

MINUTES OF THE CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON
WEDNESDAY, 9 MARCH, 2016, COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM.

PRESENT: Cr P J Harmon (Chairperson), Crs H N Castledine, A A Michael, B C Johnston, D C Jones.

Also in attendance: Crs J A Watts, D F Baker and P J Girle.

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil and Environmental Services), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate and Economic Services), Stephen Golding (Executive Manager Corporate and Community Services), Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services) and Justin Pay (Manager Civil Engineering).

SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED (Johnston/Jones) that the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 10 February, 2016, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

3. PUBLIC FORUM S13.5.6/09

There were no members of the public present to speak.

Suspension of Standing Orders

At this juncture, the time being 8.32am, the Chairperson sought agreement to suspend Standing Orders to welcome Mr Adrian Maddocks of Goldwind Australia. Mr Maddocks provided an update on the White Rock Wind Farm. Construction of the Farm is scheduled to commence in April, 2016.

Resumption of Standing Orders

At this juncture, the time being 8.59am, Standing Orders resumed and the Committee considered the balance of the Agenda.

At this juncture, the time being 9am, Cr Jones Left the meeting.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

At this juncture, the time being 9.01am, Cr Jones returned to the meeting.

SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Harmon Telstra Inverell Sapphire City Festival

Cr Harmon noted the second meeting of the Telstra Inverell Sapphire City Festival Committee. This years Festival will be the 60th Anniversary.

Cr Jones

Goldwind Australia

Cr Jones advised that Telstra and Optus are preparing to install a mobile receiver on the Goldwind White Rock Tower.

1. SOUTH INVERELL MEETING S2.7.9

RESOLVED (Johnston/Michael) that the information be noted.

SECTION C
COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. PUBLIC ART SUNSET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 19 FEBRUARY 2016 S26.5.10

RESOLVED (Michael/Jones) that:

- i) the Minutes of the Public Art Sunset Committee Meeting held on Friday, 19 February, 2016, be received and noted; and*
- ii) the following recommendation of the Public Art Sunset Committee be adopted by Council:*

1. ABORIGINAL ART PROJECT

That:

- i) Council approve the concept of another public art project utilising an Aboriginal theme in the suggested location; and*
- ii) further details then be prepared for further consideration.*

SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS

1. URBAN WORKS PROGRAM (LISTING) S28.21.1/09

RESOLVED (Jones/Michael) that the Committee receive a supplementary report regarding the Urban Works Program.

Cr Baker referred to her previous pecuniary interest declaration in relation to the Town Centre Renewal Plan, which is ongoing. Cr Baker left the meeting at 9.17am in accordance with her declaration.

2. URBAN WORKS PROGRAM S28.21.1/09

DCES-A *RESOLVED (Johnston/Michael) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) the urban works order of priorities for 2016/17 be:*
 - a. Chisholm Street (Brae St to Brown St),*
 - b. Old Bundarra Road Pavement Rehab (Macintyre St to Lions Park),*
 - c. PAMP/Cycleway Program,*
 - d. Captain Cook Drive / Wood St intersection pavement and asphalt,*
 - e. Gilchrist Street Shoulders, Kerb and Gutter replacement (Bannockburn Rd to Jack St),*
 - f. Town Centre Renewal Plan Works.*
- ii) funding for the priority works listed in point i) be provided in the 2016/17 Urban Works Program;*

- iii) *funding include an amount of \$300K allocated from the Urban Program to continue the implementation of TCRP initiatives;*
- iv) *the TCRP works include stage 1 drainage in Byron Street, centre median design works in Otho Street, continued staged removal of Plane Trees and further development of CBD tree planting options; and*
- v) *the designs as presented for the future upgrade of Byron Street between Lawrence and Woods Streets be endorsed.*

Note: Cr Jones requested that his vote against the planting of trees in the centre median be recorded.

At this juncture, the time being 9.56am, Cr Baker returned to the meeting.

SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

1. WORKS UPDATE S28.21.1/09

RESOLVED (Michael/Castledine) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 9 March, 2016, be received and noted.

SECTION F GENERAL BUSINESS

DCES-A Cr Baker CBD Led Street Lighting S28.9.20

Cr Baker enquired about the lighting in the CBD. Cr Baker asked if lighting of footpaths and trees could be investigated to create an ambience that is reflective of Inverell.

Cr Girle Roundabout Damage

Cr Girle asked about the recent damage of the CBD roundabout caused by a vehicle.

Director Civil & Environmental Services, Mr Brett McInnes informed the Committee that the damage was caused by a car freighting truck and the Police had obtained the details of the driver involved. The matter is now being followed up through insurance.

Cr Baker Burnouts by Motor Vehicles

Cr Baker asked if anything can be done regarding vehicles doing burnouts. The Mayor advised that Police are focusing on this issue and that the public can be proactive by reporting the vehicle registration numbers of cars involved in this illegal activity.

MEE-A Director Civil & Environmental Services Inverell and Ashford Swimming Pool S5.10.109

Director Civil & Environmental Services, Mr Brett McInnes spoke in respect of the current Pool Agreement. Mr McInnes advised that the Agreement is currently being reviewed to enable a more detailed specification to be included in the advertisement. Mr McInnes requested that a three (3) month extension of the Agreement be considered to enable completion of the detailed review.

RESOLVED (Jones/Castledine) that the Committee recommend to Council that the Inverell and Ashford Pool Agreement be extended for three (3) months.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.21am.

CR P J HARMON

CHAIRPERSON