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UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Oberon Council Ordinary Meeting
Tuesday 17 March 2015

Commencing at 5.30pm
at the Oberon Council Chambers

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1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor welcomed members and declared the meeting open at 5.30pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Council acknowledges that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri and Gundungurra People, and respects the history and culture of the elders both past and present.

3. PRAYER

The Meeting was opened in prayer by Clr Ian Doney.

4. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Members Mayor John McMahon (in the Chair)
 Deputy Mayor Kerry Gibbons
 Clr Ian Doney
 Clr Jill Evans
 Clr Neil Francis
 Clr Sam Lord
 Clr Clive McCarthy
 Clr John Morgan
 Clr Kathy Sajowitz

Staff Alan Cairney, General Manager
 Gary Wallace, Planning and Development Director
 Chris Schumacher, Works and Engineering Director
 Rodney Wallace, Acting Works and Engineering Director
 Lynette Safranek, Finance and Community Services Director
 Sharon Swannell, Executive Coordinator
 Sarah-Jane Holland, Customer Service Trainee

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

File No: Governance/Councillors/Declarations of Interest

Pecuniary	-	Clr Francis declared an interest in Report Item 13.07 point 1. Clr Francis owns land adjoining this application. Clr Lord declared an interest in Report Item 13.07 point 2. Clr Lord is related to an adjoining landholder who may be affected by the proposed road closure.
Non-Pecuniary Significant	-	Nil
Non-Pecuniary Less than Significant	-	Clr Gibbons declared an interest in 13.07 point 8. Clr Gibbons employer owns land which may be affected by the proposed road closure.

6. GENERAL AND CIVIC PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7. COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

Veronika Cvitanovic asked about the formation of a sub-committee of interested Youth Councillors to look at possible types of skate park facilities and styles as per the minutes of the 17 February 2015 Ordinary Council Meeting.

Veronika asked how do we get skaters to be involved on the Working Party and has Council secured any funding for the skate park yet?

General Manager Alan Cairney advised Finance and Community Services Director, Lynette Safranek will liaise with Veronika regarding the names of people who may want to be involved in the sub-committee. Council has not secured funding for a skate park at this stage.

Phillip Haynes commented it had previously been asked if it was possible to get an extension of time to lodge the IPART Application for a Special Rate Variation and the General Manager replied no. Phillip advised that Marrickville Council had applied for an extension and were successful. Oberon Council could have done the same and saved money by not calling a Special Meeting.

Phillip Haynes asked if the work to alter the parking arrangements at the Community Centre/Library Precinct came in on budget.

Works and Engineering Director Chris Schumacher advised this work was completed within the budget.

Phillip Haynes asked was Oberon Council involved with the Health Survey which was distributed with the last Rate Notices. Was there any cost to Council?

Alan Cairney advised Oberon Council's involvement was to arrange for it to be distributed with the rate notices. There was no additional cost to include this as part of the rate notice distribution.

The Oberon RSL Sub-branch received a grant of \$7,000 for restoration of the Burruga War Memorial. President Bill Wilcox and Hon. Secretary Neville Stapleton from the Oberon RSL Sub-Branch presented a cheque to Mr Charles Lamburn from the Burruga Ag Bureau to carry out the restoration work. Charles Lamburn extended his appreciation to the Oberon RSL Sub-branch for assistance with applying for this grant and to Oberon Council for the assistance given in raising these funds.

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting 17 February 2015

Moved: Lord
Second: Francis

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 17 February 2015 be confirmed.

Carried 01 170215

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil

9. MAYORAL MINUTE AND REPORT

09.01 MAYORAL MINUTE AND REPORT

File No: Governance/Meetings/Ordinary
Author: Clr John McMahon, Mayor

Summary

This report summarises the main activity for the Mayor since reported to the February Council Meeting.

Moved: Morgan
Second: Lord

That Report Item 09.01 is received as information.

Carried 02 170215

10. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

10.01 NOTICE OF MOTION – CARLWOOD ROAD

File No: R2
Author: Councillor John Morgan

Summary

Seeking to have the unsealed section of Carlwood Road reconstructed and bitumen sealed due to greatly increased number of traffic movements.

Moved: Morgan
Second: McCarthy

That re-constructed and bitumen sealing of Carlwood Road, O'Connell to provide safe all weather travel route for the greatly increased number of traffic movements resulting from rezoning the area from Rural to R5, Large Lot Residential be submitted for consideration in the Operation Plan 2015/16 in conjunction with the adoption of the Oberon Community Strategic Plan 2015.

Carried 03 170215

11. COUNCILLOR AND DELEGATES REPORTS

11.01 CENTROC HEALTH WORKFORCE MEETING

File No: Governance/Ordinary/Meetings
Author: Lynette Safranek, Finance & Community Services Director; Councillor John Morgan

Summary

Councillor John Morgan and the Finance & Community Services Director attended the Centroc Health Workforce Meeting held in Forbes on 12 February 2015.

Moved: Morgan
Second: Francis

That Report Item 11.01 is received as information.

Carried 04 170315

11.02 CENTROC BOARD MEETING – BOOROWA 26 FEBRUARY 2015

File No: Government Relations/Local and Regional Consultation/Centroc
Author: Mayor John McMahon and Jenny Bennett, Centroc

Summary

The Mayor, Councillor John McMahon and General Manager, Alan Cairney attended the Centroc Board Meeting held in Boorowa on Thursday 26 February 2015.

Moved: Doney
Second: McMahon

That Delegates Report Item 11.02 is received as information.

Carried 05 170315

11.03 OBERON ARTS COUNCIL

File No: Community Relations/Community Consultation/Oberon Arts Council
Author: Sharon Swannell, Executive Coordinator

Summary

The Mayor, Councillor McMahon and the General Manager are Council's delegates to the Oberon Arts Council (OAC). Both delegates tendered apologies for the meeting held on Tuesday 24 February due to a conflicting appointment in Sydney.

Moved: Morgan
Second: Gibbons

That delegate's report item 11.03 is received as information.

Carried 06 170315

11.04 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW TOURISM CONFERENCE

File No: Economic Development/Tourism Development
Author: Councillor Sam Lord

Summary

The Annual Local Government NSW Tourism Conference was held at Mount Panorama, Bathurst on 2 – 4 March 2015. The conference was attended by myself, General Manager Alan Cairney and Executive Coordinator, Sharon Swannell.

Moved: Lord
Second: Francis

That report item 11.04 is received as information.

Carried 07 170315

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.01 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

File: Governance/Ordinary/March 2015
Author: Lynette Safranek, Finance & Community Services Committee

Summary

Minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting held on 26 February 2015 is submitted for Council's information and consideration.

Moved: Sajowitz
Second: Evans

That this report be received by Council as information, and that the Director of Finance & Community Services re-assess the location of staff within the Library.

Carried 08 170315

12.02 HERITAGE COMMITTEE

File: Governance/Meetings/Heritage Committee
Author: Gary Wallace, Planning & Development Director

Summary

Minutes of the Heritage Committee held on 23 February 2015 submitted for Council's information and consideration.

Moved: McCarthy
Second: Gibbons

That the Minutes of the Heritage Committee held on 23 February 2015 received as information.

Carried 09 170315

12.03 OBERON SPORTS FACILITIES COMMITTEE

File: Governance/Meetings/Oberon Sports Facilities Committee
Author: Chris Schumacher, Works and Engineering Director

Summary

Minutes of the Oberon Sports Facilities Committee held on 25 February 2015 is submitted for Council's information and consideration.

Moved: Gibbons
Second: Sajowitz

That the Minutes of the Oberon Sports Facilities Committee held on 25 February 2015 be received as information.

Carried 10 170315

13. REPORTS FOR DECISION

13.01 PROGRESS UPDATE – FIT FOR THE FUTURE REFORM PROGRAM

File No: Government Relations / State Liaison / Office of Local Government
Author: Alan Cairney, General Manager

Summary

A comprehensive progress report on the NSW Government Reform Program was submitted to the December Council Meeting and recommended a plan for engaging with the community and also in preparing a Fit for the Future proposal. This progress report provides an update on recent activity including a joint meeting with representatives of Bathurst Regional Council, Blayney Shire Council, Lithgow City Council and Oberon Council.

Moved: Morgan
Second: Gibbons

That Councillor and Management Workshops be arranged to review the options for the Fit for the Future proposals, and that Community Information Sessions be held prior to submitting a proposal.

Carried 11 170315

13.02 HAZELGROVE ROAD SEAL EXTENSION

File No: R188
Author: Ian Tucker, Works Manager

Summary

Concerns a request to allocate funds to seal a section of Hazelgrove Rd.

Moved: McCarthy
Second: Morgan

That \$65,000 be allocated from Section 94 Rural Roads fund to be used in this financial year to carry out the sealing of a 600m section of Hazelgrove Rd.

