

Finance and Infrastructure

Standing Committee Meeting Minutes

Held on Tuesday 24 March 2009

at the Council Chambers, Bega commencing at 2.12 pm

PRESENT Councillor Britten (CHAIRPERSON) and Councillors Allen, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

IN ATTENDANCE Mr Peter Tegart – General Manager, Ms Leanne Barnes – Group Manager Community and Relationships, Mr Andrew Woodley – Group Manager Planning and Environment, Mr Doug Mein – Group Manager Infrastructure Waste & Water, Ms Janelle Curtis – Minute Secretary

1. Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Campbell and Sandrey that the Minutes of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 3 March 2009, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

2. Apologies

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Allen and Seckold that the apology received from Cr Hughes be accepted for his inability to attend the meeting.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

3. Utilities Inquiry into secure and sustainable urban water supply and sewerage services for non-metropolitan NSW

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Campbell and Allen that:

1. Council note the findings of the report of the Inquiry into secure and sustainable urban water supply and sewerage services for non-metropolitan NSW and its recommendations relating to Bega Valley Shire Council.
2. The Minister for Water and Energy be advised that Council supports the recommendations of the Inquiry as Bega Valley Shire Council remaining a stand alone local water utility.

Further, that the Minister for Water and Energy be advised that Council particularly supports the mandating of the Best Practice Guidelines as a way of ensuring that the reform commenced by the independent Inquiry panel continues, and that pricing be set by the local water utility with reference to the Department of Water and Energy, in accord with adopted strategic business plans.

3. Council explore alliance opportunities with nearby Councils particularly Eurobodalla and Shoalhaven.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

4. Signage – Tathra water storage tower

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Hede and Seckold that Council approve the attachment of the Clean Energy For Eternity logo 50/50 by 2020 to the exterior wall of the water storage tower at Tathra subject to:

- (a) All costs to be met by CEFE;
- (b) A satisfactory works schedule being provided which includes details of OH & S strategies in relation to attachment and maintenance.
- (c) All maintenance to be the responsibility of CEFE.
- (d) If at any stage removal is required that this be the responsibility of CEFE.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

5. Anzac Day 2009 – temporary road closures

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Allen and Campbell

1. That Anzac Day events within the Shire be deemed Class 2 special events where a state highway is not involved or Class 1 special events where a state highway is involved and that they be conducted under Traffic Control Plans achieving the RTA Traffic Control Manual.
2. That Council endorse the annual conduct of Anzac Day marches and associated road closures, until otherwise determined, subject to satisfactory receipt of traffic control plans and indemnity insurances, authorised by the General Manager or delegated staff member.
3. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council approves temporary closure of sections of Chandos Street, Bass Street and Calle Calle Street between 10.30am and 11.30am on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Eden as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3822.
4. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes Auckland Street between 5.30am and 6.45am on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Bega as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3823.
5. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes Auckland Street between noon and 12.30pm on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Bega as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3823.
6. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes the Bega Street service road between 5.30am and 6.30am on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Tathra as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3829.
7. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes sections of Bega Street and the Bega Street service road between 8.00am and 9.00am on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Tathra as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3829.
8. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes Bega Street, Wolumla between 8.30am and 10.00am on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3830.
9. Also that, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes a section of Beach Street, Merimbula between 5.30am and 7.00am on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Merimbula as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3826.
10. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes sections of Alice Street, Main Street, Market Street and Beach Street, Merimbula between

10.30am and 12.00pm on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Merimbula as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3826.

11. That, under delegated function from the RTA, Council temporarily closes a section of William Street, Candelo between 10.45am and 11.30am on Saturday 25 April 2009 for the purpose of an Anzac Day event at Candelo as per tabled Traffic Control Plan #3831.
12. That organisers of each event make their own arrangements for RTA-accredited Traffic Controllers to implement the prepared Traffic Control Plans.
13. That organisers of each event have approved public liability insurance of at least \$20,000,000 indemnifying Council and, where applicable, the RTA.
14. That the organisers of each event implement an approved Special Event Transport Management Plan, including Traffic Control Plan, for their event.
15. That appreciation be extended to Council engineering staff members George Lewis and Shaun Bell for their work in preparing the Traffic Control Plans.
16. That organisers of each event be advised of the above as soon as possible, and that this advice include a hard copy of the relevant Traffic Control Plan/s.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

6. Merimbula Drive, Market Street and Beach Street, Merimbula – temporary road closures for 2009 Merimbula Jazz Festival

Pecuniary Interest

Cr Pincini declared a pecuniary interest on the basis that that he owns a business that may be affected by this matter and departed the meeting room, taking no part in debate or voting on this item.

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Hede and Wykes

1. That, subject to the following conditions, on Saturday 6 June 2009 Beach Street be temporarily closed between Market Street and Alice Street from 10.30am to 1.00pm, Market Street be temporarily closed between Main Street and Monaro Street from 10.30am to 11.15am and Merimbula Drive be temporarily closed between Sapphire Coast Drive and Market Street from 10.30am to 11.15am for the *Merimbula Jazz Festival* street parade:-

- The street parade on Saturday 6 June 2009 be conducted under an approved Traffic Control Plan achieving the RTA Traffic Control Manual for a Class 2 special event.
 - The organisers have approved public liability insurance of at least \$20,000,000 indemnifying Council by name.
 - The organisers have written Police and RTA approval prior to conducting the event.
2. That the existing time-restricted *Bus Zone* on the east side of Market Street, Merimbula, just north of Beach Street, be established as a full time *Bus Zone* from 5.00pm on Friday 5 June 2009 to 5.00pm on Monday 8 June 2009.
 3. That organisers be advised of the above as soon as possible.
 4. That Council endorse the annual conduct of the Merimbula Jazz Festival event and associated road closures, until otherwise determined, and subject to satisfactory receipt of traffic control plans and indemnity insurances, authorised by the General Manager or delegated staff member.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Crs Hughes and Pincini

7. Main Street, Merimbula – additional *No Stopping* at recently altered access

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Wykes and Pincini that the No Stopping zone on the south side of Main Street, Merimbula, opposite the Merimbula Imlay Bowling Club, be extended by 37.5 metres westwards to create a total No Stopping zone length of 102 metres from the Sapphire Coast Drive junction.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

8. Certificate of Investments made under Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Campbell and Wykes that the Certificate of Investment made under Section 625 of the Local Government Act, 1993 as at 28 February 2009 be received and noted.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

9. Special variation to general rate income: intention to apply

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Allen and Pincini that:

1. Council resolve to take up the Ministerial rate pegging amount when announced.
2. Council resolve to lodge a special variation application with the Minister, which consist of two components:
 - An amount of 50 cents per week to support sporting and recreational facility development applied to 17,912 residential and farmland properties.
 - An amount of \$250,000 from business ratepayers to be allocated towards business and tourism infrastructure.
 - The total rate increase to be 6.76 per cent inclusive of the rate pegging amount projected at this time as 2 per cent.
3. Council acknowledges that the special variation will form part of the draft Management Plan for 2009/10 which will be formally considered by Council at its April meeting and will then be placed on public exhibition for comment.

IN FAVOUR: Crs Allen, Britten, Campbell, Hede, Pincini, Sandrey, Seckold and Wykes

AGAINST: Nil

ABSENT: Cr Hughes

Closure

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 2.28 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON