

**MINUTES OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET,
INVERELL
ON WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 3.00 PM**

PRESENT: Cr Paul Harmon (Mayor), Cr Anthony Michael (Deputy Mayor), Cr Di Baker, Cr Stewart Berryman, Cr Paul King OAM, Cr Neil McCosker and Cr Jacki Watts.

IN ATTENDANCE: Brett McInnes (Acting General Manager), Paul Pay (Manager Financial Services) and Sharon Stafford (Executive Assistant).

1 APOLOGIES

RESOLUTION 2021/1

Moved: Cr Paul King OAM
Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

That the apologies received from Cr Kate Dight and Cr Mal Peters for personal reasons be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 2021/2

Moved: Cr Jacki Watts
Seconded: Cr Di Baker

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 16 December, 2020, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS / PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

4 PUBLIC FORUM

At this juncture, the time being 3.05pm, the Mayor welcomed the members of the public and opened the Public Forum Session by inviting members of the public to speak.

Inverell Rugby Club

Mr Ross Fuller, President of the Inverell Rugby Club provided Council with an update on the Club's programme of events which includes a 7's tournament to be held on 5 – 6 March, 2021. The tournament is expected to bring more than 500 people from outside the region to visit. Mr Fuller requested financial assistance from Council to assist with additional costs expected to be incurred by a mandatory online registration platform and COVID compliance expenses.

5 NOTICES OF BUSINESS

Nil

6 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

7 ADVOCACY REPORTS

Nil

8 COMMITTEE REPORTS**8.1 CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES - 10 FEBRUARY 2021****RESOLUTION 2021/3**

Moved: Cr Di Baker

Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

- i) *That the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee held on Wednesday, 10 February, 2021, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *The following recommendations of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee be adopted by Council.*

CARRIED**8.1.2 Information Reports****RECOMMENDATION:***That the information reports be received and noted.***8.1.2 Governance - Performance Reporting on Road Maintenance Council Contracts****RECOMMENDATION:***That the information be received and noted.***8.2 ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MINUTES - 10 FEBRUARY 2021****RESOLUTION 2021/4**

Moved: Cr Jacki Watts

Seconded: Cr Paul King OAM

- i) *That the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee held on Wednesday, 10 February, 2021, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *The recommendations of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee be adopted by Council.*

CARRIED

8.2.1 Public Art Sunset Committee Meeting Minutes - 20 January 2021**RECOMMENDATION:**

- a) *That the minutes of the Public Art Sunset Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 20 January, 2021 be received and noted; and*
- b) *The Public Art Committee be delegated authority to select the 'significant person' that will be the subject for the portrait.*

8.2.2 Request to Lease Land - Lot 1 DP 124236 Wyndham Street, Inverell - Scott Cover**RECOMMENDATION:**

That:

- i) *Council enter into a Licence Agreement with Mr Scott Cover for Lot 1 DP 124236, Wyndham Street, Inverell for a five (5) year period with a further five (5) year option;*
- ii) *the Licence fee be \$600.00 per annum (GST Inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
- iii) *the Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

8.2.3 Music in the CBD - Christmas Promotion**RECOMMENDATION:**

That:

- a) *Council allow the playing of music through the public address system in the CBD from 1 December each year; and*
- b) *the volume of the particular speaker in Otho Street be set to its lowest volume.*

8.2.4 Request for Donation - Ashford Business Council**RECOMMENDATION:**

That:

- a) *Council make a donation of up to \$4,000 from the Ashford Village Vote to the Ashford Show Society to enable free entry the 2021 Ashford Show; and*
- b) *the General Manager hold discussions with the secretary of the Ashford Show Society regarding the conditions associated with the provision of the funds.*

8.2.5 Information Reports**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the information reports be received and noted.

8.2.6 Quarterly Budget and Operational Plan 2020/2021**RECOMMENDATION:**

That:

- i) Council's Quarterly Operational Plan and Budget Review for 31 December, 2020 be adopted; and*
- ii) The proposed variations to budget votes for the 2020/2021 Financial Year be adopted providing an estimated Cash Surplus at 30 June, 2021 from operations of \$3,946.*

8.2.7 Governance - Monthly Investment Report**RECOMMENDATION:**

That:

- i) the report indicating Council's Fund Management position be received and noted; and*
- ii) the Certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted.*

8.2.8 Request For Reduction In Water Account**RECOMMENDATION:**

That:

- a) the report be received; and*
- b) Council issues an amended account of \$101.48 for the previous two quarters based on the average consumption of accounts prior to the leak and write off \$188.09.*

9 DESTINATION REPORTS**9.1 CROWN LAND - DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT - PUBLIC HALLS S5.19.4/01****RESOLUTION 2021/5**

Moved: Cr Jacki Watts

Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

That Council:

- 1. Review and approve the attached draft Plan of Management for Public Halls; and*
- 2. Resolve to refer the draft Plan of Management for Public Halls to the NSW Department of Industry for review and advice.*

CARRIED

9.2 NAMING OF SPORTING FIELDS S5.11.48**RESOLUTION 2021/6**

Moved: Cr Stewart Berryman

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

That the lower sporting fields at the Inverell Sporting Complex be named the 'Col Campbell Playing Fields'.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/7

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Paul King OAM

That the Tingha Football Field be named the 'Bob Ward Oval'.

CARRIED

At this juncture, the time being 3.24pm, Cr Di Baker declared a non pecuniary interest in Item 9.3 'Request for Assistance – Inverell Rugby Club 7's Tournament S12.22.1/14' due to being a member of the organisation Operating Operation Room which may benefit financially from the proceeds of the gate takings from the Tournament. Cr Baker left the meeting.

9.3 REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - INVERELL RUGBY CLUB 7'S TOURNAMENT S12.22.1/14**MOTION**

Moved: Cr Paul King OAM

Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

That Council donate \$4,500 to the Inverell Rugby Club to assist with the mandatory online registration and COVID compliance expenses associated with running the 7's Tournament on 5 – 6 March, 2021.

AMENDMENT 2021/8

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Neil McCosker

That Council donate \$1,400 to the Inverell Rugby Club to assist with the COVID compliance expenses associated with running the 7's Tournament on 5 – 6 March, 2021.

The motion on being put to the meeting was lost. The Amendment on being put to the meeting was carried. It then became the motion.

The motion on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

At 3.28pm, Cr Di Baker returned to the meeting.

9.4 LICENCE FOR NEW AIRPORT HANGAR S5.10.65**RESOLUTION 2021/9**

Moved: Cr Jacki Watts

Seconded: Cr Stewart Berryman

That:

1. *Council make the area on the Southern side of the existing hangars available for lease to Boss Engineering for the construction of a new hangar, subject to the lodgement and approval of a Development Application and the applicant meeting all costs associated with the development.*
2. *The annual licence fee be set at \$1,905.00 per annum including GST per hangar site and the licence fee be subject to an annual 3% increases.*
3. *The licence indicate that the hangars are not to be occupied for residential purpose.*
4. *The licence agreement be subject to any terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

CARRIED**10 INFORMATION REPORTS****RESOLUTION 2021/10**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Paul King OAM

*That the information reports be received and noted.***CARRIED****10.1 STAFF MOVEMENTS: - 01 OCTOBER 2020 TO 31 DECEMBER 2020 S22.25.1**

10.2 ORDINANCE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR JANUARY 2021 S18.10.1

10.3 ORDINANCE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2020 S18.10.1

10.4 SEPTIC TANK APPROVALS FOR DECEMBER 2020 S29.19.1

10.5 SEPTIC TANK APPROVALS FOR JANUARY 2021 S29.19.1

10.6 STRATEGIC TASKS - 'SIGN OFF' - JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2021 S4.13.2

10.7 SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS, CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES DURING DECEMBER 2020 S18.10.2/13

10.8 SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS, CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES DURING JANUARY 2021 S18.10.2/14

10.9 OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT (OLG) - COUNCIL COMPLAINT STATISTICS S4.12.1

10.10 DINE & DISCOVER NSW S14.18.6/14

10.11 STATUS OF TOWN WATER SUPPLIES S32.15.19

11 GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Nil

12 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS (COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE)

Nil

The Meeting closed at 3.35pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 24 March, 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON