



SNOWY MONARO
REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

4 October 2018

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 81 COMMISSIONER STREET, COOMA, NSW 2630
ON THURSDAY 4 OCTOBER 2018

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 81 COMMISSIONER STREET, COOMA, NSW 2630**

**ON THURSDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2018
COMMENCING AT 5.00PM**

PRESENT: Mayor John Rooney
Deputy Mayor Linley Miners
Councillor Peter Beer
Councillor John Castellari
Councillor James Ewart
Councillor Rogan Corbett
Councillor Sue Haslingden
Councillor John Last
Councillor Anne Maslin
Councillor Brian Old *Arrived at 6:35pm*
Councillor Bob Stewart

APOLOGIES: Councillor Sue Haslingden

Staff: Peter Bascomb, Acting General Manager
Suneil Adhikari, Director Operations & Infrastructure
Peter Smith, Director Environment & Sustainability
Peter Cannizzaro, Director Corporate & Community Services
Janine Hudson, Property Officer
Nola Brady, Group Manager Governance
Annie Upton, Manager Corporate Governance

Notes: *The Mayor opened the meeting at 5:05PM, Acting General Manager was absent from the meeting from 5:32pm during Item 8.5 – Discussion of General Manager Selection Panel, returning at 5:45pm at conclusion of 8.5 -Discussion of General Manager Selection Panel, Director Operations & Infrastructure was absent from the meeting from 6:35pm during Item 18 – Questions taken on Notice, returning at 6:39pm during same item, Clr Old joined the meeting at 6:35pm during discussion of Item 18.8 – Questions Taken on Notice, Manager Corporate Governance was absent from the meeting from 6:45pm during Item 18 – Questions taken on Notice, returning at 7:10pm during Item 19 -Confidential Items, Group Manager Governance was absent from the meeting from 6:50pm during Item 18 – Questions taken on Notice, returning at 7:10pm during Item 19 -Confidential Items, At 6:54pm the meeting was closed to the press and public, At 7:28pm the Closed Session ended and the Council Meeting continued in Open Session There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7:28PM.*

The Mayor opened the meeting at 5:05PM

1. APOLOGIES

Note 1: Leave Previously Granted

Councillor Haslingden was absent from this meeting with a leave of absence previously granted at the Ordinary Council Meeting 16 August 2018.

2. CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

Nil.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

(Minutes of Deputations from the Public Gallery are a summary only and do not purport to be a complete transcript of the proceedings.)

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	341/18
That members of the public be granted permission to address Council.	
Moved Councillor Castellari	Seconded Councillor Corbett
	CARRIED

4.1 FIONA CORBY - SPEAKING AGAINST DA10.2018.1222.1 - 11 LOT SUBDIVISION OLD DRY PLAINS ROAD

Fiona Corby, Resident of Towgang Road, addressed Council on her objections to DA10.2018.1222.1 – 11 Lot Subdivision Old Dry Plains Road. Mrs Corby discussed her objections on terms of the size of the lots that are proposed for the subdivision, and the suitability of the road to meet traffic needs for the area. Mrs Corby asked that the DA not be approved in the format that it is currently, and suggested that 10 to 100 acre lots could be placed as opposed to the 2 to 5 acre lots. The impact would therefore not be as high. Mrs Corby believes there has been no clear detail of the road upgrade will be done, and that it needs to be done correctly to withstand impact.

4.2 SIGGY WEIST - SPEAKING AGAINST DA10.2018.1222.1 - 11 LOT SUBDIVISION OLD DRY PLAINS ROAD

Siggy Weist, addressed Council on her objections to DA10.2018.1222.1 – 11 Lot Subdivision Old Dry Plains Road. Mrs Weist expressed similar to concerns to previous speaker regarding the DA, and added that there was a concern with the water, and that some of the proposed lots are on bore water supply. The lots will require septic tanks which will seep into the water table, and that will eventually impact the surrounding area. Mrs Weist expressed that there unless people are familiar with the area, they will not comprehend the current issues with the water and sewer systems. Mrs Weist also advised that apart from a known traffic counter, there has been no further communication regarding the road upgrade for the subdivision.

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

6. MATTERS DEALT WITH BY EXCEPTION

Items by Exception

The Mayor requested that Councillors nominate any items listed in Corporate Business and Confidential Business that they wished to discuss.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

342/18

A. That all items listed in Corporate Business both Open and Confidential be dealt with separately other than the following items which are moved by exception:

9.1: Minutes of the Cemetery Advisory Committee Meeting dated 3 September 2018, and;

13.1: End of Year Closure 2018 / 2019

B. That the Officer's Recommendations in the reports listed above are hereby adopted.

Moved Councillor Ewart

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

7.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 20 SEPTEMBER 2018

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

343/18

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20 September 2018 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved Councillor Stewart

Seconded Councillor Beer

CARRIED

7.2 CLOSED SESSION OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 20 SEPTEMBER 2018

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

344/18

THAT the minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20 September 2018 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved Councillor Corbett

Seconded Councillor Maslin

CARRIED

8. DELEGATE'S REPORT (IF ANY)

8.1 COUNCILLOR CASTELLARI

Attended the Bundian Way Advisory Committee Meeting. It was quite a constructive get together. The Committee is making progress and he will keep attending the meetings. Currently, they are working on trail routes and a lot of work structure of the area.

