

**MINUTES OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET,
INVERELL
ON WEDNESDAY, 14 JULY 2021 AT 10.30AM**

PRESENT: Cr Jacki Watts (Chair), Cr Paul Harmon (Mayor), Cr Anthony Michael (Deputy Mayor), Cr Paul King OAM and Cr Kate Dight.

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr Stewart Berryman and Cr Di Baker

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil & Environmental Services) and Paul Pay (Director Corporate & Economic Services).

1 APOLOGIES

Nil

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul King OAM

Seconded: Cr Paul Harmon

That the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 9 June, 2021, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

3 DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

4 DESTINATION REPORTS

4.1 REQUEST TO LICENCE LAND - GRANT ISKOV S5.10.54

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Paul King OAM

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) Council enter into a Licence Agreement with Mr Grant Iskov for Lot 89, DP 754847, Little Plain Recreation Reserve, Little Plain for a five (5) year period with a further five (5) year option;*
- ii) the Licence fee be \$750 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.*

CARRIED

4.2 EXPIRING LEASE AGREEMENT - BILLABONG BLUE S5.10.105**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Paul King OAM

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) Council renew the Agreement for a further three (3) year period with a further three (3) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) the Lease Fee be \$6,206 per annum (GST Inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
- iii) the Lease Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

CARRIED

4.3 MEMORIAL PLAQUE - LAKE INVERELL RESERVE S21.8.23**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

The Committee recommend to Council that Council not accede to the request to install a plaque on the railing of the viewing platform at Lake Inverell.

CARRIED

4.4 OFFER TO LEASE/PURCHASE LAND - BRISSETT STREET, INVERELL S5.10.65**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

That the matter be referred to Closed Committee for consideration as the matters and information are:

- c information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.*

On balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the information outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting; and all reports and correspondence relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

CARRIED

4.5 PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURE - PART CAMPBELL'S ROAD BONSHAW S28.22.1/14**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

That the matter be referred to Closed Committee for consideration as the matters and information are:

- a personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).*

On balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the information outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting; and all reports and correspondence relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

CARRIED

4.6 NATIONAL TRANSPORT MUSEUM S5.10.145**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

That the Committee recommend to council that:

- i) Council supports the National Transport Museum to undertake a small expansion project at the Rifle Range Road facility; and*
- ii) Council seek grant funding opportunities for constructing the extension to the museum.*

4.7 REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN WATER ACCOUNT - MATHER STREET, INVERELL S32.10.1/14**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

That the matter be referred to Closed Committee for consideration as the matters and information are:

- a personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).*

On balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the information outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting; and all reports and correspondence relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

CARRIED

4.8 REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN WATER ACCOUNT - CAMERON STREET, INVERELL S32.10.1/14

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Anthony Michael

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

That the matter be referred to Closed Committee for consideration as the matters and information are:

- a personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).*

On balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the information outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting; and all reports and correspondence relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993.

CARRIED

5 GOVERNANCE REPORTS

5.1 GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kate Dight

Seconded: Cr Paul King OAM

That the Committee recommend to Council 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.*

CARRIED

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

At 10.42am, the Chairperson noted that no members of the public or press were in attendance at the meeting therefore Council proceeded to consider the motion to close the meeting to the press and public.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

That the Committee proceeds into Closed Committee to discuss the matters referred to it, for the reasons stated in the motions of referral.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Anthony Michael

That the Committee proceeds out of Closed Committee into Open Committee.

CARRIED

Upon resuming Open Committee at 10.51am, the Chairperson verbally reported that the Committee had met in Closed Committee, with the Press and Public excluded, and had resolved to recommend to Council the following:

6.1 PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURE - PART CAMPBELL'S ROAD BONSHAW S28.22.1/14

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i. Council proceed with the permanent road closure of part Campbell's Road, Bonshaw with the intention to vest in Council for sale upon closure;*
- ii. Accept the offer from Judith & Ron Morris to purchase part Campbell's Road, Bonshaw for \$4,500;*
- iii. The General Manager prepares survey plans, and associated documents for registration with NSW Land Registry Service;*
- iv. The General Manager be authorised to appoint a solicitor to act on Council's behalf; and*
- v. The General Manager and Mayor be authorised to sign and seal contract of sale with Judith & Ron Morris.*

6.2 OFFER TO LEASE/PURCHASE LAND - BRISSETT STREET, INVERELL S5.10.65

The Committee recommend to Council that:

- a) The General Manager be authorised to negotiate and complete the sale of 13-15 Brissett Street to either Inverell Freighters or Barry & Sue Anderson (BRSM Pty Ltd) in accordance with the valuations provided in the body of the report;*
- b) That any necessary documents associated with the sale be completed under the Common Seal of Council; and*
- c) The General Manager provide a report to Council on the outcome of the negotiations.*

6.3 REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN WATER ACCOUNT - MATHER STREET, INVERELL S32.10.1/14

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) The report be received; and*
- ii) Council issue an amended account of \$98.59 for the previous quarter based on the average consumption of accounts prior to the leak and write off \$ 436.01.*

**6.4 REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN WATER ACCOUNT - CAMERON STREET, INVERELL
S32.10.1/14**

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) The report be received; and*
- ii) Council issue an amended account of \$125.40 for the previous quarter based on the average consumption of accounts prior to the leak and write off \$ 596.76.*

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Paul Harmon

Seconded: Cr Kate Dight

That the recommendations of Closed Committee be adopted.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 10.52am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee held on 13 October 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON