



Hawkesbury City Council

ordinary meeting minutes

date of meeting: 08 July 2014

location: council chambers

time: 6:30 p.m.

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– **WELCOME**

Prayer
Acknowledgement of Indigenous Heritage

– **APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

– **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

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– **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OFFICIAL VISITORS TO THE COUNCIL**

– **SECTION 2 - Mayoral Minutes**

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– **SECTION 3 - Reports for Determination**

Planning Decisions

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 8 July 2014, commencing at 6:31pm.

Reverend Aleks Pinter of the St Mathews Anglican Church, Windsor, representing the Hawkesbury Minister's Association, gave the opening prayer at the commencement of the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Councillor K Ford, Mayor, Councillor T Tree, Deputy Mayor and Councillors B Calvert, P Conolly, M Creed, M Lyons-Buckett, W Mackay, C Paine, B Porter, P Rasmussen, J Reardon and L Williams.

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager - Peter Jackson, Director City Planning - Matt Owens, Director Infrastructure Services - Jeff Organ, Director Support Services - Laurie Mifsud, Executive Manager - Community Partnerships - Joseph Litwin, Manager Corporate Services and Governance - Abbey Rouse and Administrative Support Coordinator - Natasha Martin.

Councillor Rasmussen arrived at the meeting at 6:32pm.

Councillor Mackay arrived at the meeting at 6:59pm.

SECTION 1: Confirmation of Minutes

195 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Creed and seconded by Councillor Reardon that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 24 June 2014, be confirmed.

SECTION 3 - Reports for Determination

GENERAL MANAGER

Item: 118 GM - Local Government NSW Annual Conference - (79351, 112608)

MOTION:

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

Refer to RESOLUTION

196 RESOLUTION:

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

That:

1. Attendance of nominated Councillors and staff as considered appropriate by the General Manager, at the 2014 Local Government NSW Annual Conference at an approximate cost of \$2,180 per delegate be approved and that Councillors Calvert, Creed, Ford, Lyons-Buckett, Mackay, Paine, Porter, Reardon, Tree and Williams attend the Conference as Council's delegates.
2. Council nominate four voting delegates from those nominated to attend the 2014 Local Government NSW Annual Conference.
3. Local Government NSW be advised of the significant issues of concern to Council and the community for consideration at the Conference as outlined in the report.

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Rasmussen.

That Councillor Ford, Mayor, Councillors Paine, Reardon and Williams be nominated as Council's voting delegates at the 2014 Local Government NSW Annual Conference.

MOTION:

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

Refer to RESOLUTION

197 RESOLUTION:

That Councillor Ford, Mayor, Councillors Paine, Reardon and Williams be nominated as Council's voting delegates at the 2014 Local Government NSW Annual Conference.

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Item: 119 **GM - Local Government NSW 2014 Water Management Conference - (79351, 112608)**

MOTION:

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

Refer to RESOLUTION

198 RESOLUTION:

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

That:

1. Attendance of nominated Councillors and staff as considered appropriate by the General Manager, at the LGNSW 2014 Water Management Conference at an approximate cost of \$1,390 plus travel expenses per delegate be approved.
2. Councillors Ford, Mackay and Reardon attend the LGNSW 2014 Water Management Conference as Council's nominated delegate.

Item: 120 **GM - Question of Number of Councillors for Hawkesbury Local Government Area - (79351)**

Previous Item: 33, Ordinary (1 November 2005)
 1, Ordinary (28 February 2006)
 166, Ordinary (26 July 2011)
 MM, Ordinary (25 February 2014)
 91, Ordinary (27 May 2014)

Ms Janis Sparkes addressed Council, speaking for the item.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to RESOLUTION

199 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

That the information be received, that the existing number of Councillors be maintained and it also be noted that for the purposes of Section 224(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 Council has now undertaken the required review of the number of Councillors that presently exist for the Hawkesbury Local Government Area prior to the 2016 Local Government Elections.

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INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item: 121 **IS - Lennon Bros and Stardust Circus - Applications for McQuade Park - (95495, 79354)**

Previous Item: 71, Ordinary (8 April 2014)

MOTION:

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

Refer to RESOLUTION

200 RESOLUTION:

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

That:

1. The Lennon Bros Circus be given approval for use of McQuade Park between Monday, 20 October to Monday, 10 November 2014.
2. The Stardust Circus be given approval for use of McQuade Park between Monday, 9 February to Sunday, 1 March 2015.
3. The approvals be subject to the following conditions/documents:
 - a) Council's General Park Conditions.
 - b) Council's Fees and Charges.
 - c) The McQuade Park Plan of Management.

