



Hawkesbury City Council

ordinary meeting minutes

date of meeting: 08 June 2021

location: council chambers

and by audio-visual link

time: 6:30 p.m.

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Windsor and by Audio-Visual Link, on 8 June 2021, commencing at 6:30pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Patrick Conolly was absent from this Council Meeting. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Mary Lyons-Buckett presided at the meeting, in accordance with Section 369(1) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Welcome

Councillor Mary Lyons-Buckett, Deputy Mayor acknowledged the Indigenous Heritage.

The General Manager addressed the Council meeting, mentioning:

- Emergency Procedures
- Recording of the Council Meeting
- Statement regarding people addressing the Meeting
- Mobile phones

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

At Council Chambers: Councillor Mary Lyons-Buckett, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Barry Calvert, Emma-Jane Garrow, Amanda Kotlash, John Ross, Danielle Wheeler and Nathan Zamprogno.

By Audio-Visual Link: Councillor Paul Rasmussen.

ALSO PRESENT:

At Council Chambers: General Manager - Elizabeth Richardson, Director City Planning - Linda Perrine, Director Infrastructure Services - Jeff Organ, Director Support Services - Laurie Mifsud, Acting Chief Financial Officer - Vanessa Browning, Strategic Planning Manager - Andrew Kearns, Corporate Planning and Performance Strategist - Stephannie Kissun, Manager Corporate Communication - Suzanne Stuart, Manager Corporate Services and Governance - Charles McElroy and Administrative Support Coordinator - Tracey Easterbrook.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Patrick Conolly, Mayor, Peter Reynolds, Sarah Richards and Tiffany Tree.

The General Manager advised that at the Council Meeting on 20 April 2021, Council resolved to grant approval for Councillor Rasmussen to attend the Council Meeting of 8 June 2021 by audio-visual link.

143 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Garrow and seconded by Councillor Zamprogno that the apologies be accepted for Councillors Patrick Conolly, Mayor, Peter Reynolds, Sarah Richards and Tiffany Tree.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Kotlash declared an interest on Item 102.

Acknowledgement of Official Visitors to the Council

There were no official visitors to the Council.

SECTION 1 - Confirmation of Minutes

144 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Calvert and seconded by Councillor Kotlash that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 25 May 2021, be confirmed.

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SECTION 3 – Reports for Determination

A PROCEDURAL MOTION was moved by Councillor Kotlash.

That:

1. The proposed allocation within the 2021/2022 Operational Plan of funding for Council's membership of the Sydney Weeds Network be considered separately to consideration of the balance of the 2021/2022 Operational Plan.
2. The proposed allocation within the 2021/2022 Operational Plan of funding for Council's membership of the Sydney Weeds Network be considered forthwith and prior to consideration of the balance of the 2021/2022 Operational Plan.

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Kotlash, Rasmussen, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

The Motion was carried.

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GENERAL MANAGER

Item: 102 **GM - Adoption of 2021/2022 Operational Plan, and Making and Levying of Rates and Fixing of Charges for the Period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 - (79351, 95496, 96332)**

Previous Item: 069, Ordinary (20 April 2021)

Directorate: General Manager

Councillor Kotlash declared a pecuniary interest in this matter as the organisation she is works for, Sydney Weeds Network, receives membership fees from Hawkesbury City Council. She left the Meeting and did not take part in voting or discussion on the matter.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Calvert, seconded by Councillor Wheeler.

Refer to RESOLUTION

145 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Calvert, seconded by Councillor Wheeler.

The allocation within the 2021/2022 Operational Plan of \$1,500 for funding for Council's membership of the Sydney Weeds Network be adopted.

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Rasmussen, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprognio.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Kotlash, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

Councillor Amanda Kotlash returned to the meeting.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

Refer to RESOLUTION

146 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

That Council defer consideration of the 2021/2022 Operational Plan until further information which may have a bearing on allocated resources can be provided, including:

1. Confirmation of State Government funding for repair and betterment (widening) of Greens Road as stated by local members to residents.

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2. Cost of permanent seal versus proposed temporary seal for Wheelbarrow Ridge Road, difference in timeframe, and options to funding.
3. Clarification of unspent funds in the Federal Government Emergency Response Fund intended to mitigate against disasters, and Council's capacity to access this funding.
4. Projected costs of provision of access including via waterway for residents currently having to travel via Wheelbarrow Ridge fire trail, or other temporary solution to enable such impacted residents to avoid the additional travel.
5. Projected costs of garbage collection trial (potentially purchase of small garbage truck or alternative method) to access areas currently considered unable to receive garbage collection (eg. Greens Road, Wheelbarrow Ridge Road and Upper Colo area).

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Kotlash, Rasmussen, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

Adjournment of Meeting

At 6:51pm the meeting was adjourned due to a fire alarm in the Council Administration Building, requiring the Council Chambers to be evacuated. The meeting reconvened at 7:15pm.

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CITY PLANNING

Item: 103 **CP - Water Management and Quality - (95498, 151938)**

Previous Item: 021, Ordinary (9 February 2021)

Directorate: City Planning

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Kotlash, seconded by Councillor Calvert.

That this matter be deferred to the Council Meeting on 29 June 2021 for consideration.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

That:

1. Council receive and note the information contained in this report from the Environment Committee Meeting on 13 April 2021.
2.
 - a) Council support the current activities being undertaken to monitor, protect and enhance the Hawkesbury River and its catchment.
 - b) This matter be brought back to the Environment Committee for advice as the Hawkesbury Coastal Management Plan progresses.

