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MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD ON

06 JUNE 2016

AT 7.00pm

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LITHGOW COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE CIVIC CENTRE, LITHGOW ON 6 JUNE 2016**

Meeting Commenced 7:00pm

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Public: 18

PRESENT

Her Worship the Mayor,
Councillor M Statham
Councillor R Higlett
Councillor C Hunter
Councillor W McAndrew
Councillor P Pilbeam
Councillor R Thompson
Councillor F Inzitari
Councillor M F Ticehurst

APOLOGIES

An apology was received from and leave of absence granted to Councillor J J McGinnes out of town on business

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari

Also in attendance

Mr Roger Bailey, General Manager
Mrs Trinity Newton, Personal Assistant to Mayor and General Manager
Mr Iain Stewart, Group Manager Operations
Mr Jim Nichols, Development Manager, Environment and Development

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

16 – 120 RESOLVED

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 16 May 2016 were taken as read and confirmed by Councillor R Higlett and Councillor F Inzitari

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – Nil

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

At 7:02pm Members of the public gallery were invited to participate in the Public Forum Session.

PF – 6/6/16 – Mr John Kearns

Mr Kearns thanked Council for its contribution and the contribution of staff to the Rushworth/Bender Walkathon.

The Mayor thanked Mr Kearns for his comments.

PF – 6/6/16 – Mrs Sue Graves

Mrs Graves made a statement in relation to Item 7 on the Agenda.

The Mayor thanked Mrs Graves for his comments.

PF – 6/6/16 – Mrs Glenda Anthes

Mrs Anthes made a statement in relation to Item 15 on the Agenda

The Mayor thanked Mrs Anthes for his comments.

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ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

ITEM-1 ENVIRO – 06/06/16 - GUMNUT HOUSE

16 – 121 RESOLVED

THAT the information in relation to soil investigations and the status of the temporary closure of Gumnut House be noted.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

ITEM-2 ENVIRO – 06/06/16 - WALLERAWANG POULTRY FARM UPDATE

16 – 122 RESOLVED

THAT the information regarding odour issues for the Wallerawang Poultry Farm be noted.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor R Higlett.

ITEM-3 ENVIRO – 06/06/16 - VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT FOR 03508DA (S9601814) - REMOVAL OF SPORTING FIELDS AND MEDIUM DENISITY HOUSING OF 24 UNITS - 3 STAGES, LOT 1 DP 868379 - HOSKIN

16 – 123 RESOLVED

THAT:

1. Council endorse the Voluntary Planning Agreement proposed by Vision Property Holdings Pty Ltd for a contribution of \$24,000 (\$1,500 per unit, 16 units-stage C) to go toward community facilities
2. The Voluntary Planning Agreement be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

OPERATION REPORTS

**ITEM-4 OPER - 06/06/16 - PORTLAND SEWERAGE AUGMENTATION
CONTRACT ADMIN SERVICES FOR NEW SEWERAGE
TREATMENT PLANT**

16 – 124 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. Note the engagement of NSW Public Works to carry out the expressions of interest stage and tendering services at a cost of \$66,391.60 inc. GST; and
2. Accept the proposal from NSW Public Works to provide procurement, contract administration & technical support services for the augmentation of the Portland Sewerage Treatment Plant at a total cost of \$571,238.80 inc. GST.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

**ITEM-5 OPER – 06/06/16 - PROPOSED CLOSURE - UNFORMED CROWN
ROAD - SOUTH BOWENFELS**

16 – 125 RESOLVED

THAT Council provide the Department of Primary Industries advice supporting the proposed part closure of the crown road providing access to properties located at 3534 & 3532 Great Western Highway on the basis that the crown road closure would commence from the boundary of Lot 3532 extending in a easterly direction to the end of the crown road.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

ITEM-6 OPER - 06/06/16 - WATER REPORT

16 – 126 RESOLVED

THAT Council notes the water report.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY REPORTS

**ITEM-7 CORP – 06/06/16 - COMBINED DELIVERY PROGRAM_DRAFT
OPERATIONAL PLAN-LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN**

16 – 127 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. Notes the receipt of 11 written submissions for the combined Delivery Program 2013-2017 and Operational Plan 2016-2017.
2. Notes the meeting notes from the five Community Information Sessions held during the exhibition period.
3. Adopt the Lithgow City Council Operational Plan 2016-2017 with the following actions identified to be undertaken:
 - a. A shade sail and new playground equipment be installed at Clarence Pirie Park, Capertee.
 - b. Consider the following road works for inclusion in the Draft Works Program:
 - i. Sealing of Jamison and Limestone Streets, Portland and Peachtree Road, Megalong Valley.
 - ii. Rehabilitation of the laneway joining Quarry Road with Jamison Street.
 - iii. Drainage works in Jamison and Limestone Street, Portland.
 - c. The request to make the laneway joining Quarry Road with Jamison Street one-way be referred to TALC for consideration and report to Council.
 - d. The request for Financial Assistance by the Portland Development Committee be referred to the Community Development Committee for consideration and report to Council.
 - e. Browns Gap Road and McKanes Falls Road be considered as potential bike routes in the update of the 1998 Bicycle Plan.
 - f. Council investigate options for bulky waste pick-up in the Megalong Valley.
 - g. The installation of Community Noticeboards be investigated for Hampton and Portland.
 - h. A meeting be convened between Council and the Portland Pool Committee.
 - i. Options for the installation of a Defibrillator at Tony Luchetti Sportsground be investigated.
 - j. Representations be made to the Local Land Services to clean out the Capertee River in the vicinity of the Glen Davis Bridge.
 - k. Installation of Gateway Signage at the southern end of the Capertee Valley be referred to the Tourism Advisory Committee for prioritisation of the Town Entry Signage Program.
 - l. That \$150,000 be reallocated from the Rydal Hampton Road to the two sections McKanes Falls Road referred to in submissions 3 and 8.
4. Refer the operational issues from the submissions and Community Information Session to staff to action.
5. Adopt the Fees & Charges 2016-2017 with the following amendment:

- a. A \$20 suspension fee applies for a minimum suspension time of 2 weeks and a maximum suspension time of 12 weeks once per calendar year for 6 and 12 month memberships.
 - b. 24 hours notice for all requests must be given in writing.
6. Council adopt the Long Term Financial Plan 2016/17-2025/26.
 7. Council make the rates and annual charges for the 2016-2017 rating year as detailed in the 2016-2017 Operational Plan.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson

SECONDED: Councillor W McAndrew.

AGAINST

Councillor M F Ticehurst requested that his name be recorded against this resolution.

ITEM-8 CORP – 06/06/16 - COUNCIL INVESTMENTS HELD TO 30 APRIL 2016

16 – 128 RESOLVED

THAT Investments of \$22,630,800.42 and cash of \$1,053,086.11 for the period ending 30 April 2016 be noted.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor R Higlett.

ITEM-9 CORP – 06/06/16 - WAIVING OF FEES FOR COUNCIL FACILITIES

16 – 129 RESOLVED

THAT Council notes the list of fee waiver requests approved by the General Manager and Council during 2015/16.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

ITEM-10 ENVIRO – 06/06/16 - FEBRUARY 2016 - RURAL LANDS STUDY PROJECT COMMITTEE MINUTES

16 – 130 RESOLVED

THAT Council notes the minutes of the Rural Lands Study Project Steering Committee Meetings:

- Item 10 - 8 February 2016,
- Item 11 - 12 April 2016 and
- Item 12 - 9 May 2016.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED: Councillor W McAndrew.

ITEM-11 ENVIRO – 06/06/16 - APRIL 2016 - RURAL LANDS STUDY PROJECT COMMITTEE MINUTES

This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting

ITEM-12 ENVIRO – 06/06/16 - RURAL LANDS STUDY PROJECT COMMITTEE MINUTES - MAY 2016

This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting

ITEM-13 ENVIRO – 06/06/16 - ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 11 MAY 2016

16 – 131 RESOLVED

THAT Council note the minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee held on 11 May 2016.

MOVED: Councillor C Hunter

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

NOTICE OF MOTION

ITEM-14 NOTICE OF MOTION – 06/06/16 - ROLLOUT OF NBN THE LITHGOW LGA - COUNCILLOR W McANDREW

16 – 132 RESOLVED

THAT Council seek the positions of the major parties on the quick and timely roll out of the NBN for the Lithgow LGA before the upcoming Federal Election and in any event, to lobby aggressively for NBN facilities for our area as a matter of priority.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

ITEM-15 NOTICE OF MOTION – 06/06/16 - CHRISTMAS IN JULY BALL - CLR R HIGLETT

16 – 133 RESOLVED

THAT Council hold a Christmas in July function at the Lithgow Workmen's Club and that this be budgeted for on a cost neutral basis.