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SUPPORT SERVICES

Item: 122 SS - Australian Local Government Association - Financial Assistance Grants - (95496, 82046)

Mr Michael Want addressed Council, speaking for the item.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Porter.

Refer to RESOLUTION

201 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Porter.

That Council:

1. Write to the Federal Member for Macquarie, Louise Markus MP, highlighting the implications of the decision made by the Federal Government in the 2014/2015 Budget to freeze the indexation of the Financial Assistance Grants until 2017/2018 and request the decision be reviewed.
2. Advise the Australian Local Government Association of its decision in regard to this matter.
3. Invite the Federal Member for Macquarie, Louise Markus MP to a Councillor Briefing Session to discuss the Financial Assistance Grants.
4. Write to WSROC informing the organisation that Council concurs with the Australian Local Government Association's resolution to

"reject Recommendation 22 of the National Commission of Audit in which the Commission recommends that tied grants to local government cease, and to the extent that programmes are identified as priorities, local and state government provide them to the communities they serve"

and that Council request WSROC to continue to lobby on behalf of member councils on this matter.

SECTION 4 - Reports of Committees

ROC Floodplain Risk Management Advisory Committee - 12 June 2014 - (86589)

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Reardon.

That the minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Advisory Committee held on 12 June 2014 as recorded on pages 25 to 30 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Lyons-Buckett.

That:

1. The minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Advisory Committee held on 12 June 2014 as recorded on pages 25 to 30 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.
2. A report be brought back to Council on the progress of the implementation of the Floodplain Management Study and Plan.

The Amendment was carried and became the Motion.

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Lyons-Buckett.

Refer to RESOLUTION

202 RESOLUTION:

That:

1. The minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Advisory Committee held on 12 June 2014 as recorded on pages 25 to 30 of the Ordinary Business Paper be received.
2. A report be brought back to Council on the progress of the implementation of the Floodplain Management Study and Plan.

ROC Local Traffic Committee - 16 June 2014 - (80245)

203 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Reardon.

That the minutes of the Local Traffic Committee held on 16 June 2014 as recorded on pages 31 to 50 of the Ordinary Business Paper be adopted.

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Questions for Next Meeting

QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Councillor Questions from Previous Meetings and Responses - (73951)

Responses to Questions in relation to previous Questions for Next Meeting were provided and discussed.

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#	Councillor	Question	Response
1	Williams	Enquired if it is possible to have the thumbnails that appear on the bottom of the online Business Paper to correspond with the numbers on the document.	The Director Support Services
2	Paine	Requested that Council clean up the garden bed in front of the toilet block at Ham Common, Clarendon.	The Director Infrastructure Services
3	Porter	Requested an update on the property at Stannix Park Road and what the response from staff would be in relation to an email sent to Councillors. In addition, requested that a site inspection of the property be scheduled, if possible.	The Director City Planning

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

204 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Porter, seconded by Councillor Reardon.

That:

1. The Council meeting be closed to deal with confidential matters and in accordance with Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993, members of the Press and the public be excluded from the Council Chambers during consideration of the following items:

Item: 123 IS - Tender 00941 - The Caretaking and Operation of the Lower Portland Ferry Service - (95495, 79344)

*This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993 as it relates to the Caretaking and Operation of the Lower Portland Ferry Service and the information is regarded as being commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council, or reveal a trade secret and, therefore, if considered in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.*

2. In accordance with the provisions of Section 11(2) & (3) of the Local Government Act, 1993 the reports, correspondence and other relevant documentation relating to these matters be withheld from the Press and public.

The Mayor asked for representation from members of the public as to why Council should not go into closed Council to deal with these confidential matters.

There was no response, therefore, the Press and the public left the Council Chambers.

205 RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Creed, seconded by Councillor Reardon that open meeting be resumed.

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CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Item: 123 **IS - Tender 00941 - The Caretaking and Operation of the Lower Portland Ferry Service - (95495, 79344) CONFIDENTIAL**

Previous Item: 100, Ordinary (10 May 2011)

MOTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, the Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Creed, seconded by Councillor Reardon.

Refer to RESOLUTION

206 RESOLUTION:

The General Manager advised that whilst in closed session, the Council RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Creed, seconded by Councillor Reardon.

That:

1. The information contained in the tender report for Tender 00941 regarding the Caretaking and Operation of the Lower Portland Ferry Service be received and the recommendation contained within the report be adopted.
2. The details of the awarding of the tender be made publically available following adoption of a resolution on the matter by The Hills Shire Council.

The meeting terminated at 7:26pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the Ordinary meeting held on 29 July 2014.

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Mayor