



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL held at the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday, 22 July 2020 commencing at 5.30pm.

ATTENDANCE

Councillors: Cr Overall (Chair), Crs Biscotti, Brown, Harrison, Hicks, Marshall (from 5.36pm), Noveska, Schweikert, Taylor and Winchester (from 5.39pm).

Staff: P Tegar, CEO/General Manager; M Thompson, Portfolio General Manager Natural and Built Character; P Hansen, Portfolio General Manager Community Connections; J Richards, Portfolio General Manager Community Choice and A Knight, Portfolio General Manager Organisational Capability.

Also Present: L Ison (Minute Secretary).

1. OPENING

The meeting opened at 5.30pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land upon which the meeting was held.

3. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

101/20

RESOLVED (Taylor/Noveska)

That apology for non-attendance from Cr Bray be received and that leave of absence be granted.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 24 June 2020

102/20

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Hicks)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 24 June 2020 be confirmed.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

4.2 Minutes of the Planning and Strategy Committee of the Whole held on 8 July 2020

103/20

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Hicks)

That the Minutes of the Planning and Strategy Committee of the Whole held in the Queanbeyan Council Chambers on Wednesday 8 July 2020 be confirmed.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

5. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

104/20

RESOLVED (Taylor/Schweikert)

That Councillors and staff now disclose any interests and reasons for declaring such interest in the matters under consideration by Council at this meeting.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

Cr Trudy Taylor declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest Item 9.1: DA.2020.1104 - Erection of a Dwelling - 82 Wickerslack Lane, Googong, stating a neighbour of the applicant is a family friend.

Mr Peter Tegart declared a significant pecuniary interest in Item 16.3: CEO's Annual Performance Review, stating he is an employee of the Council.

6. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC FORUM

At this stage of the proceedings, the time being 5.33pm, Cr Overall advised that the meeting should now adjourn for the Public Forum as per the Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned for the Public Forum at 5.33pm and resumed at 5.43pm.

During the Public Forum Cr Marshall joined the meeting at 5.36pm and Cr Winchester at 5.39pm.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**7. MAYORAL MINUTE****7.1 Retirement of Councillor**

105/20

RESOLVED (Overall)

That Council:

1. Note that Cllr Peter Bray AM has submitted his retirement as Councillor, Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council due to ill health and to be effective from 22 July 2020.
2. Record its appreciation of Councillor Peter Bray's service and commitment to the former Queanbeyan City Council 2008 – 2016, including four terms as Deputy Mayor, service to Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council since September 2017, and service to the Queanbeyan and Palerang communities.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

8. NOTICES OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

There were no Notices of Motions of Rescission.

Cr Taylor declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting room at 5.55pm.

9. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION**9.1 DA.2020.1104 - Erection of a Dwelling - 82 Wickerslack Lane, Googong**

106/20

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Marshall)

That:

1. Development application DA.2020.1104 for the erection of a dwelling on Lot 10 DP 220189, No. 82 Wickerslack Lane, Googong be granted conditional approval.
2. Those persons who lodged a submission(s) on the application be advised in writing of the determination of the application.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

Cr Taylor returned to the meeting at 5.59pm.

9.2 Tender - Hazard and Waste Removal - Regional Sports Complex

107/20

RESOLVED (Harrison/Schweikert)

That Council award the contract for the Hazard and Waste Removal - Regional Sports Complex RFT 23-2020, including optional work on area AEC6, to AGH Demolition & Asbestos Removal Pty Ltd.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

- 108/20 **9.3 Tender for Supply and Installation of Artificial Turf Surfaces**
RESOLVED (Biscotti/Hicks)
That Council approve the calling of open expressions of interest followed by select tender for the supply and installation of Artificial Turf for the Regional Sports Complex Project.

The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 109/20 **9.4 Community Sleepbus**
RESOLVED (Overall/Marshall)
That Council approve the parking of the Sleepbus each night in the Visitor Information Centre carpark in Queanbeyan between 8.00pm and 8.00am for a trial period of 12 months.

The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 110/20 **9.5 Bushfire Recovery Report**
RESOLVED (Marshall/Schweikert)
That Council:
 1. Note the actions and progress of Council's Bushfire Recovery team.
 2. Endorse the ongoing engagement with the community groups and services to determine allocation of remaining funds including preparedness workshops for small communities, training and education, school support and small grant allocations.
For: Crs Biscotti, Brown, Harrison, Marshall, Noveska, Overall, Schweikert, Taylor and Winchester
Against: Cr Hicks
- 111/20 **9.6 Long Term Financial Plan**
RESOLVED (Schweikert/Harrison)
That Council endorse the draft Long Term Financial Plan for public exhibition, inclusive of Scenario 3 as the preferred Financial Scenario.

The resolution was carried unanimously.
- 112/20 **9.7 QPRC Investment Policy Review**
RESOLVED (Harrison/Biscotti)
That Council adopt the draft Investment Policy.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

9.8 Investment Report - June 2020

113/20

RESOLVED (Marshall/Biscotti)

That Council:

1. Note the investment return for June 2020 was \$303,632.
2. Note the investment portfolio has been made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council's Investment Policy.
3. Receive the Investment Report for the month of June 2020.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**10.1 Changes to National Tree Day 2020**

114/20

RESOLVED (Taylor/Noveska)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10.2 New Phone Towers for Queanbeyan-Palerang

115/20

RESOLVED (Marshall/Biscotti)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10.3 COVID Recovery

116/20

RESOLVED (Taylor/Marshall)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10.4 Local Government Elections 2021

117/20

RESOLVED (Hicks/Harrison)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

10.5 Resolution Action Sheet

118/20

RESOLVED (Taylor/Biscotti)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**11.1 Local Traffic Committee 17 June 2020**

119/20

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Hicks)

That Council:

1. Note the minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting on 17 June 2020.
2. Adopt recommendations LTC 19/2020 to LTC 28/2020 from the meeting held on 17 June 2020.

LTC 19/20 Approve the Traffic Control Plan for the Bungendore Busking Activation for 24 October 2020.

LTC 20/2020 Approve the trial of the 'Parklet' and TCP for the Pop-up Parklet in Crawford Street Queanbeyan

LTC 21/2020 Under the *Road Transport Act 2013* implement the parking restrictions in Fallick Lane, Queanbeyan as per the design.

LTC 22/2020 Under *Road Transport Act 2013* implement changes on Bungendore Road as per design and as amended by the recommendations provided by the LTC.

LTC 23/2020 Under *Road Transport Act 2013* install Loading Zone on Gorman Drive in the indented car parking bay as per design.

LTC 24/2020 Under *Road Transport Act 2013* implement changes on Mulloon Street Queanbeyan East Public School Zone as per design.

LTC 25/2020 Under *Road Transport Act 2013* implement changes on Surveyor Street in Queanbeyan High School Zone as per design

LTC 26/2020 Under *Road Transport Act 2013* install signage and line-marking for Ryrie St and Coronation St/Duncan St intersection as per the design.

LTC 27/2020 Under *Road Transport Act 2013* except for shortening the pavement marking on Majara St, install signage and line-marking for the development 4-6 Majara Street, Bungendore as per the design

LTC 28/2020 Under the *Road Transport Act 2013* approve the installation as per the design.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

11.2 Wamboin Hall s.355 Committee Minutes

120/20

RESOLVED (Harrison/Hicks)

That Council note the minutes of Wamboin Hall Management s.355 Committee's extraordinary meeting held on 19 June 2020.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS**12.1 Waive Ground and Facility Hire for Organised Sports**

121/20

RESOLVED (Biscotti/Harrison)

That Council:

1. Waive the ground hire, outdoor court hire and sports field lighting costs for all QPRC-based sporting clubs and associations for the period 1 July 2020 – 31 December 2020.
2. Reassess the ongoing impacts of COVID-19 on sporting clubs that hire council sports grounds and outdoor courts at the December 2020 Ordinary Meeting.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

12.2 Proposed Central Carpark in Bungendore**MOVED (Marshall/Winchester)**

That prior to tendering for the construction of Stage 1 of the proposed central car park in Bungendore, Council receive a report on:

- Evidence of the need for more car parking in Bungendore.
- The total cost of the project, including the purchase cost of land offset by property sales.
- Funds or in-kind contributions already collected, and funds or in-kind contributions to be collected from approved development applications.
- Modelling of funds or in-kind contributions to be collected from future development applications.
- Details of how existing and new loans for the car park will be repaid.