8.2 COUNCILLOR CORBETT

Last week attended the presentation of Year 7 students regarding the pollution in Cooma Creek – Norris Park. There were some interesting ideas on improvements to the creek and the environment.

8.3 COUNCILLOR EWART

Attended the launch of NRL partnering with the CUC. It was a good day and great to see what opportunities NRL are creating through the CUC for Rural Communities and not have to travel to a city location.

8.4 COUNCILLOR BEER

Attended the Jindabyne Connect last Thursday with a number of Councillors. Was a proactive meeting, and quite enjoyed the trip with Olivia and Nick Elliot to see the development in the area, especially coming from an area with little development. There should be significant growth in the future, and will continue to grow now winter is over. One of the challenges with Summer and Winter that there used to be a rest period between. We need to keep the current facilities / activities to attract people to the area.

8.5 MAYORAL MINUTE - DISCUSSION OF GENERAL MANAGER SELECTION PANEL

The Mayor discussed with Councillors the recruitment process and voted on the interview panel inclusion of the selection of the General Manager for Snowy Monaro Regional Council. One Councillor has withdrawn from the panel, and the Mayor has as received advice from the LGNSW Recruitment Agency that it is okay to proceed with the remainder of the panel as presently constituted as the four (4) Councillors: Clr Miners, Clr Corbett, Clr Maslin and LGNSW Recruitment Agent Christian Morris from LGNSW.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

345/18

That Council accept the recommendation from LGNSW, and that the remaining four (4) Councillors plus Mr Morris, proceed with the interviewing of the shortlisted candidates next week (Tuesday 9 September & Thursday 11 September 2018) with a view to select two (2) or three (3) who we consider to be highly suitable to present to full Council, so full Council can make a final decision.

Moved Councillor Beer

Seconded Deputy Mayor Miners

CARRIED

Note 2: Attendance of Acting General Manager

Acting General Manager was absent from the meeting from 5:32pm during Item 8.5 – Discussion of General Manager Selection Panel, returning at 5:45pm at conclusion of 8.5 -Discussion of General Manager Selection Panel.

8.6 MAYORAL MINUTE – DISCUSSION REGARDING COUNCIL STRUCTURE

The General Manager has brought to attention that a number of inefficiencies, as well as the Directors and Group Managers wanting to make changes to the non-senior level of Staff. This will help in efficiencies within the Organisation.

There have been areas identified that need improvement to improve efficiencies. Once the new General Manager is appointed, Council can then consider a major restructure.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

346/18

That Council authorise the General Manager to make minor changes to staffing levels of non-senior Staff, and bring a report back to Council once completed to inform Councillors of what changes have been made.

Moved Councillor Corbett

Seconded Councillor Maslin

CARRIED

Note 3: Vote Against Committee Recommendation

Clr Last requested that his vote against the committee recommendation 346/18 be recorded in the minutes.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That Council receive and note reports by Mayor and Councillors.

Moved Councillor Castellari

Seconded Councillor Stewart

9. ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES/RECOMMENDATIONS

Business Arising Out Of The Minutes

Proceedings in Brief

A number of issues were raised by the Mayor seeking advice on progress with recommendations of the Committee. These issues did not require further resolutions from Council and were addressed by the General Manager

9.1 MINUTES OF THE CEMETERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING DATED 3 SEPTEMBER 2018

Record No:

Responsible Officer: Director Environment & Sustainability

Author: Group Manager Environmental Management

Attachments: 1. Cemetery Advisory Committee Minutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Cemetery Advisory Committee met on 3 September 2018 in Berridale. The minutes of the meeting are presented for Council's consideration and adoption, including the adoption of the Cemetery Advisory Committee Charter.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

347/18

That the minutes of the meeting of the Cemetery Advisory Committee held on 3 September 2018 be adopted.

Moved Councillor Maslin

Seconded Councillor Last

CARRIED

Note 4: Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 342/18 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

10. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY THEME 1. COMMUNITY

10.1 SNOWY MONARO REGIONAL COUNCIL COMMERCIAL AND NON COMMERCIAL USE OF FOOTWAYS POLICY

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Acting General Manager
Author:	Property Officer
Key Theme:	2. Economy Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	4.1 Attract diverse businesses and industries to the region, supporting their establishment and retention
Delivery Program Objectives:	4.1.1 Council's Regional Economic Development Strategy provides a framework that fosters and grows the Region's diverse businesses
Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Draft SMRC Policy Commercial and Non Commercial Use of Footways2. Draft SMRC Procedure Commercial and Non Commercial Use of Footways
Cost Centre	
Project	
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council's adopted fees and charges do not provide for differential charges for the commercial use of footpaths in Council's various towns and villages. This report therefore proposes that such a differential be established.