MOVED: Councillor R Higlett

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

ITEM-16 NOTICE OF MOTION – 06/06/16 - TIER ONE WATER CHARGE TO AN AFFECTED RATEPAYER UNTIL AUGUST 2016 - CLR F INZITARI

16 – 134 RESOLVED

THAT Council apply the tier one water charge rate for the affected ratepayer until August 2016.

MOVED: Councillor F Inzitari

SECONDED: Councillor P Pilbeam

ITEM-17 NOTICE OF MOTION – 06/06/16 - ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEE REGARDING CLOSED WALLERAWANG POWER STATION AND ASSOCIATED ASSETS - CLR W McANDREW

16 – 135 RESOLVED

THAT a committee of Council be formed involving appropriate staff and up to three councillors, to investigate the availability and/or opportunities for commercial, industrial and light industrial land within the Lithgow LGA including but not limited to, discussions with the NSW Government over the now closed Wallerawang Power Station and its associated lands and buildings and the potential for a Business Park on the site.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

16 – 136 RESOLVED

THAT the following persons be appointed to a Business and Industry Investment Committee:

- Councillor W McAndrew
- Councillor R Thompson
- Councillor F Inzitari
- General Manager

MATTER ARISING**16 – 137 RESOLVED**

THAT Council invite Thales Ltd to advise on their future plans for the former small arms factory site in Methven Street Lithgow

MOVED: Councillor M F Ticehurst

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

ITEM-18 NOTICE OF MOTION – 06/06/16 - MALDON DOMBARTON RAIL FREIGHT LINE - COUNCILLOR W McANDREW

16 - 138 RESOLVED

THAT Council:

1. Reaffirm its policy on the Maldon Dombarton Rail Freight Line,
2. Provide an EOI to the Fixing Country Rail Program supporting its completion and
3. Continue to lobby strongly for funding from both State and Federal Governments for the finalization of this vitally important rail infrastructure project.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor R Thompson.

NOTICE OF RESCISSION

ITEM-19 RESCISSION MOTION – 06/06/16 - COC LIMITED - McAndrew

16 - 139 RESOLVED

Resolution No. 16-111 made at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 16 May 2016 be rescinded:

16 - 111

“That Council allocates \$5,000 to Commonwealth Oil Corporation (COC) Ltd for the development of the Newnes Junction to Wolgan Valley Rail Trail Development and Environmental Plan subject to COC providing evidence of having obtained the remaining funds required for their matching grant contribution

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

MOTION

THAT Council allocates \$10,000 to Commonwealth Oil Corporation (COC) Ltd for the development of the Newnes Junction to Wolgan Valley Rail Trail Development and Environmental Plan subject to COC providing evidence of having obtained the remaining funds required for their matching grant allocation.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

MOTION

THAT Council:

1. allocates \$10,000 to Commonwealth Oil Corporation (COC) Ltd for the development of the Newnes Junction to Wolgan Valley Rail Trail Development and Environmental Plan subject to COC providing evidence of having obtained the remaining funds required for their matching grant allocation.
2. Council contact Skillset and the Green Army to compliment and assist with the proposed works.

MOVED: Councillor P Pilbeam

SECONDED:

Lapsed due to the want for a seconder.

16 – 140 RESOLVED

THAT Council allocates \$10,000 to Commonwealth Oil Corporation (COC) Ltd for the development of the Newnes Junction to Wolgan Valley Rail Trail Development and Environmental Plan subject to COC providing evidence of having obtained the remaining funds required for their matching grant allocation.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor F Inzitari.

BUSINESS OF GREAT URGENCY

In accordance with Clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 business may be transacted at a meeting of Council even though due notice of the business has not been given to the Councillors. However, this can happen only of:

- a) *A motion is passed to have the business transacted at the meeting; and*
- b) *The business proposed to be brought forward is ruled by the Chairperson to be of great urgency.*

Nil

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9:02pm.