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MINUTES OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING HELD THURSDAY 15 JULY 2010 COMMENCING AT 5.00 PM.

8 July 2010

«Name»

«Title»

Dear «Intro»

NOTICE is hereby given that an **ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF WEDDIN** will be held in the Council Chambers, Grenfell on **THURSDAY NEXT, 15 JULY 2010**, commencing at **5.00 PM*** and your attendance is requested.

*** Note: 4.45 pm – presentation by Cancer Council.**

Yours faithfully

T V LOBB
GENERAL MANAGER

BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES
2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Ordinary Mtg 24 June 2010
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4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
5. CORRESPONDENCE (As per Precis attached)
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(b) Director Corporate Services
(c) Director Engineering
(d) Director Environmental Services
(e) Delegates
9. MINUTES - Town Works Ctee Mtg, 12/07/10
- Manex Ctee Mtg, 13/07/10
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11. TENDERS AND QUOTATIONS
12. QUESTIONS
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PRESENT: The Mayor Cllr M A Simpson in the Chair, Cllrs G B Halls, J C Niven, D W Hughes, N W Hughes, R W Atchison, C M Lobb, M R Crutcher, B R Hinde and G McClelland.
General Manager (T Lobb), Director Corporate Services (G Carroll), Director Engineering (W Twohill) and Director Environmental Services (S Wilson).

APOLOGY: Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

001 **RESOLVED:** Cllr Atchison and Cllr Halls that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held 24 June 2010 be taken as read and **CONFIRMED**.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Council has resolved that a ten minute “question time” be allowed at the beginning of each meeting, where members of the public can put their concerns before Council for discussion on the following basis:

- Requests to speak to be submitted in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.
 - Requests to be accompanied by a copy of any questions.
 - Each speaker to be allowed three minutes.
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The following requests have been received:-

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A Declaration of Interest form has been forwarded with the Business Paper, for completion prior to the meeting.

Completed forms may be declared and handed in at this point.

Councillor	Item No.	Nature of Interest	Type	Left the Room
Clr Simpson	Director Engineering Item 16	Rotary Club Member	Non- Pecuniary	No Reason: Insignificant Interest
	Director Engineering Item 17	Member of RSL	Non- Pecuniary	No Reason: Insignificant Interest
Clr N Hughes	Director Engineering Item 16	Past District Governor – Rotary Club	Non- Pecuniary	Yes
Clr Lobb	General Manager's Report Item 8	Wife of General Manager	Pecuniary	Yes
	Director Engineering Item 16	Board Member – Rotary Club	Non- Pecuniary	Yes
Clr Halls	Correspondence Item C1	Leave Applicant	Non- Pecuniary	Yes

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL HELD, 15 JULY 2010.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clr Halls previously submitted a written declaration of interest and left the room.

1. Clr G Halls, C2.2.6: Applying for leave from the August Council Meeting.

002 RESOLVED: Clr D Hughes and Clr N Hughes that the leave be approved as requested.

Clr Halls returned to the room.

2. Kathleen Smith OAM, T5.14/2010: Relating to the article published in the “Record” 2 July re: the commercial premises in Main Street.

I support the motion of the six councillors when they rejected the classification of this shop be converted to residential. If permission for one is approved it could lead the way for others to do likewise. I am sure it would stop development in the western end of Main Street.

Trudy’s business in lower Main Street has made such an improvement on what was there when a family was in residence.

The Exchange Hotel was empty for some time and in need of much repair, the new owners have made such a difference, it is very attractive for locals and tourists. They have been successful in controlling the pigeons, something they tell me has been hard to do.

I compliment these six councillors on a good decision in rejecting that this shop be converted to a residence.

Noted

3. RTA, R2.51.14: Concerning grants for Regional Roads and Black Grant Traffic Facilities and forwarding the 2010/11 Block Grant Agreement for Council’s signature and prompt return.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Block Grant Agreement be signed on behalf of Council.

003 RESOLVED: Clr Atchison and Clr Niven that the Block Grant Agreement be signed on behalf of Council.

004 RESOLVED: Clr Lobb and Clr D Hughes that the Correspondence be noted except where otherwise resolved.

SUMMARY OF LATE CORRESPONDENCE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL HELD 20 MAY 2010

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the late correspondence be received and dealt with because of the urgency of the matters.

005 **RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Halls that the Late Correspondence be received and dealt with because of the urgency of the matters.

4. Gordon Garling Moffitt, P2.5.3: Concerning the plan of subdivision for the Industrial Estate Davies Place.

We enclose original Administration Sheet for execution by Council.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Administration Sheet be signed under seal of Council.

006 **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr D Hughes that the Administration Sheet be signed under seal of Council.

5. Gordon Garling Moffitt, P2.5.4: Concerning your sale of Makcrete Pty Limited, Industrial Estate, Grenfell.

We advise that the counterpart Contract for Sale has now been executed by the purchaser and thus we enclose original Contract for execution by Council.

RECOMMENDATION: that the contract be signed on behalf of Council.

007 **RESOLVED:** Clr Hinde and Clr McClelland that the contract be signed on behalf of Council.

008 **RESOLVED:** Clr Niven and Clr Halls that the Late Correspondence be noted except where otherwise resolved.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Nil

MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

8 July 2010

The Mayor and Councillors
Weddin Shire Council
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Councillors

I wish to report as follows: -

1. Land & Property Management Authority (LPMA), A3.6.46

The LPMA has forwarded a Memorandum of Understanding for the exchange of data, related information and other services between the Authority and Council. This includes property, survey, mapping, planning and valuation information. No costs are involved except for those services for which charges already apply.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the MoU be signed on behalf of Council.

009 RESOLVED: [Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that the MoU be signed on behalf of Council.](#)

2. Planning and Environmental Law Conference, A3.18.1

The Mayor, General Manager and Director Environmental Services attended the Marsdens Law Group Planning and Environmental Law Conference in Casula on 2 July 2010. Speakers included the Hon Craig Knowles, Hon Barbara Perry MP, Hon Tony Kelly MLC, Garry Payne (Administrator), Monica Barone (General Manager, Sydney City Council), Robert Lang (General Manager, Parramatta City Council), Ian Hemmings (barrister, Adam Seton (Legal Partner). There was a large audience of Mayors, Councillors, planning staff and private practitioners.

Matters of significance were as follows:

- Changes to planning legislation
- Future rate pegging to be assessed by (PART)
- The \$20,000 cap on S.94 contributions
- Reform by regionalisation
- The need for less councils in Sydney
- New legislation for hedge barriers
- Standard template for assessment of Das available from Department of Planning
- Existing use rights have been wound back by the courts
- Integrated planning and reporting will overcome many problems.

The conference always promotes provocative discussion but much of this year's was metro-based.

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3. Rail Branch Lines, T3.8.5

Previous reports refer.

There have been no official announcements to date but Council has received notification by email that the first meeting of the Ministerial Taskforce will take place at Cowra on Thursday 8 July. The Mayor and General Manager will attend as previously resolved.

The chair has been advised as Deputy Director General Joanna Quilty but at this stage the other members are not known.

A verbal report of proceedings should be available at the meeting.

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4. Membership of Council Committees, C2.6.1

Council is required to conduct the Mayoral elections at its September meeting. It is usual at this meeting to also re-appoint all committees, (including community representatives) and delegates.

Council normally invites community members to nominate (or renominate) for the available positions on its committees which are:

Heritage	- 3 positions
Tourism	- 3 positions plus 1 village representative
Cinema	- 4 positions
Art Gallery	- 3 positions

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that applications be invited for the positions of community members on Council committees up until 30 September 2011.

010 **RESOLVED:** Cllr Niven and Cllr Halls that applications be invited for the positions of community members on Council committees up until 30 September 2011.

5. Declaration of Political Donations, A3.27.3

As previously reported, Councillors are now required to submit half yearly declarations of political donations and associated contributions.

The return for the period up to 30 June 2010 is now due and must be lodged with the Election Funding Authority by 25 August 2010. Forms for this purpose are available from the EFA's website.

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6. Cancer Council, H1.7.13

The Cancer Council office has requested the opportunity to present Council's Community Partnership certificate and arrangements have been made for 4.45 pm immediately prior to the Council Meeting.

The Cancer Council representatives will be:

Ms Nella Powell, Manager Western Region, and
Mr Brad Hammond, Regional Programs Coordinator.

**For Information
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7. Lions Club Merry-Go-Round, C1.3.7

Council resolved at its September 2002 Meeting that the annual Workcover inspection of the Lions Club Merry-go-Round be carried out by a suitably qualified staff member.

The device's registration was again due on 31 July 2010 and the necessary inspection has been carried out and the certificate completed.

**For Information
Noted**

8. Leave Application, P4.10041/P4.10015

Application is made for annual leave from 23 August to 27 August 2010.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended `.

It is further recommended that Mr Glenn Carroll be appointed as the Acting General Manager with full delegations from Council.

Clr Lobb previously submitted a written declaration of interest and left the room.

011 RESOLVED: Clr McClelland and Clr N Hughes that:

- (i) the application for leave be approved.
- (ii) Mr Glenn Carroll be appointed as the Acting General Manager with full delegations from Council.

Clr Lobb returned to the room.

9. Management Plan 2009/2010 – June 2010 Quarterly Report, A3.4

In accordance with Section 407 of the Local Government Act a review of the annual Management Plan is to be presented each quarter.

Comments on significant matters relating to the principal activities as at 30 June 2010 are as follows:

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Part A - Management Plan

1. Administration

- a) Management Plan including three year programme budget for 2010/2011 completed and adopted by Council. No office equipment purchased.
Council Chambers repairs - Structural repairs to be undertaken prior to painting.
Replace air conditioner – additional funding provided in 2010/11 budget. To be completed prior to December 2010.
- b) Annual Report and Annual Statements for 2008/2009 completed, audited and submitted to Division of Local Government.
- c) Ongoing training arranged by CENTROC as required. Consultative Committee meeting held on 3 May 2010. Risk Management ongoing.
- d) All plant maintained in good order. Repairs carried out expeditiously, downtime minimised.
- e) Weekly staff meetings held to program engineering work. Equipment maintained regularly.
- f) New depot – operating well. Beautification ongoing. Dalton Street emulsion area rehabilitation completed and ready for sale.
Workcover has advised that fuel licence at Dalton Street has been revoked.

2. Public Order and Safety

- a) Attended meetings when scheduled with Rural Fire Service. Equipment maintained as requested by Rural Fire Service.
- b) Animal Control Officer actively policing Companion Animals Act and carrying out public education in accordance with Council's Animal Management Plan. Complaints dealt with as received.
- c) Provide assistance to SES as required. One LEMC meeting held on 31 May 2010.

3. Health

- a) Public nuisances attended to as required. Complaints dealt with as received. Inspections being undertaken as required to ensure continuing compliance.
- b) Complaints dealt with as received. Inspections conducted as required by the Food Act and Food Authority Partnership.
- c) Pool regulations and editorials have been publicised in local media, prior to swim season.
- d) Inspections and enforcement for noxious weeds continuing.
- e) Dental equipment relocated to Burrangong Street Surgery. Replacement dentist to be sought.
- f) Doctors surgeries maintained as required. Application submitted for Medical Centre and announcements pending.

4. Community Services and Education

- a) No funding identified for aged housing.
- b) Funding application for internet course submitted for Seniors Week. Application was successful with two classes held. Grant funding was also secured to show two free movies at the Cinema.
- c) Youth on Line facilities continue to operate from the Internet Centre, now reinstated to Community Hub.
- d) Social Plan elements reported in Part B.

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5. Housing and Community Amenities

- a) Development applications processed as received and continuing in accordance with legislative requirements. Heritage Advisory service continuing with bi-monthly meetings of committee, twelve month strategy adopted. Village heritage studies adopted with community meetings pending..
Local Building funds – 09/10 heritage grant projects completed and reported to Heritage Office.
- b) State of Environment report for 2008/2009 continuing.
Monitor environment – Public campaign on backyard burning commenced.
- c) Efficient domestic kerbside collection services at Grenfell and Greenethorpe with trade (commercial) service in Grenfell. Grenfell Waste Depot upgrade nearing completion. Manning of the facility commenced in November 2009 and operating well. Kerbside recycling services commenced in Grenfell in July 2009.
- d) Maintenance of cemeteries continuing. Funeral Director to check new Catholic and new Anglican sections with Council staff.
- e) Public conveniences maintained satisfactorily.
- f) Pollution complaints attended to as received.
- g) Repairs and minor maintenance carried out at Council's residences as required.
- h) State Government and Council funding available to commence the Floodplain Risk Management Study. Floodplain Committee met and adopted brief for advertising. Council adopted Committee recommendation to appoint Lyell and Associates as the Consultant. Warraderry Street drainage construction deferred until FRMS completed.

6. Sewerage

- a) Sewer mains breaks and blockages repaired as required.
- b) Soil and water samples analysed as required under license.
- c) All employees accredited for sewer works and mains maintenance. OH & S upgrade works continue, with remote warning now installed.

7. Recreation and Culture

- a) New Library operating very well after refurbishment. New books and equipment being purchased.
New Art Gallery in operation with volunteer management committee. Good quality exhibitions being well received by the public.
New conference room in use. Also utilised as a cinema with volunteer management committee appointed.
- b) Museum Advisor worked very well with local committee. Tourism and Internet Centre Officers assisting local committees.
- c) Grenfell and Quandialla Pools now closed for season. Off season maintenance to be undertaken.
- d) Parks and ovals satisfactorily maintained. Taylor Park playground equipment operating very well and beautification and electric barbecue installed. Inspections and required maintenance completed as required.
- e) O'Briens Hill upgrade - Plans and costings being prepared for viewing shelter and amenities (Stage 1).

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8. Mining, Manufacturing and Construction

- a) Construction Certificates processed. Staged inspections as per requirement of Act. All critical stage inspections are being conducted as per legislative requirements. All applications assessed to ensure compliance with all legislative requirements. General building advice given as requested. All critical stage inspections being conducted on all building works.
- b) Railway Park car park essentially completed, with the final scattercoat and beautification to be completed.

9. Transport and Communications

- a-i) All programmes in progress, Rural Local Roads program to continue.
- g) Tree planting - minimal trees planted due to continuing drought.
- i) Streetlighting provided and maintained by Country Energy.

10. Economic Affairs

- a) Caravan Park facilities promoted and maintained. Current operations under review with a facility upgrade proposed for next three years. Amenities block upgrade and structural checks being planned and costed.
- b) Breakfast meetings of Grenfell Business Development Committee (GBDC) attended by Councillors, Senior Staff and Development Officer. Tourist attractions such as the Weddin Mountains being promoted. Installation of sound system of Henry Lawson Bust completed. Open Day/Market Day held on 24 October 2009. Policies adopted by Council to encourage developers.
- c) Bank building residence occupied by Council staff member. Leasing of commercial area under consideration.
- d) Industrial blocks offered for sale as enquiries received. Industrial Estate master plan being prepared.
- e) Investigation and testing of old gasworks site completed, report received. Final report submitted to DECCW, with no further assistance to be provided.
- f) New equipment and software obtained for the Internet Centre to provide state-of-the-art equipment and a higher standard of service. Training to continue in new building. Regular Internet Centre columns in local paper making people aware of services available. Photographic printing, computer repairs and sales in progress.
- g) Taxi service operating well. New operator appointed.
- h) Arrangements for 2010 Festival complete.

11. General Purpose Revenues

- a) Rate notices determined and issued on time. Rating classifications reviewed. Property transfers attended to promptly.
- b) Grant funding constantly being sought. Surplus funds invested to maximise return and preserve capital.

Part B - Social Plan

- a) Suitable range of children's books purchased for the new Library. Maintenance of skatepark ongoing.
- b) Cycleways – publicised in Social Plan.
- c) Taxi lease operating well. New operator appointed. IT communications improved with broadband now available in Grenfell.