Carried 12 170315

13.03 FIXING COUNTRY ROADS

File No: Governance/Ordinary/March 2015

Author: Lynette Safranek, Finance & Community Services; Chris Schumacher, Works & Engineering Director

Summary

Council were advised at the December 2014 meeting that we were applying for a Fixing Country Roads grant for the Sewell's Creek and Beaconsfield Roads. This application has been accepted and Council need to confirm acceptance of this funding, which includes a contribution of \$100,000 towards this project.

Moved: Gibbons
Second: McCarthy

That Council delegate the Mayor and General Manager to sign the deed of agreement, and the \$100,000 Council contribution be allocated when the Operational Plan is adopted in conjunction with the Oberon CSP 2015.

Further that a report be prepared for the next Works Committee Meeting regarding the location of work to be carried out.

Carried 13 170315

13.04 ROAD NAMING – UNAMED ROAD OFF NUNANS HILL ROAD

File No: BCS/ Roads /Naming /Roads and Lanes

Author: Chris Schumacher, Works and Engineering Director

Summary

At the 17 February 2015 Ordinary Meeting of Council it was resolved to name the unnamed section of road that runs south off Nunan's Hill Road "Baileys Lane North". This report outlines the reasons why the road cannot be named Bailey Lane North and seeks endorsement from Council for a new road name.

Moved: McCarthy
Second: Evans

That Council endorse the name of Adam's Lane for the unnamed section of road that runs south off Nunan's Hill Road.

Carried 14 170315

13.05 ROAD NAMING – UNAMED ROAD OFF O'CONNELL ROAD

File No: BCS/ Roads /Naming /Roads and Lanes

Author: Chris Schumacher, Works and Engineering Director

Summary

In response to a Council advertisement inviting public submissions, road naming suggestions have been received for the un-named road off O'Connell Road at the recent subdivision, 2.8kms from the beginning of O'Connell Rd.

Moved: McCarthy
Second: Evans

That Council endorse a new road name of Humphries Drive for the un-named section of road that runs off O'Connell Road at the recent subdivision, 2.8kms from the beginning of O'Connell Rd.

Carried 15 170315

13.06 CLEANING CONTRACT TENDER – COUNCIL BUILDINGS

File No: Council Properties/contracting
Author: Jaclyn Burns, Health and Building Manager

Summary

This report seeks Council's engagement of a Contractor to undertake the Councils Building Cleaning Contract. Tenders were considered by staff via a serviced based and financial based evaluation matrix.

Moved: Sajowitz
Second: McCarthy

That Council accept the Tender from Pioneer Services and enter into a Contract for Building Cleaning.

Carried 16 170315

Clr Francis declared an interest in Item 13.07, point 1. Clr Francis owns land adjoining the proposed closure. Clr Francis remained in the meeting during the debate.

Clr Lord declared an interest in Item 13.07, point 2. Clr Lord's family own adjoining land the proposed road closure. Clr Lord remained in the meeting during the debate.

13.07 CROWN ROAD CLOSURES

File No: Roads/Rd Closures/Permanent
Author: Chris Schumacher, Works and Engineering Director

Summary

Applications have been submitted for the closure of a number of sections of Crown Road. A report was considered at the 17 February 2015 Council Meeting and Council resolved to seek an extension to respond to proposed closure of these sections of Crown Roads to allow proper investigation into the impacts on adjoining landholders to be carried out.

This report includes details of a further 3 applications for the closure of sections of Crown Road.

Moved: McMahon
Second: McCarthy

That Council has no objection to the closure of these sections of Crown Roads as follows provided that no properties are left without legal and practical access:

1. Crown Roads within and adjoining the property at 570 Mayfield Road, Mayfield 2787; within and adjoining the property known as “Buck Burraga” at 2481 Arkstone Road, Arkstone 2795;
2. Crown Roads within and adjoining the property known as “Penarth” at 371 Murrays Lane, Mozart 2787;
3. Crown and unformed Council Roads at O’Connell, south of Fish River, north of Mutton Falls Rd, within and adjoining properties “Rawlinson End”, “The Billabong”, “Wandeen”, and “Chelsea Park”;
4. Crown Road at Oberon, east of O’Connell Rd, south of Faugha Ballaugha Rd, within and adjoining properties 970 O’Connell Rd and 90 Faugha Ballaugha Rd;
5. Crown Road at Oberon, west of Shooters Hill Rd, south of Lake Oberon, adjoining property 352 Shooters Hill Rd.
6. Crown Road at Oberon, east of Hazelgrove Road, west of Blenheim State Forest, within property numbers 160 and 132 Hazelgrove Road.
7. Crown Road at Gingkin, north of Sheepstation Forest Road, south of Keith Armstrong Road, within and adjoining property number 207 Sheepstation Forest Road.
8. Crown Road at Edith, north of Edith Road, south of Duckmaloi River, adjoining Property number 1440 Edith Road.