The motion (of Crs Marshall and Winchester) was PUT and LOST.

For: Crs Brown, Marshall, Noveska and Winchester

Against: Crs Biscotti, Harrison, Hicks, Overall, Schweikert and Taylor

12.3 Allocations of QPRC Premier Football Fields

122/20

RESOLVED (Biscotti/Overall)

That Council:

1. Note QPRC has expended considerable funds, including NSW grant funding to upgrade High Street football field to premier standard.
2. Note the CEO held a meeting on 23 April 2020 including three Councillor delegates of the Regional Sports Council, Mayor, QPRC staff and Monaro Panthers Football Club (MPFC) representatives.
3. Allocate High Street football field to the Queanbeyan City Football Club (QCFC) as a home ground and work with the club to provide further improvements and enhancements as may be necessary or desired.
4. Allocate Riverside football field to the MPFC and continue to work with the club to provide further improvements and enhancements as may be necessary or desired.
5. Inform Capital Football of its football field allocations to ensure fixtures are allocated accordingly.
6. Continue to make available the Oval function facilities to sporting clubs and community organisations.
7. Authorise the CEO to negotiate and execute revised agreements with the Clubs in line with 3, 4 and 6 above.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

13. REPORTS TO COUNCIL - DELEGATES REPORTS**13.1 Delegates Reports**

123/20

RESOLVED (Taylor/Hicks)

That Council note the Delegates' Report.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**14.1 Responses to Councillors' Questions**

124/20

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Taylor)

That the report be received for information.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

15. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DEAL WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION

At this stage of the proceedings Cr Overall advised that there were items on the Agenda that should be dealt with in Closed Session.

16. REPORTS FOR CLOSED SESSION

125/20

RESOLVED (Overall/Taylor)

That pursuant to Section 10A of the *Local Government Act, 1993* the following items on the agenda for the Ordinary Council meeting be dealt with in Closed Session for the reasons specified below:

Item 16.1 Writing Off Water Usage due to Undetectable Leak

Item 16.1 is confidential in accordance with s10(A) (b) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains discussion in relation to the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

Item 16.2 Confidential - Industrial Relations Matter - Update

Item 16.2 is confidential in accordance with s10(A) (a) (g) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors); AND advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

Item 16.3 CEO's Annual Performance Review

Item 16.3 is confidential in accordance with s10(A) (a) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors) and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

The meeting then moved into Closed Session at 7.14pm to discuss the matters listed above.

16.1 Writing Off Water Usage due to Undetectable Leak

126/20

RESOLVED (Winchester/Harrison)

That Council write off \$2,888.00 in water usage charges for the property listed in this report.

For: Crs Biscotti, Brown, Harrison, Hicks, Marshall, Noveska,
Overall, Taylor and Winchester

Against: Cr Schweikert

Cr Winchester left the meeting at 7.17pm.

With the exception of the CEO and Portfolio General Manager Organisational Capability, all staff left the meeting at 7.17pm.

16.2 Industrial Relations Matter - Update

127/20

RESOLVED (Schweikert/Biscotti)

That Council:

1. Note the information in the attachment.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to settle the matter through a deed of release and in accordance with the in-principle agreement that has been reached with the applicant.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

Mr Tegart declared an interest in the following item and left the Chambers at 7.21pm. The Portfolio General Manager Organisational Capability left the meeting at 7.21pm.

16.3 CEO's Annual Performance Review

128/20

RESOLVED (Harrison/Marshall)

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report of the Annual Performance Review of the Chief Executive Officer.
2. Endorse the overall rating of the Performance Review Committee for the Performance Review.
3. Not offer any performance-based increase to the CEO's total remuneration package in consideration of the COVID-19 situation and in accordance with community expectations.
4. Note the request for renewal of appointment as submitted in accordance with the contract of employment.
5. Extend the CEO's current contract of employment for a period of one year to 6 July 2023.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

Mr Tegart returned to the Chambers at 7.51pm.

129/20

RESOLVED (Taylor/Overall)

That the meeting now return to Open Session.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 7.52pm.

In accordance with Clause 253 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, the Mayor then read out the decisions of Council made in Closed Session.

18. CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

The time being 7.54pm, Cr Overall announced that the Agenda for the meeting had now been completed.

**CR TIM OVERALL
MAYOR
CHAIRPERSON**