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- d) Dentist equipment relocated to Burrangong Street Surgery. Ongoing consultation with doctors. Assistance provided to Mens Shed.
- e) Letters of welcome issued to all new landowners on arrival.
- f) Shop accesses being considered for improvement. New Federal legislation being reviewed and considered.
- g) Internet Centre has obtained new software for training courses. People from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds welcome. Operating well.
- h) Vandalism reported as required. Vandalism cost recorded. Ongoing reporting to Police. Community service workers given meaningful work beneficial to ratepayers when with the Weddin Shire.

Noted

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GENERAL MANAGER

012 **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Niven that except where otherwise dealt with the General Manager's Report be adopted.

8 July 2010

The General Manager
Weddin Shire Council
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Sir

I wish to report as follows: -

1. Statement of Bank Balances as at 30 June 2010:

Bank Account	
Westpac	<u>\$550,638.25</u>
Investments	
LGIS	
Total Investments	<u>\$3,500,000.00</u>

CERTIFICATE OF RECONCILIATION

I certify that the Cashbook for each Bank Account has been reconciled with the appropriate Bank Statement as at 30 June 2010.

The investments shown above are made with the Local Government Investment Service. I certify that these investments have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act, 1993, the Regulations and Council's investment policies.

For Information
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2. A Summary of Income For The Month of June follows:

Rates Receipts	88,566.80
Accounts Receivable	32,256.24
Government Grants	591,023.40
Agency Collections	9,952.78
Caravan Park Fees	5,174.00
Workers Compensation Reimbursement	22,118.82
Interest on Investments	2,260.27
Other Income	9,229.32
Total	<u>\$760,581.63</u>

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3. Roads and Other Expenditure 2009/2010:

Following are the up to date maintenance figures as at 30 June 2010.

ITEM	VOTE	EXPENDITURE
Rural Roads Maintenance	541,565	531,133
Grenfell Town Streets Maintenance	161,993	143,722
Village Maintenance - Caragabal	6,000	7,008
Village Maintenance - Greenethorpe	6,000	3,310
Village Maintenance - Quandialla	6,000	8,836
Garbage/Recycling Collection	92,400	84,269
Greenethorpe Collections	8,500	6,326
Trade Waste Collection	23,000	11,714
Grenfell Waste Depot Manning/Plant Hire	84,000	92,302
Tips Working Expenses	29,000	37,524
Noxious Plants	74,000	48,136
Parks & Gardens	178,028	182,744
Library Expenditure	110,755	94,789
Baths Income	-22,000	23,436
Baths Expenditure	106,514	98,860
Caravan Park Income	-32,000	59,149
Caravan Park Expenditure	64,691	68,245

RTA GRANT WORKS

DESCRIPTION	VOTE	EXPENDITURE
2009/10 State Roads (SH 6)	1,116,045	1,116,045
2009/10 National Roads (SH 17)	410,000	213,382
2009/10 Regional Roads Block Grant	425,000	373,674
2009/2010 REPAIR Program MR398	300,000	265,710
3 x 3 Program - MR 398	68,000	8,088

2009/2010 Rural Local Roads	VOTE	EXPENDITURE
Maintenance general	22,000	22,941
Reseals	99,000	92,792
Caragabal - Quandialla	33,000	2,970
Gerrybang Road	64,000	69,480
Pinnacle Road	67,000	105,972
Driftway Road	90,000	114,071
Grenfell Streets Construction	39,000	36,851
Grenfell Kerb and Gutter	29,000	12,521
Grenfell Streets - Footpaving	33,000	24,923
Warraderry Street Drainage	111,000	9,990
Reconstruct Village Streets	5,864	527
Taylor Park Playground Equipment	9,000	9,988
Manganese Road Drainage	27,000	32,389
Burrett/Vaughn Streets	5,000	450
Gravel Resheeting	110,000	91,868
Overexpenditure 2008/2009	53,096	53,096
Total	796,960	680,829

2009/2010 Roads to Recovery	VOTE	EXPENDITURE
Grenfell Reseals	80,000	78,584
Gerrybang Road	122,000	123,750
Rural Roads Reseals	120,000	120,761
Old Young Road	128,876	127,781
Total	450,876	450,876

**For Information
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4. Debt Recovery – Rates and Debtors, A1.7

Reference is made to the report to the June 2010 Council Meeting advising of the status of debt recovery in regard to rates and debtors.

As reported to the June Meeting the debt recovery process is ongoing and a new round of debt recovery for both debtors and rates is in progress which is nearing completion. A new round of debt recovery will begin after the rate levy process is completed.

The outstanding rates percentage as at 30th June 2010 should be known by the October 2010 Council Meeting.

The sale of land for overdue rates will be conducted in 2010.

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5. Sale of Land for Overdue Rates, R1.9

As previously advised to Council it is proposed to conduct a Sale of Land for overdue rates under Section 713(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 on Friday 26 November 2010.

A list of lands that may be sold for overdue rates has now been compiled and is submitted as follows:-

Ass No	Valuation No	Description	Location	Amount Due
2170	478041	LOTS 2 & 3 SEC 1 DP 7763	Quandialla	2650.77
2428	478046	LOT 7 SEC F DP 11666	Quandialla	4449.14
2444	478047	LOT 8 SEC F DP 11666	Quandialla	4449.14
3285	477322	LOT 4 PT 5 7 SEC 2 DP 758651	Ph Berrigan	2117.82
4408	477372	LOT 2 SEC 7 DP 758108	Bimbi	4357.33
4440	477375	LOT 6 SEC 7 DP 758108	Bimbi	3542.56
6098	477813	LOT 17 SEC N DP 6279	Greenethorpe	1676.34
7161	477845	LOT 21 SEC P DP 6279	Greenethorpe	1903.32
7427	477853	LOT 25 SEC E DP 6279	Greenethorpe	1410.59
8201	477878	COR LOT 29 SEC F DP 6279	Greenethorpe	1406.64
8458	477892	LOT 11 SEC G DP 6279	Greenethorpe	2239.89
10587	478362	COR LOTS 7/8 SEC C & COR LOT 8 SEC A DP 7892	Caragabal	1275.27
10652	478372	LOT 5 SEC A DP 7892	Caragabal	2730.18
10678	478374	LOT 1 SEC D DP 7892	Caragabal	2934.90
10702	478377	LOTS 33/34 SEC A DP 7892	Caragabal	2802.29
10751	478383	COR LOTS 41/42 1 & 4 SEC A DP 7892	Caragabal	2772.43
10835	478389	COR LOT 11 SEC B DP 7915	Caragabal	3527.34
10876	478392	SEC 5 LOT 1 DP 758224	Caragabal	1959.83
10975	478398	LOTS 9 & 10 SEC A DP 7892	Caragabal	2604.92
11247	478096	LOT 6 SEC 2 DP 7763	Quandialla	2693.65
11411	478406	LOTS 34/35 SEC D DP 7892	Caragabal	2775.76
20586	479485	LOT 1 DP 358032	Grenfell	12933.77
22715	479581	LOT 1 DP 12368	Grenfell	9011.03
27250	477852	LOT 2 SEC N DP 6279	Greenethorpe	2363.66
28076	2862582	LOT 19 DP 112947	Ph Coba	1908.25
28779	3065234	LOT 3 SEC 31 DP 758473	Grenfell	3439.46
29017	3082068	LOT 18 DP 1063500	Ph Brundah	3520.78

It is certified that the foregoing rates are overdue and that the Certificates under section 713 (3) of the Local Government Act 1993 have been prepared.

RECOMMENDATION:

- i) that the lands listed above be sold for overdue rates;
- ii) that the sale be conducted jointly by both Grenfell Real Estate Agencies at the Grenfell Community Hub on Friday 26 November 2010;
- iii) that Council's solicitors Gordon Garling Moffitt be formally engaged to act on Council's behalf.

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Clr McClelland declared a pecuniary conflict of interest as a real estate agent and left the room.

- 013 **RESOLVED:** Clr Hinde and Clr Atchison that:
- i) lands listed above be sold for overdue rates;
 - ii) the sale be conducted jointly by both Grenfell Real Estate Agencies at the Grenfell Community Hub on Friday 26 November 2010;
 - iii) Council's solicitors Gordon Garling Moffitt be formally engaged to act on Council's behalf.

Clr McClelland returned to the room.

6. Insurance Renewals 2010/2011 A3.11.1

Quotations were recently received for Council's Insurance Renewals for the 2010/2011 financial year.

Councillors may be aware that Insurance cover for Public Liability/Professional Indemnity, Fidelity Guarantee and Industrial Special Risks (property) classes of insurance is provided through "Statewide" Mutual Liability Scheme which is administered through Jardine Lloyd Thompson Insurance Brokers. There are no recognised Insurance Companies willing to underwrite Primary Liability Insurance for the Local Government Sector in New South Wales.

In the past the continuation of Public Liability premium increases have resulted from the continuing escalation of claims incurred by Councils, the generous attitude of the Courts in handing down favourable awards to plaintiffs and more recently insurance companies endeavouring to recoup monies from previous massive payouts. However, with the introduction of the new State Government Legislation in regard to Public Liability Insurance effective from 1 July 2002 and a refreshing change in attitude of the courts Council's premium has actually remained the same as the 2009/2010 financial year which is very pleasing.

Council also qualified for the bonus under Statewides "Risk Management Bonus System" introduced in the 2004/2005 financial year which resulted in a reimbursement of \$10,833. It is anticipated we will again qualify for the bonus in the 2010/2011 financial year. With the Public Liability/Professional Indemnity excess remaining at \$10,000 Council staff certainly need to ensure that all proper Risk Management Practices are in place.

Renewal terms offered to Council for the 2010/2011 financial year are detailed in Table 1:

Table 1:

Class of Insurance	Insurer	2009/2010 Premium (GST Inc)	2010/2011		
			Premium	GST	Total
Public Liability/ Professional Indemnity	Statewide Mutual	92,273.50	83,885.00	8,388.50	92,273.50
Fidelity Guarantee	Statewide Mutual	841.24	614.26	61.43	675.69
Councillors and Officers Liability	Comm of Australia/St Pauls International	7,778.63	7,844.46	784.45	8,628.91
Members Accident	Mercantile Mutual	1,963.50	1,910.00	191.00	2,101.00
Industrial Special Risks (property)	Statewide Mutual	53,231.35	55,789.22	5,578.92	61,368.14
Motor Vehicles	Zurich	42,545.75	39,959.40	3,995.94	43,955.34
Workers Compensation	StateCover Mutual	59,670.02	TBA	TBA	TBA

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Council's Motor Vehicle Insurance premium has increased by \$1,409.59 due to a general increase while Council's Property Insurance premium increased by \$8,136.79 due to a general increase and the insurance value of properties increasing. The Mutual schemes are generally working very effectively as they are returning bonuses to Council as well as keeping premiums to a reasonable level.

Workers Compensation is the one class of insurance where Council has in the past made significant savings with the introduction of State Cover Mutual Limited effective from July 2001.

StateCover is a mutual self insurance scheme for Workers Compensation and has been implemented by the Local Government and Shires Association of NSW (LGSA) to establish a specialised insurer for Local Government Authorities. This has the benefit of:

- The delivery of a wider range of services on an integrated and coordinated basis tailored to suit the industry's needs;
- A more responsive and consultative level of service;
- The provision of in-house and external loss management services, including the development of accident prevention strategies to tackle industry specific problems and the sharing of such solutions amongst all member Councils;
- The provision of in-house and external rehabilitation services, specialising in local government and the development of industry based rehabilitation strategies;
- The establishment of a local government specific workers compensation claims data base and a comprehensive Occupational Health and Safety information data base, accessible to all member councils;
- Greater "ownership" and accountability towards the costs of work related injuries by participating Councils; and
- Real and sustainable cost savings arising out of a reduction in claims frequency and severity.

With the finalisation of various claims in the last two (2) years Council's premium has been dramatically reduced. It is expected a similar cost will be incurred in the 2010/2011 financial year as the 2009/2010 financial year which is also very pleasing.

RECOMMENDATION: that Council endorse the actions of the General Manager in accepting the Insurance Premium Renewals as listed in Table 1 for the 2010/2011 financial year.

014 **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr D Hughes that Council endorse the actions of the General Manager in accepting the Insurance Premium Renewals as listed in Table 1 for the 2010/2011 financial year.

7. Grenfell Library, C2.6.29

Activities by the Librarian over the last month include the following:-

- Arranging the Summer Reading Club Awards Afternoon Tea to be held on Monday 26 July, 2010. Twelve acceptances to date.
- Continuing the programme of stock weeding with weeding of the adult fiction and large print books. Other print collections will be weeded over coming months.
- Three Pre-School Story Times were presented during June.

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- A weekly “Knit, Natter and Nibble” session will be held in the library each Friday morning in July with volunteer participants to knit squares for the “Wrap with Love” project sponsored by ABC radio and supported by public libraries.
- Only one person attended the library on Saturday, 19 June, to undertake family history research. It is anticipated that Mrs Agnes Besant will be on hand to provide assistance in July which may increase attendance.
- The library’s trial subscription to the Your Tutor online homework and study help programme has been terminated due to lack of interest.
- The librarian attended a half-day workshop on using the State Library’s Health Information Service at Dubbo on 23rd June.
- Both new casual employees have spent a day managing the library without supervision and indicated they experienced no difficulties.
- Submitted an entry for the New South Wales Public Libraries Marketing Award based on the events surrounding the visit of the Aussie Cookbooks Exhibition from the State Library last December.

**For Information
Noted**

8. Economic Development, C2.6.21

Council’s Economic Development Manager has been involved in the following activities:

- Council’s Economic Development Strategy review is in progress. Ian Mackey from Cre8 Community Growth and Development is seeking further responses to the surveys recently issued and will be in Grenfell on 26/27 July 2010 to conduct one on one interviews with various business people. The draft report and the final report to be completed after responses collated.
- Aussie Host customer service training cancelled due to lack of numbers. Alternatively, Samantha Hain will be approached to conduct other Customer Service Sessions.
- Attended the EDO forum on Tuesday 15 June at Cowra.
- Conducted a presentation to high school students on June 8 regarding the Open Day.

**For Information
Noted**

9. Tourism/Promotions, C2.6.2

Council’s Tourism Manager has been involved in the following activities:-

- Sending all bird groups in Australia invitations and flyers to encourage them to visit the Weddin Shire. A bird fair will be held at Leeton in September 2010 and Rankin Springs in October 2010.
- The Weddin Shire Tourism brochures are currently being distributed to surrounding areas.
- The funding application for the Gold Trail Project is to be resubmitted possibly in August 2010. Gold trail brochure to be developed.
- “Information Bay” signage from Civic Guide to be ordered. Received a second draft of the sign back from Civic Guide which is currently being reviewed . The signs to be placed at the Obelisk and Railway Station.

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- Ben Hall Trail project in progress with a brochure currently being developed.
- Arranged the promotion of the Henry Lawson Festival held on the June Long Weekend.
- Facilitated the visit to Grenfell by various “Getaway” representatives who filmed various festival activities. To be aired in the lead up to next years festival.

For Information
Noted

10. Grenfell Internet Centre, C2.6.28

Council’s Internet Centre Manager has been involved in the following activities:-

- Developing other income streams such as designing and printing funeral service booklets and various cards. Examples to be featured in a window display.
- Tech Talk articles submitted in the Grenfell Record on a regular basis. An article on Scams to be submitted in due course. They are being well received by the public.
- Window displays addressed and constantly changing.
- A new computer game “Age of Empires” has been sourced and loaded on all of the computers. Promotion of the game in progress.
- A flyer mail out to households promoting the services available conducted. Further mail out being considered.
- Updated festival website and designed documents.
- Hosted a work experience student from the HLHS the week beginning 28th June 2010.
- Visiting local businesses to discuss services available at the Internet Centre.

For Information
Noted

11. Half Yearly Audit, A1.6

Council’s auditors Morse Group of Orange conducted the half yearly audit on Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 June 2010.

The half yearly audit report will be presented to the August 2010 Council Meeting.

For Information
Noted

GLENN CARROLL
DIRECTOR
CORPORATE SERVICES

015 **RESOLVED:** Cllr Niven and Cllr McClelland that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Corporate Services Ordinary Report be adopted.

8 July 2010

The General Manager
Weddin Shire Council
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Sir

I wish to report as follows:

1. Works Report (4 July 2010)

1.1 Classified Roads Maintenance

Routine maintenance such as Slashing, Patching and Guide-posting has continued on a majority of classified roads during the month

SH6 - General Maintenance
- Construct & seal 2km of Warrakimbo Rehabilitation

SH17 - General Maintenance

MR398 - General Maintenance
- Started Holy Camp Road Intersection Upgrade

MR236 - General Maintenance

MR237 - General Maintenance

MR239 - General Maintenance
- Started Weddin Street Rehab

1.2 Rural Local Roads Programme

Routine maintenance such as Slashing, Patching & Guide Posting has continued on a majority of classified roads during the month

1.3 Rural Maintenance

Routine maintenance such as Slashing, Patching & Guide Posting has continued on a majority of rural roads during the month

- General Maintenance
- Maintenance graded Wheatleys Road, Martins Lane
- Gravel resheet on Woodgates Lane
- Installed 3 cell pipe culvert on Holy Camp Road near Mary Gilmore Way
- Shoulder graded New Forbes Road
- Filled large scour at Company Dam near toilet.

1.4 Urban Maintenance/Construction

- General maintenance
- Prepared E waste for recycling
- Erected Vaughn Park Play Equipment
- Railway Car Park – signs and beatification to complete construction. Payment for hot water system in toilet block made to Lions.

For Information
Noted

2. Other Works

2.1 Parks & Ovals Report

Routine maintenance has been carried out during the month such as gardening, weeding, mowing and spraying

- General Maintenance
- GTA tree lifting
- Planted 27 trees in Taylor Park's upgrade programme
- Cleared GTA drainage pits
- Cleaned up after festival

2.2 Cemeteries

The following graves have been prepared from: 21-06-10 to 04-07-10

-	Grenfell Lawn	-	3
-	Grenfell	-	Nil
-	Bimbi	-	Nil
-	Caragabal	-	Nil

2.3 Sewer Mains

Seven (7) sewer chokes have been attended to during the month.

2.4 Private Works

- Erected School signs for RTA
- Cleared a sewer choke for a Ratepayer

2.5 Vandalism

- Repaired female toilet at Caragabal & removed Graffiti from toilet shelter & play equipment \$250.00

Total Cost: \$250.00

Final Cost Urban: \$6,575.00

Final Cost Rural: \$750.00

(from 1/7/2009 to 30/6/2010)

For Information
Noted

3. Future Works

3.1 Rural

- General Maintenance
- Guideposts on Warrakimbo Rehabilitation (SH6)
- Commence MR398 widening
- Complete Holy Camp Rd/Mary Gilmore Way intersection widening.

3.2 Urban

- General Maintenance
- Plant Camp Street roundabout
- complete Vaughn Park playground
- complete Weddin Street rehabilitation
- complete Railway Carpark and beautification

**For Information
Noted**

4. CENTROC WOLG, C2.7.16:

In the last month the CENTROC Weight of Loads Group detected One (1) breach totalling \$1,013.

**For Information
Noted**

5. Plant Report

Significant plant and vehicle maintenance, in accordance with the details as listed below, was carried out during the month:-

Plant No	Plant Item	Maintenance
	General plant	General maintenance
PI 4102	CAT 120M Grader	Major service
PI4070	Grid roller	Major service
	RFS vehicles	Annual service
PI4094	Case 580 SLE backhoe	Major service
PI 4098	Isuzu Jet Patcher	Remove & repair hopper.

It is proposed to call tenders shortly for the replacement of Grader PI 4052.

**For Information
Noted**

6. Engineers Alliance – Weddin, Forbes, Parkes and Lachlan, C2.9.9

The Roads Asset Management Plan is nearing completion.

**For Information
Noted**

7. RTA RMCC Contract, R2.54.4

Routine maintenance works on SH6 & SH17 continue.

A work order has been issued for the 2010/2011 reseal programme for SH6. The RTA is not proposing to carry out any reseals on SH17 within this programme.

Council has prepared the heavy patching proposals for SH6 and SH17 and will submit these proposals when requested by the RTA.

The rehabilitation project on SH17 has been scoped and the construction drawings will be issued shortly by the RTA for Council to prepare an estimate.

For Information
Noted

8. Noxious Weed Report – June, C2.6.16

The Noxious Weeds Officer has carried out the following works:-

- Spraying of blackberries at the Bumbaldry roadside;
- Attended Queenbeyan for 1 week to be trained in Legal 2 studies, Legal 3 in Maitland next month.
- Park inspections Grenfell and Caragabal
- Administration and 48 property inspections throughout the month of June
- Organising Lachlan Valley Weeds Committee meeting to be held in Grenfell 14 July 2010.
- Spraying of cactus plants on the Cowra Road.

For Information
Noted

9. Draft Constitution of the Caragabal Recreation Reserve, C1.3.14

The Department of Local Government Better Practice Review Report - recommendation 12, required that Council develop constitutions for all Section 355 Committees.

The Draft Constitution has been prepared and given to the Caragabal Recreation Reserve Committee.

The purpose of the constitution is to provide clear direction and parameters for the committee to operate in its operation role, that see them organise, promote, coordinate and conduct the operations of the Caragabal Recreation Reserve.

The Committee is an operational committee of the Council and as such it reports to the General Manager or his delegate. Membership is open to councillors as private citizens.

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The Caragabal Recreation Reserve Committee have offered no objection to the Draft Constitution. A copy of the Draft Constitution is forwarded separately.

RECOMMENDATION: that the draft Constitution of the Caragabal Recreation Reserve Committee be adopted.

016 RESOLVED: Clr Lobb and Clr Halls that the draft Constitution of the Caragabal Recreation Reserve Committee be adopted.

10. Vehicle Changeover, P6.1.5.1

The following vehicles have been changed over under the current policy:-

FIRM	PLANT ITEM					TOTAL
	PI 1088 Holden Commodore (Nirupan) 65,000 km approx.	PI 1089 Holden Commodore (Director Corporate Services) 66,000 km approx.	PI 1093 Toyota Aurion (N Perera) 76,000 km approx	PI 1094 Toyota Aurion (General Manager) 65,000 km	PI 1095 Toyota Aurion (Director Engineering) 90,000 km approx	
Frank Spice Holden Omega	\$18,697	\$19,697	\$19,697	\$16,447	\$18,447	\$92,985
Waugoola Motors Pty Ltd Omega or International Sedan	\$21,077	\$20,577	\$21,077	\$16,577	\$20,077	\$99,385
Bathurst Motors International	\$17,008	\$18,008	\$18,358	\$18,358	\$18,108	\$89,840
Bathurst Motors Omega	\$17,787	\$18,787	\$19,137	\$19,137	\$18,887	\$93,735
Jeffery Toyota Aurion	\$17,000	\$17,300	\$17,000	\$15,000	\$17,000	\$83,300
Oliver Motors Pty Ltd Aurion	\$17,000	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$14,500	\$16,500	\$83,000
Orange Toyota Aurion	\$15,213.45*	\$15,213.45*	\$14,213.45*	\$13,713.45*	\$15,213.45*	\$73,567.25*
Tony Leahey Ford Nissan X-Trail	\$18,450	\$18,450	\$17,886	\$17,661	\$18,761	\$91,208
Marlo Motors Nissan X-Trail	BULK TRADE-IN PRICE \$64,500					\$103,350

*denotes purchase

**For Information
Noted**

11. Regional & Local Community Infrastructure Program (Round 3) G2.18.1

Council has been advised that it will receive \$30,000 in this latest round of funding, with the deadline for the application lodgement being 30 July 2010.

No submissions were received from Councillors.

The Taylor Park playground requires only a shade sail to complete the playground project at an estimated cost of \$10,000.

