9.9</u></b> | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>7. <u>RTA SIM Contract, R2.54.1</u></b>                                       | <b>Noted</b> |
| <b>8. <u>2007/2008 State Government Noxious Weeds Grant, G2.3</u></b>            |              |

**332** **RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Hinde that the action be confirmed.

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### **9. Government Funding for Control of Noxious Weeds in 2007/2008, G2.3**

- 333 RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr Grimm that Katrina Hodgkinson MP be advised that the funding for inspection works is considered satisfactory but the funding for control of weeds should be on a \$ for \$ basis.

### **10. Pesticide Use Notification Plan, A3.6.40**

- 334 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Niven that Council adopt the three (3) years Pesticide Use Notification Plan and publish the Plan in the Government Gazette.

### **11. Noxious Weed Report, C2.6.16**

**Noted**

### **12. Joint Integrated Water Cycle Management Evaluation Study, U1.6.10**

- 335 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Hinde that Council:-
- a) confirm action,
  - b) seek a 50% subsidy towards the cost of the works.
  - c) provide funding at the December 2007 quarterly budget review.

### **13. New Depot, P2.6.4**

**Noted**

### **14. Fair Value for Sewerage, S1.4.8**

**Noted**

### **15. Loaders Coaches – Sewerage, S1.2.3**

**Clr Hinde declared a conflict of interest as his family owns a property near the proposed sewer line extension and left the room.**

- 336 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that Council:-
- a) agree to the extension of the sewerage system along Manganese Road from Bradley Street to the north west corner of lot 200 DP 754578,
  - b) fund the works on the basis of 50% of the cost of the works up to \$12,000.
  - c) fund the works from the 2007/08 Sewer Mains Extension Vote.

**Clr Hinde returned to the room.**

### **16. Flood Lighting – Forbes Street Grenfell Murals**

- 337 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that Council negotiate with the Grenfell Motel for small light fittings be installed above each of the murals, with the wiring to be connected to the Motel switchboard.

### **17. Power Lines Through Palm Tree – Warraderry Street, U1.3.9**

**(See minutes of Town Works Committee meeting)**

**Noted**

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**18. Christmas Greetings**

**Noted**

**19. Vehicle Changeover, P2.10.5.1**

**Noted**

- 338 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Niven 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.**

**1. Sewerage Treatment Works, S1.1.1:**

**Noted**

**2. Caravan Park Operations, P2.3.3:**

**Noted**

**3. Animal Control, A4.4**

**Noted**

**4. Swimming Pool, P2.3.1**

**Noted**

**B. Development Applications – Building Matters:**

**B1. Development Applications under Delegated Authority**

**Noted**

**B. Development Applications for the Consideration of Council**

**B2. DA 3/2003 – Michael Mitton - Modification to DA.**

- 339 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Halls that the Modified Development be approved subject to the original conditions and with an additional condition to replace Plan number 4 Grenfell Q/A Concrete Mitton Bros Pty Ltd with drawing number 210/06 Site Plan by Design West dated 14 March 2007.

**C. Other Matters**

**1. Temporary Structures and Places of Public Entertainment, H1.4.3**

**Noted**

**2. Mr D Marsh – Keeping of Dogs, A4.4.3.9**

- 340 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that an extension of time to reduce the dog numbers be granted to the 14 January 2008.

- 341 RESOLVED:** Clr D Hughes and Clr Atchison that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Environmental Services Report be adopted.

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**MINUTES OF THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING:** -  
were here submitted:-

**342 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Hinde that Council write to the Police expressing concern regarding Police numbers and Police not attending meetings.

**343 RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Niven that the Minutes of the Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF THE HENRY LAWSON FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING:** -were here submitted:-

**344 RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Hinde that the Minutes of the Henry Lawson Festival Committee Meeting be noted.

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

**345 RESOLVED:** Clr Halls and Clr D Hughes that the Minutes of the Bushfire Local Matters Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved with Clr Halls replacing Clr Grimm as the mover of the motion in Item No. 5.

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

**346 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Halls that the Minutes of the Weddin Local Traffic Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF THE GRENFELL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING:** -  
were here submitted:-

**347 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that the Minutes of the Grenfell Business Development Committee Meeting be noted.

**MINUTES OF THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING:** -  
were here submitted:-

**348 RESOLVED:** Clr Hinde and Clr D Hughes that the Minutes of the Occupational Health and Safety Committee Meeting be noted.

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

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



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

- 350 RESOLVED:** Clr Hinde and Clr Grimm that the Minutes of the Heritage Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved with Mr J Hetherington replacing Clr Hughes as the seconder of the motion in Item No. 3.

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

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

### **MINUTES OF THE MANEX COMMITTEE MEETING:** were here submitted:-

#### **1A Administration**

##### **(iv) January Council Meeting**

- 352 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Hinde that the January 2008 Council meeting be held on Thursday, 24 January 2008.
- 353 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that the Minutes of the Manex Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein except where otherwise resolved.

### **LIST OF INSPECTIONS, MEETINGS AND DEFERRED ACTIVITIES**

#### **(a) List of Inspections and Deferred Activities.**

##### **1 INSPECTIONS AND MEETINGS:**

1.1	<u>New Depot</u>	<b>In Progress</b>
1.2	<u>Payne's Gravel Pit</u>	<b>In Progress</b>
1.3	<u>Irrigation Pipeline</u>	<b>In Progress</b>
1.4	<u>SIM Contract</u>	<b>In Progress</b>
1.5	<u>Caragabal Airstrip</u>	<b>In Progress</b>

##### **2. DEFERRED ACTIVITIES:**

2.1	<u>Dalton Street Depot</u>	<b>In Progress</b>
2.2	<u>Bankstown City Council</u>	<b>Carried Out</b>
2.3	<u>Irrigation Scheme</u>	<b>Carried Out</b>
2.4	<u>Ward Boundaries</u>	<b>In Progress</b>
2.5	<u>Retention of Wards</u>	<b>In Progress</b>

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### MOTIONS WITH NOTICE

**354 RESOLVED:** Clr Simpson and Clr N Hughes that the following motions be now considered.

**1. Correspondence Item 3, T3.6.2**

**355 RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that Council write to the RTA regarding the matter and the matter also be raised at the meeting with the RTA to be held in Parkes on Thursday, 20 December 2007.

**2. Correspondence Item, U1.4.1, U1.3.9**

**Noted**

### QUESTIONS

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| Clr Atchison   | - | expressed concern in regard to the retention of a local business due to the requirement to install a grease trap.<br>→ Director Environmental Services to investigate.                                       |
| Clr Hinde      | - | enquired what action Council is taking in regards to tyres at the tip.<br>→ Director Environmental Services advised there are plans to send truck tyres to Sydney.   |
| Clr Grimm      | - | enquired if Council is stacking the tyres for removal.<br>→ Director Environmental Services advised yes. (truck tyres)   |
| Clr McClelland | - | requested that the Police be advised that Weddin Shire Council and the Grenfell Business Development Committee (GBDC) support the proposed New Years Eve function and their assistance would be appreciated. |

**CLOSURE:** There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.39 pm

Taken as read and confirmed as a true record this day 24 January 2008.

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