

MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 15 May 2018
Location: Council Chambers, City Administrative Building, Bridge Road, Nowra
Time: 4.30pm

The following members were present:

Clr Amanda Findley - Chairperson
Clr Joanna Gash
Clr Patricia White
Clr Kaye Gartner
Clr Nina Cheyne
Clr Annette Alldrick
Clr John Levett
Clr Mitchell Pakes
Clr Greg Watson
Clr Mark Kitchener
Clr Bob Proudfoot

Apologies / Leave of Absence

A request for leave was received from Clr Wells and Clr Guile for this meeting.

Declarations of Interest

Clr Pakes – CL18.107 – Rescission Motion – CL18.95 – Request for Funding Support – Broughton Vale/Berry Rural Fire Station – Site Works – less than significant non pecuniary interest declaration – he is a member of the NSW RFS Culburra Beach Brigade – will remain in the room and will take part in discussion and vote.

MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

CL18.105 Rescission Motion – CL18.84 – Foreshore Reserves (Page 21)

Ms Maureen Webb addressed the meeting to speak in favour of the recommendation.

NOTICES OF MOTION / QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

CL18.105 Rescission Motion - CL18.84 - Foreshore Reserves

HPERM Ref:
D18/141117

Recommendation

That Council rescind the Motion relating to Item CL18.84 of the Council Meeting held on 24 April 2018.

MOTION (Clr Levett / Clr Cheyne)

MIN18.342

That Council rescind the Motion relating to Item CL18.84 of the Council Meeting held on 24 April 2018.

FOR: Clr Findley, Clr Gartner, Clr Cheyne, Clr Alldrick and Clr Levett

AGAINST: Clr Gash, Clr White, Clr Pakes, Clr Watson, Clr Kitchener and Clr Proudfoot

LOST

CL18.106 Notice of Motion - Foreshore Reserves

HPERM Ref:
D18/141164

Recommendation

That Council continue to manage foreshore reserves in accordance with existing policies that are in line with the CSP & Our Coast Our Lifestyle, ie. to protect vegetation and habitat, particularly salt marsh communities.

This item was not dealt with as the preseding rescission motion was LOST. See MIN18.342.

CL18.107 Rescission Motion - CL18.95 - Request for Funding Support - Broughton Vale / Berry Rural Fire Station - Site Works

HPERM Ref:
D18/141350

Clr Pakes – less than significant non pecuniary interest declaration – he is a member of the NSW RFS Culburra Beach Brigade – will remain in the room and will take part in discussion and vote.

Recommendation

That Council rescind the Motion relating to Item CL18.95 of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 April 2018.

MOTION (Clr Pakes / Clr Proudfoot)

That Council rescind the Motion relating to Item CL18.95 of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 April 2018.

Clr Pakes raised a Point of Order against Clr Gartner in relation to her comment that a Councillor brought a Notice of Motion to the Table with a \$400,000 bill. Clr Pakes stated that is came from a staff report.

The Mayor ruled against the Point of Order.

Clr Gartner raised a Point of Order in relation to Clr Watson's comment that Clr Gartner is speaking rubbish.

The Mayor ruled in favour of the Point of Order and Clr Watson withdrew his comment.

Clr Pakes raised a Point of Order against Clr Gash in relation to her figures she is stating are not factual.

The Mayor ruled against the Point of Order.

Clr Pakes raised a Point of Order against the Mayor in regards to comments about State Funding that are factually incorrect.

The Mayor ruled against the Point of Order.

Clr Levett raised a Point of Order against Clr Pakes in regards to Councillors 'lying' in debate. Clr Pakes withdrew his comments about lies.

PROCEDURAL MOTION (RESOLVED) (Clr Gash / Clr Gartner)

MIN18.343

That Council rescind the Motion relating to Item CL18.95 of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 April 2018

MOTION OF DISSENT (Clr Watson / Clr Proudfoot)

Clr Watson moved a motion of Dissent against the ruling of the Chairperson to accept the Procedural Motion.

FOR: Clr Pakes, Clr Watson, Clr Kitchener and Clr Proudfoot

AGAINST: Clr Findley, Clr Gash, Clr White, Clr Gartner, Clr Cheyne, Clr Alldrick and Clr Levett

MOTION OF DISSENT LOST

PROCEDURAL MOTION was PUT and CARRIED.

FOR: Clr Findley, Clr Gash, Clr White, Clr Gartner, Clr Cheyne, Clr Alldrick and Clr Levett

AGAINST: Clr Pakes, Clr Watson, Clr Kitchener and Clr Proudfoot

**CL18.108 Notice of Motion - Request for Funding Support -
Broughton Vale / Berry Rural Fire Station - Site Works**

**HPERM Ref:
D18/141366**

Recommendation

That Council advises the District Manager, Shoalhaven RFS that Council will fund the estimated \$400,000 (exc GST) additional cost of the Berry & Broughton Vale Rural Fire Service Station, via a specific allocation in the 2018-2019 financial year.

Note: The rescission motion and therefore also this item was deferred to the next Ordinary Meeting see MIN18.343

REPORTS

CL18.109 Amendment to POL16/202 Revenue Pensioner Rates and Charges - Arrears and Interest

**HPERM Ref:
D18/151327**

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Agree to the removal of the Interest Free Period provision from POL16/202 Revenue – Pensioner Rates and Charges – Arrears and Interest, effective 1 July 2018
2. Adopt the amended policy POL16/202 Revenue – Pensioner Rates and Charges – Arrears and Interest
3. Adopt the expanded hardship assistance policy, POL16/200 Revenue Hardship Policy, attached to this Report

Note: Cllr Watson left the meeting at 6.21pm.

RESOLVED (Cllr Gash / Cllr Gartner)

MIN18.344

That:

1. Council agree to the removal of the Interest Free Period provision from POL16/202 Revenue – Pensioner Rates and Charges – Arrears and Interest, effective 1 July 2018;
2. Council adopt the amended policy POL16/202 Revenue – Pensioner Rates and Charges – Arrears and Interest Policy and the “no disadvantage” alternative to compensate for the removal of the Interest Free Period;
3. For 2018-2019 financial year, any pensioner approaching Council under the provisions of Council’s Hardship Policy will have the interest waived.

FOR: Cllr Findley, Cllr Gash, Cllr White, Cllr Gartner, Cllr Cheyne, Cllr Alldrick and Cllr Levett

AGAINST: Cllr Pakes, Cllr Kitchener and Cllr Proudfoot

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 6.45pm.

Cllr Findley
CHAIRPERSON