The Vaughn Park playground equipment could be added to in the future, but to complete the current programme would require two (2) shade sails at an estimated cost of \$20,000.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council allocate

- a) \$10,000 for a shade sail in Taylor Park
- b) \$20,000 for two (2) shade sails in Vaughn Park

from the Regional & Local Community Infrastructure Program (Round 3).

017 RESOLVED: Clr Hinde and Clr Atchison that Council allocate:

- a) \$10,000 for a shade sail in Taylor Park
- b) \$20,000 for two (2) shade sails in Vaughn Park

from the Regional & Local Community Infrastructure Program (Round 3).

12. Road Closure Application, R2.1.4

The owner of “Springfield” has applied to close a number of crown public roads between Barrs Lane and Moores Lane and Tyagong Ck.

The roads have been inspected and have not been used or maintained as roads. These roads would not be required by Weddin Shire Council. A copy of the plan will be available at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: that Council support the application from the owner of “Springfield” for the closure of a number of Crown Public Roads between Barrs Lane, Moores Lane and Tyagong Ck.

018 RESOLVED: Clr D Hughes and Clr N Hughes that Council support the application from the owner of “Springfield” for the closure of a number of Crown Public Roads between Barrs Lane, Moores Lane and Tyagong Ck.

13. Road Closure Application, R2.1.4

The owners of “Rosemont” and “Jungara” (Holy Camp Rd) have applied to close a number of Crown Public Roads on their properties.

The roads have been inspected and have not been used or maintained as roads. These roads would not be required by Weddin Shire Council. A copy of the plan will be available at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council support the application from the owners of “Rosemont” and “Jungara” for the closure of a number of crown public roads traversing their properties.

- 019** **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr Lobb that Council support the application from the owners of “Rosemont” and “Jungara” for the closure of a number of crown public roads traversing their properties.

14. Road Closure Application, R2.1.4

Mr I W & Mrs B Jones have applied to close a Crown Public Road on their property fronting Mary Gilmore Way.

The roads have been inspected and have not been used or maintained as roads. These roads would not be required by Weddin Shire Council. A copy of the plan will be available at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council support the application from Mr I W & Mrs B Jones for the closure a crown public road traversing their property on Mary Gilmore Way.

- 020** **RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr Niven that Council support the application from Mr I W & Mrs B Jones for the closure a crown public road traversing their property on Mary Gilmore Way.

15. Road Closure Application, R2.1.4

Mr PH & Mrs J Croll have applied to close a Crown Public Road leading to their property “Baevview” from the unformed extension of Berrys Road.

The roads have been inspected and have not been used or maintained as roads. These roads would not be required by Weddin Shire Council. A copy of the plan will be available at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council support the application from Mr P H & Mrs J Croll for the closure of the crown public road leading to their property “Baevview” from the unformed extension of Berrys Road.

- 021** **RESOLVED:** Clr McClelland and Clr D Hughes that Council support the application from Mr P H & Mrs J Croll for the closure of the crown public road leading to their property “Baevview” from the unformed extension of Berrys Road.

16. Community Building Partnership 2010 Grant, G2.11.4

The NSW Government is offering \$300,000 in each electoral district for community groups and local Councils to build or upgrade local facilities.

Rotary Club of Grenfell Inc was successful in a previous grant application to purchase and construct new playground equipment in Rotary Park. This project will commence shortly and probably not be extended to in that location. To finish the project will require two shade sails over this equipment, at a estimated cost of \$25,000.

If Council was to apply for the grant, it would require matching funding, but if Rotary was to apply, there would be no funding commitment required based on the guidelines.

As Council has not allocated funding for this type of grant, it may be more appropriate to support Rotary's grant application.

There are two (2) other projects that council could consider.

These are:

- a) upgrade/replace the public toilets in Taylor Park \$100,000.
These toilets are gaining more use with the new playground equipment and barbeque attraction in the park as well as for travellers. The toilets would be disabled friendly and with a baby change table.
- b) upgrade/replace the public toilets in Lawson Oval at an estimated cost of \$100,000.

These toilets are used widely by sporting groups and spectators. However as Council has not allocated funding for either of these two projects in 2010/11, it may wish to defer a grant application for future projects.

Toilets were not permissible in previous project.

NOTE: General Manager declares a conflict of interest as an office bearer of the Rotary Club.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council advise Rotary that it would support an application from Rotary under the Community Building Partnership 2010 Grant for 2 shadesails over the Rotary Park playground equipment at an estimated cost of \$25,000.

Clr Simpson previously submitted a written declaration of interest and stayed in the room.

Clr N Hughes and Clr Lobb previously submitted written declarations of interest and left the room.

022 RESOLVED: Clr Atchison and Clr Niven that Council advise Rotary that it would support an application from Rotary under the Community Building Partnership 2010 Grant for 2 shadesails over the Rotary Park playground equipment at an estimated cost of \$25,000.

Clr N Hughes and Clr Lobb returned to the room.

17. Memorial Park, P2.1.8:

The Grenfell Sub Branch of the RSL has proposed a number of improvements to Memorial Park as follows:-

- The erection of a plaque at least 600 mm x 900 m on the existing WWII monument facing the east to recognise those servicemen and women from the Weddin Shire who served above and beyond the call of duty. The Plaque would display the theatre of war, their names and their post nominals, with a glossary of terms. The existing brass wreath would have to be removed.

No objection is raised to the placing of this plaque subject to the Grenfell Sub Branch funding the cost and placement of the plaque.

- The laying of extra pavers in front of the Cenotaph in the area reserved for ex-service personnel to form up.

In my opinion, the extra pavers would spoil the layout of the Cenotaph and would detract from the original design. Consideration could be given to the placement of pavers which would allow the grass to grow through the interstices which would allow a stable footing for people to stand on, but would still be movable and retain the grass look.

- Extra lighting to be placed closer to the Cenotaph for the dawn service – to be investigated.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- a) offer no objection to the placement of a plaque on the existing WWII monument at the Grenfell Sub Branch of the RSL's cost.
- b) investigate improvements to the standing areas in front of the Cenotaph.
- c) investigate lighting improvements at the memorial Park.

Clr Simpson previously submitted a written declaration of interest and stayed in the room.

023 RESOLVED: Clr McClelland and Clr Atchison that Council:

- a) offer no objection to the placement of a plaque on the existing WWII monument at the Grenfell Sub Branch at the RSL's cost.
- b) decline laying pavers to the standing areas in front of the Cenotaph.
- c) investigate lighting improvements at the Memorial Park.

W TWOHILL
DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

024 RESOLVED: Clr N Hughes and Clr Niven that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Engineering's Ordinary Report be adopted.

The General Manager
Weddin Shire Council
PO Box 125
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Sir

I wish to report to Council as follows:-

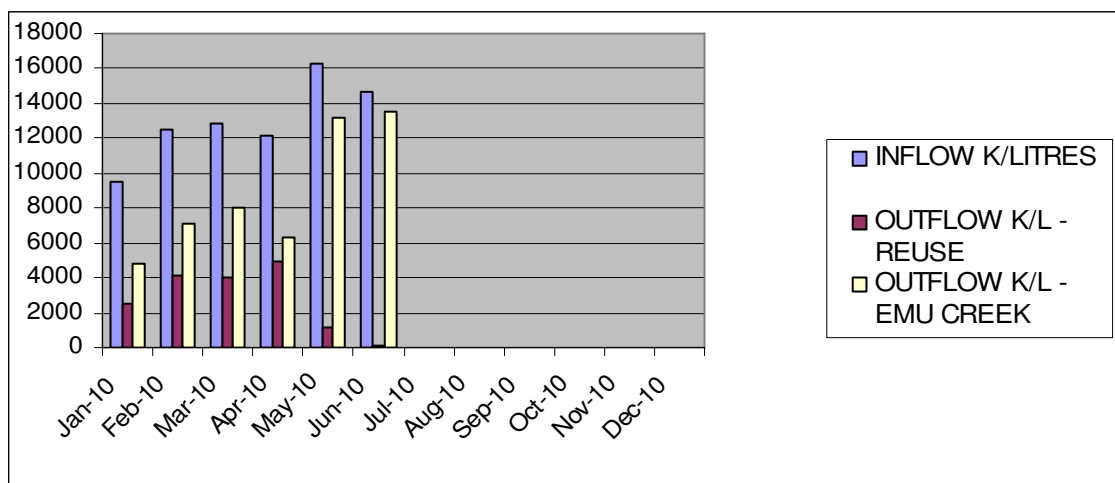
A. Public Health and Environmental Matters

1. Sewerage Treatment Works, S1.1.1

Total inflow through the Works during June 2010 was 14,717 k/litres with the daily average of 490.56 k/litres. With outflow for irrigation for reuse being 69 k/litres and discharge to Emu Creek being 13,141 k/litres.

The highest daily recording of 651 k/litres occurred for the 24 hours ending 6.30 am on 18 June 2010 and the lowest of 373 k/litres for the 24 hours ending 6.30 am on 26 June 2010.

A total rainfall of 31mm was recorded for the month.



For Council's Information
Noted

2. Animal Control, A4.4.4

Animal control activities for June 2010 were:

a. Companion Animals

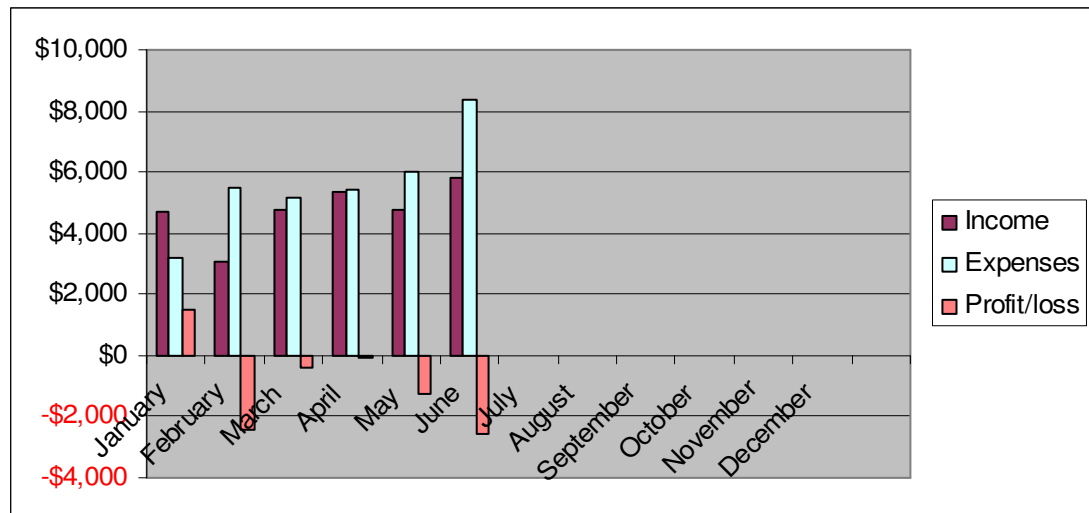
Animals Impounded:	1	Animals Destroyed:	0
Animals Sold:	0	Animals Released:	1
Animals Surrendered:	0		

For Council's Information
Noted

3. Caravan Park Operations, P2.3.3

Income for the month of June 2010 was \$5,839.00 with expenditure of \$8,380.30 resulting in an operational loss of \$2,541.30 for the month. The loss was due to a relief manager being required for most of the month.

There were 227 sites occupied for the month of June 2010.



For Council's Information

Noted

4. Backyard Composting, E3.3

NetWaste, with the support of Centroc, will be running a home composting program. Six (6) councils have signed up to participate in the program including Parkes, Lachlan, Weddin, Cabonne, Lithgow and Dubbo.

Departmental staff will be attending a workshop on 23 July 2010 and will receive promotional material and training in how to run a compost workshop. NetWaste/Centroc will provide each Council with approx 8 composting bins to give away at the workshops.

Each Council will promote their proposed workshops and run a pilot workshop in August with Sue Clark (NetWaste) to provide support.

At the end of October each Council is to conduct a "Compost Cook Off" event with composting participants invited to have their compost judged, with prizes to be won.

For Council's Information

Noted

5. Netwaste Education Programs, E3.3.7

The NetWaste Environmental Learning Officer and Departmental staff visited local schools in May to talk with the Principals about workshops that NetWaste can offer free of charge to our schools.

Workshops include:

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- Whoops....That Doesn't Go in the Recycle Bin
- Reduce Reuse Recycle
- Rubbish = Resource
- Worm Power
- Caught On Composting
- Litter Litter Everywhere

There was a good response from the Principals in regard to the programs with 5 schools agreeing to have 1 or 2 workshops run in August appropriate to age/class.

For Council's Information
Noted

B. Development Applications – Building Matters:

1. The undermentioned applications were received and determined subject to specified conditions, by the General Manager under delegated authority issued on 22 January 2009 (Res. No. 367):

DA NO.	Applicant	Construction	Value (\$)	Address
13/2010	Weddin Shire Council	Subdivision	\$0	Lot: 326 DP: 754578 Bimbi Road GRENFELL NSW 2810

For Council's Information
Noted

2. The undermentioned applications were received and determined as Complying Development subject to standard conditions.

CDC NO.	Applicant	Construction	Value (\$)	Address

For Council's Information
Noted

S WILSON
DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

025 **RESOLVED:** Cllr Hinde and Cllr McClelland that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Environmental Services Ordinary Report be adopted.

MINUTES OF THE TOWN WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 12 JULY 2010 AT 5.00 PM (C2.6.8).

1. **PRESENT:** Clr B Hinde, C Lobb, G McClelland,
Messrs T Lobb, W Twohill and S Wilson.

2. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR:**

Resolved: Clr Lobb and Clr Hinde that Clr McClelland be appointed as chair.

3. **APOLOGY:** Clr W Atchison.

Resolved: Clr Crutcher and Clr Hinde that the apology be accepted.

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

Resolved: Clr Hinde and Clr Lobb that the minutes of 21 June 2010 be adopted.

5. **MATTERS ARISING:**

Main Street bins: the Director Engineering is still investigating as time permits.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Nil

7. **REPORTS:**

General Manager's Report:

Nil

Director Corporate Services Report:

Report on Town Costings, Sale of land.

Noted

Director Engineering's Report:

Reports on Works Report, Other Works, Future Works, Infrastructure Program.

Noted

Item 16 – Community Grants:

Clr Lobb declared a pecuniary interest but did not leave the meeting as there would have been no quorum. The matter was not discussed.

Director Environmental Services Report

Reports on Sewerage Treatment Works, Caravan Park and Town Development applications.

Noted

8. **BUSINESS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

9. **QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

10. **NEXT MEETING:** Monday 16 August 2010 at 5.00pm or as otherwise arranged.

11. **CLOSURE:** There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.24 pm.

MINUTES OF THE MANEX MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 13 JULY 2010 AT 8.30 AM (C2.6.10)

Present: T Lobb, G Carroll, W Twohill, S Wilson and Clr M Simpson (Observer).

Apology: Nil

Minutes:

Resolved: S Wilson and W Twohill that the minutes of 21 June 2010 be adopted as circulated.

General Business:

1A Administration

- (i) Integrated Planning – Preliminary programme of implementation to be prepared. Training courses to be attended. Forum to be held in Sydney on Friday 23 July 2010. General Manager and Directors to consider attending.
- (ii) GIPA Act – commenced 1 July 2010. This new act will replace the Freedom of Information Act 1989 and introduces a new “Right to Information” regime in NSW. Endeavouring to make Local Government more open and transparent.
- (iii) Fuel Cards – a new supplier required. Director Engineering to pursue.
- (iv) Division of Local Government Better Practice Review – progress report to 30 June 2010 due. General Manager and Directors finalising.
- (v) Code of Conduct Training – training of staff to be organised. General Manager and Directors to pursue.