Carried 17 170315

13.08 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 10.2015.7.1 – SHED & CARPORT

File No: Property/PO11-22

Author: Health and Building Surveyor, Kerry Davison

Summary

A Development Application has been received for the construction of a shed with attached carport at 22 Carrington Avenue, Oberon. Variations to Development Control Plan (DCP) 2001 is sought, with particular reference to Part C.5.5 – “Building Height Plane”, and Part C.6.4 – “Carports and Garages.”

Moved: McCarthy
Second: Lord

That Council vary Part C.6.4 “*Carports and Garages*” and Part C.5.5 – “*Building Height Plane*” of the Oberon Development Control Plan 2001 associated to Development Application 10.2015.7.1 for the construction of a new residential shed with attached carport at Lot 2 in DP 25828, being 22 Carrington Avenue, Oberon.

Carried 18 170315

In accordance with Section 375A of The Local Government Act 1993 the following votes are recorded for and against the Motion:

Votes For: Councillors McMahon, Francis, Gibbons, Morgan, Sajowitz, McCarthy, Lord, Doney and Evans

Against: Nil

13.09 CROWN LAND – CORPORATE TRUST MANAGER

File No: Land Use & Planning/Crown Land
Author: Alan Cairney, General Manager

Summary

A request has been received from the Crown Lands Division concerning the ongoing management of the public hall at Black Springs.

Correspondence has also been received from the Oberon Children’s Centre requesting Oberon Council act as a guarantor over the security provision for the Centre to enable them to accept a capital works grant for extensions to the facility.

Moved: Gibbons
Second: Francis

That Council agree to the request to be appointed as Corporate Trust Manager of the Black Springs Hall Reserve.

Carried 19 170315

14. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

14.01 MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – GENERAL MANAGER

File No: Governance/Meetings/Ordinary
Author: Alan Cairney, General Manager

Summary

This report item summaries the main activity by the General Manager during September including Human Resources and Workplace Health & Safety, Executive Support matters, Information Technology & Communications, Community Activity, Regional Issues, Executive Management Team, and details of planned activity for the coming months.

14.02 MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

File: Governance/Meetings/Ordinary
Author: Gary Wallace, Planning and Development Director

Summary

Providing details of major work within the Planning & Development Department for March and April and provide information on statistics of work that has occurred in February.

14.03 MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - WORKS AND ENGINEERING

File: Governance/Meetings/Ordinary
Author: Chris Schumacher, Works and Engineering Director and Ian Tucker, Works Manager

Summary

Providing a summary of the major work in the Works & Engineering Department for the month of February 2015 plus planned work for the coming months.

14.04 MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – FINANCE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

File No: Governance/Meetings/Ordinary
Author: Lynette Safranek, Finance and Community Services Director

Summary

This report provides a summary of major work within the Finance and Community Services Department during February 2015, plus planned activities for the following months.

14.05 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

File No: Financial Management/Investments/Register
Author: Tim Booth, Management Accountant

Summary

Reporting the Statement of Investments as at 28 February 2015.

14.06 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR 2013/14

File No: Development and Building Controls\Development Department Statistics\DOP Stats
Author: Gary Wallace, Planning & Development Director

Summary

Each year the Department of Planning publishes the statistical performance of development approvals for New South Wales Councils.

14.07 MAYFIELD ROAD PROJECT – PROGRESS REPORT

File No: R12
Author: Chris Schumacher, Works and Engineering Director & Ian Tucker, Works Manager

Summary

This report outlines the current construction progress and accumulative expenditure on the reconstruction and sealing of the \$1.6M Mayfield Road project.

14.08 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

File No: Governance/Meetings/Ordinary
Author: Sharon Swannell, Executive Assistant

Summary

The Report Item provides a summary of incoming correspondence for the period 1 – 28 February 2015.

14.09 COUNCILLOR REQUEST FORMS

File No: Governance/Councillors
Author: Alan Cairney, General Manager

Summary

Providing an update on the status of Councillor Request Forms submitted during the last month.

Moved: Doney
Second: Lord

That report item 14.01 to 14.09 is received as information.

Carried 20 170315

15. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

16. CLOSED SESSION / CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil

17. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 7.33pm.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Oberon Council will be held on:

Tuesday 21 April 2015
commencing at 5.30pm

in the Oberon Council Chambers
137 – 139 Oberon Street, Oberon.