For the Amendment: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Garrow, Rasmussen and Wheeler.

Against the Amendment: Councillors Calvert, Kotlash, Ross and Zamprogno.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

The Amendment was carried on the casting vote of the Chairperson.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Kotlash, seconded by Councillor Calvert.

Refer to RESOLUTION

147 RESOLUTION:

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For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Rasmussen, Ross and Wheeler and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Councillor Kotlash.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

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INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item: 104 **IS - Draft Woodbury Reserve Masterplan and Plan of Management - (95495, 79354)**

Directorate: Infrastructure Services

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Garrow.

Refer to RESOLUTION

148 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Garrow.

That:

1. Council publicly exhibit the Draft Woodbury Reserve Plan of Management attached as Attachment 1 to the report, including the Masterplan, allowing the community a minimum of 42 days to provide comment on the Plan.
2. The matter be reported back to Council following the public exhibition period.

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Kotlash, Rasmussen, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

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SUPPORT SERVICES

Item: 105 **SS - 2021/2022 Remuneration for Mayor and Councillors - (95496, 96332)**

Directorate: Support Services

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Kotlash, seconded by Councillor Zamprogno.

1. The annual fee for Councillors for 2021/2022 be set at \$24,810.
2. The additional annual fee for the Mayor be set at \$61,280, and the Deputy Mayor's additional annual fee be set at \$9,192, to be deducted from the Mayor's \$61,280 annual fee.

For the Motion: Councillors Calvert, Kotlash, Ross and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Councillors Garrow, Lyons-Buckett, Rasmussen and Wheeler.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

The motion was lost on the casting vote of the Chairperson.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Councillor Garrow.

Refer to RESOLUTION

149 RESOLUTION:

That the annual fees for Councillors, the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor for 2021/2022 be set at the same fees as applicable for 2020/2021.

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Garrow, Rasmussen and Wheeler.

Against the Motion: Councillors Kotlash, Calvert, Ross and Zamprogno.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

The Motion was carried on the casting vote of the Chairperson.

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Item: 106 **SS - Administration of the September 2021 Hawkesbury City Council Local Government Elections - (95496)**

Previous Item: 187, Ordinary (24 September 2019)

Directorate: Support Services

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Garrow.

Refer to RESOLUTION

150 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen, seconded by Councillor Garrow.

That the report regarding the Hawkesbury City Council Local Government Election be received and noted.

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Kotlash, Rasmussen, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

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SECTION 4 – Reports of Committees

Item: 107 **ROC - Heritage Committee - 11 March 2021 - (80242, 95498, 124414)**

Directorate: City Planning

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Councillor Garrow.

Refer to RESOLUTION

151 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Councillor Garrow.

That in relation to the Minutes of the Heritage Committee Meeting held on the 11 March 2021:

1. Council receive and note Item 1 – Council Committee Constitution.
2. Council endorse the Committee Recommendation in respect of Item 2, namely:

"That the Heritage Committee:

1. *Considers the outstanding actions contained within Table 1*
2. *Prioritises the outstanding actions and recommends deadlines for these actions to be reported back to Council for consideration."*

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Kotlash, Rasmussen, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

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Item: 108 ROC - Environment Committee - 13 April 2021 - (151938, 95498)

Directorate: City Planning

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Kotlash, seconded by Councillor Calvert.

Refer to RESOLUTION

152 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Kotlash, seconded by Councillor Calvert.

That in relation to the Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2021:

1. Council receive and note Item 1 – Election of Chairperson.
2. Council endorse the Committee Recommendation in respect of Item 2, namely:

“That the Environment Committee:

1. *Receive and note this report.*
2. *Request that staff provide a report on electric vehicle charging that includes consideration of:*
 - *The NSW Roads Act 1993*
 - *Location and proximity to other vehicles of charging infrastructure*
 - *Traffic related implications*
 - *Source of electricity for charging*
 - *Options associated with ownership of charging infrastructure.*
 - *An appraisal of how other Councils are dealing with this matter*
 - *Examples of other Council's Electronic Vehicle policies which are to be attached to the report.*
3. *Request that this report be brought back to the Environment Committee so that feedback and ideas can be sought from the community, tourism operators, the NRMA and similar peak bodies, and the Australian Electric Car Association for example.*
4. *Compile the outcomes of the report and consultation and recommend that Council develop an Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Policy and Guidelines based on these outcomes.”*

3. In regard to Item 3:

That:

1. Council receive and note the information contained in respect to Item 3 in the report from the Environment Committee Meeting on 13 April 2021.
2. a) Council support the current activities being undertaken to monitor, protect and enhance the Hawkesbury River and its catchment.

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b) This matter be brought back to the Environment Committee for advice as the Hawkesbury Coastal Management Plan progresses.

4. Council endorse the Committee Recommendation in respect of Item 4, namely:

"That the Environment Committee:

1. Receive and note this report.

2. Request that a report be brought back to the Environment Committee, so that it can consult with the wider community on the following:

a) What Council might have the capacity to do in the future to prevent litter going into our rivers and oceans.

b) What future opportunities Council might have to partner with others to combat this problem."

For the Motion: Councillors Lyons-Buckett, Calvert, Garrow, Kotlash, Rasmussen, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprogno.

Against the Motion: Nil.

Absent: Councillors Conolly, Reynolds, Richards and Tree.

The meeting terminated at 8:51pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the Ordinary meeting held on 15 June 2021.

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Mayor