1B Human Resources

- (i) Vacancies
 - Engineering –Patch Truck Supervisor and Quandialla Village Maintenance position to be advertised.
 - Environmental – Sewer Attendants’ position to be advertised in due course.
- (ii) School based traineeships – General Manager and Director Engineering discussed the initiative with the Henry Lawson High School Principal and Careers Advisor. To be considered.

2. Public Order and Safety

Nil.

3. Health

- (i) Medical Centre – grant funding application unsuccessful. To be resubmitted.
- (ii) Hospital Dispute – General Manager to submit a late report to Council.

4. Community Services and Education

Nil

5. Housing and Community Amenities

Nil

6. Sewerage

- (i) Strategic Plan Review – process in progress however currently on hold as advice received the review can be undertaken in conjunction with the IWCM strategy study. Director Environmental Services and Director Engineering pursuing.
- (ii) Sewerage Treatment Works – telemetry system installed. A Text message is now able to be sent to Director Environmental Services and Sewerage Treatment Works operator simultaneously if a problem occurs.

7. Recreation and Culture

- (i) Art Gallery – new exhibition commenced 19 June 2010. Excellent recent sales.
- (ii) Cinema – To be reactivated in due course.
- (iii) Railway Park - Toilet block hot water system costs reimbursed.
- (iv) Memorial Park – see report by Director Engineering.

8. Mining Manufacture and Construction

Nil

9. Transport and Communication

- (i) RTA Contract – reported in Director Engineering's report.
- (ii) Other Programs **Noted**
- (iii) Rail Branch Lines – reported in General Manager's report. Initial meeting of the Ministerial Taskforce Committee held in Cowra on July 8, 2010.

10. Economic Affairs

Nil

11. General Purpose Revenues

Nil

12. Alliances

- (i) Hawkesbury City Council - no recent activities.
- (ii) Mid Lachlan Alliance – no recent activities.
- (iii) CENTROC – three Councillors and the General Manager to attend the Centroc Summit to be held on 29/30 July 2010 at Mt Panorama, Bathurst.

13. Other Matters

- (i) The Mayors comments on Modernising Local Government, PACT meeting to be held on 11 August 2010 and Federal Sustainability Policies.

Noted

14. Job List

Noted

Next Meeting: 16 August 2010 at 2.30 pm.

Closure: There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.46 am

027 **RESOLVED:** Clr Atchison and Clr D Hughes that the Minutes of the Manex Committee Meeting be noted.

LIST OF INSPECTIONS, MEETINGS AND DEFERRED ACTIVITIES.

1. INSPECTIONS AND MEETINGS:

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| October 2007 | 1. <u>Payne's Gravel Pit:</u> Ward Councillors and Director Engineering to meet with new landowner (DE).
(Initial Meeting Carried Out). | In Progress |
| December 2009 | 2. <u>Grenfell and Village Heritage Studies:</u> arrange meetings with affected property owners (DES). | In Progress |
| June 2010 | 3. <u>Centroc Summit at the Mount:</u> Clrs Simpson, Atchison, Lobb & General Manager to attend (GM). | In Progress |
| | 4. <u>One Association Conference:</u> Mayor and General Manager to attend (GM). | In Progress |

2. DEFERRED ACTIVITIES:

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| June 2010 | 1. <u>Public Meeting for Hospital:</u> defer until all efforts are exhausted (GM) | In Progress |
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QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Questions may be put to councillors and council employees in accordance with clause 25 of the Council's **Code of Meeting Practice**, as follows:-

- “(1) A Councillor:*
(a) may, through the chairperson, put a question to another Councillor,
and
(b) may, through the chairperson and the General Manager, put a question to a council employee.
- (2) However, a Councillor or council employee to whom a question is put is entitled to be given reasonable notice of the question and, in particular, sufficient notice to enable reference to be made to other persons or to documents.*
- (3) The Councilor must put every such question directly, succinctly, and without argument.*
- (4) The chairperson must not permit discussion on any reply or refusal to reply to a question put to a Councillor or council employee under this clause. “*

Note: *Questions may only be asked in relation to business already before the Council. Normal notice is required in all other circumstances. Matters of urgency are to be dealt with under clause 17(3).*

Questions should not be used to introduce **business without notice**. This is covered in Clause 17 of Council's **Code of Meeting Practice**, as follows:-

- “(3), business may be transacted at a meeting of a Council even though due notice of the business has not been given to the Councillors. However, this can happen only if:*
(a) a motion is passed to have the business transacted at the meeting, and
(b) the business proposed to be brought forward is ruled by the chairperson to be of great urgency.

Such a motion can be moved without notice.

- (1), only the mover of a motion referred to in subclause (3) can speak to the motion before it is put.”*

Questions on routine **operational matters** should be directed to the General Manager or the appropriate Director separately from and/or prior to the meeting.

Nil

CLOSED COUNCIL

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

The authority for Council to close a meeting to the public is given under Section 10 of the Local Government Act, for which the following excerpts apply:

[s 10A1 Which parts of a meeting can be closed to the public?

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- (1) ***[Meetings may be closed]*** A council, or a committee of the council of which all the members are councillors, may close to the public so much of its meeting as comprises:
- (a) the discussion of any matters listed in subclause (2), or
 - (b) the receipt or discussion of any of the information so listed.
- (2) ***[Grounds for closure]*** The matters and information are the following:
- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors),
 - (b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer,
 - © information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business,
 - (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret,
 - (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law,
 - (f) matters affecting the security of the council, councillors, council staff or council property,
 - (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege
 - (h) information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.
- (3) ***[Closure of Resolution to close]*** A council, or a committee of the council of which all the members are councillors, may also close to the public so much of its meeting as comprises a motion to close another part of the meeting to the public.
- (4) ***[Public's right to make representations]*** A council, or a committee of a council may allow members of the public to make representations to or at a meeting, before and part of the meeting is closed to the public, as to whether that part of the meeting should be closed.

[s 10C] Notice of likelihood of closure not required in urgent cases

- 10C** Part of a meeting of a council, or of a committee of the council of which all the members are councillors, may be closed to the public while the council or committee considers a matter that has not been identified in the agenda for the meeting as a matter that is likely to be considered when the meeting is closed, but only if:
- (a) it becomes apparent during the discussion of a particular matter that the matter is a matter referred to in section 10A(2), and
 - (b) the council or committee, after considering any representations made under section 10A(4), resolves that further discussion of the matter:
 - (i) should not be deferred (because of the urgency of the matter), and
 - (ii) should take place in a part of the meeting that is closed to the public.

[s 10D] Grounds for closing part of meeting to be specified

- 10D (1)[Record of grounds for closure]** The grounds on which part of a meeting is closed must be stated in the decision to close that part of the meeting and must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- (2) ***[Details to be specified]*** The grounds must specify the following:
- (a) the relevant provision of section 10A(2),
 - (b) the matter that is to be discussed during the closed part of the meeting,
 - © the reasons why the part of the meeting is being closed, including (if the matter concerned is a matter other than a personnel matter concerning particular individuals, the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer or a trade secret) an explanation of the way in which the discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

CLOSED COUNCIL (cont)

RECOMMENDATION: That Council form a Closed Council to consider the items listed below,

AND THAT the Press and the public be excluded from the Meeting of the Closed Council because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, as stated below:

Note: A council, or a committee of a council, may allow members of the public to make representation to or at a meeting, before any part of the meeting is closed to the public, as to whether that part of the meeting should be closed.

028 **RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Niven that Council form a Closed Council to consider the items listed below AND THAT the press and the public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Council because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

031 **RESOLVED:** Clr N Hughes and Clr Atchison that Council return to open council.

REPORT FROM CLOSED COUNCIL

The Mayor read out the following resolution from the Closed Council:

THE GENERAL MANAGER'S LATE REPORT

1. Negotiations with Doctors

RESOLUTION No. 030 that:

- (i) the Mayor be given authority to call an extra-ordinary meeting of the Council to consider the doctor/VMO situation,
- (ii) the chair of the Weddin Health Council (or his representative) be invited to attend.

CLOSURE: There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.32 pm

Taken as read and confirmed as a true record this day 19 August 2010.

.....General ManagerMayor.