It is further recommended that for FY19 that full fees be applied to the Jindabyne township as well as Cooma, and that community consultation be commenced to advise the Jindabyne business community of Council's proposed introduction of fees.

A Draft Policy and its associated Procedure have been developed to provide a consistent approach for all businesses within Snowy Monaro Regional Council.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

348/18

That Council defer Item 10.1 - Snowy Monaro Regional Council Commercial and Non Commercial Use of Footways Policy to a later date.

Moved Councillor Beer

Seconded Councillor Maslin

CARRIED

11. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY THEME 2. ECONOMY

11.1 SNOWY MONARO DESTINATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Environment & Sustainability
Author:	Manager Tourism & Events
Key Theme:	2. Economy Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	6.1 The Snowy Monaro region is a destination that offers a variety of quintessential year – round experiences, attractions and events
Delivery Program Objectives:	6.1.3 Council facilitates and supports and promotes events to highlight the attributes of our towns and villages
Attachments:	Nil
Cost Centre	7030
Project	Destination Management Plan
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides an update on the development of the Snowy Monaro Regional Destination Management Plan (DMP).

The SMRC Economic Development & Tourism Department recently invited quotations for provision of services to develop the Snowy Monaro Regional Destination Management Plan (DMP). TRC Tourism was selected through that process. TRC Tourism is a leading international tourism, recreation and conservation consulting business based in Jindabyne.

The development of a Snowy Monaro Regional DMP will be the second phase in Council’s process for progressing tourism within the organisation. The recently adopted ‘SMRC Tourism Governance Strategy’ developed by the University of Canberra outlines the suggested method for Council to resource the tourism unit and effectively deliver tourism services to the region. Whilst the DMP will be developed to identify and inform strategic directions and themes that will encourage growth of the region’ visitor economy.

The following officer’s recommendation is submitted for Council’s consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

349/18

That Council

- A. Receive and note this report;
- B. The impact of the AirBnB in accommodation be included as well as the impact of the National Parks and Wild life Services and the resorts in the National Park; and,
- C. Include Merimbula Airport in this document.

Moved Councillor Castellari

Seconded Councillor Corbett

CARRIED

Note 5: Amendment to Original Motion

The above recommendation was an amendment to the original motion. The amendment on being put to the vote was carried and became the substantive motion.

The original motion Moved: Clr Castellari, Seconded: Clr Corbett was:

“That Council receive and Note this report”.

Note 6: Vote Against Committee Recommendation

Clr Beer requested that his vote against the committee recommendation 349/18 be recorded in the minutes.

12. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY THEME 3. ENVIRONMENT

12.2 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER PRICING AND BILLING POLICY

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Operations & Infrastructure
Author:	Group Manager Water & Wastewater Services
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	7.2 Water, waste, sewer and stormwater management practices are contemporary and efficient
Delivery Program Objectives:	7.2.1 Water and sewer management services and operations meet legislative and quality requirements
Attachments:	1. Draft Amended Water Pricing and Billing Policy (with track changes)
Cost Centre	2010 – Water Management
Project	N/A
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Some discrepancies have been identified in the adopted water pricing and billing policy which requires clarification and review. The issues relating to them are summarised below:

1. Council resolutions relating to: Clause 2.9 of the policy

Clause 2.9“Water loss due to circumstances beyond owner’s control” of the water pricing and billing policy as follows:

- **Resolution 303/17 of 14 December 2017** – While adopting a policy direction on “water loss beyond owners control”, the resolution states that the refund will apply to **all residential users** and does not state that the adjustments will be done on a **“once only basis”**. This was a policy direction only in the absence of harmonised SMRC water and sewer pricing.
- **Resolution 217/18 of 7 June 2018 (dot points 3 and 5)** – While adopting the SMRC water and sewer pricing and billing policies and making it available on Councils website (dot points 3 and 5) the policy proposed at that period had clause 2.9 stating that the refund will apply to **pensioners and patients on dialysis machines ONLY** and states that the adjustments will be done on a “once only basis”.

NOTE:

The adopted policy also does not state that resolution **303/17 will be superseded by resolution 217/18** and this needs to be clarified with Councils intent on how the refund will apply.

2. Non-residential property Fire Meters –

The following resolution 217/18 dot point 3 parts (a) and (b) relating to fire meters has been inadvertently missed in the adopted policy of 7 June 2018

- a. No access charges shall apply to water meter connections required as fire meters for non-

residential properties

- b. These meters must be dedicated for firefighting purposes only and should not have any consumption. If any consumption is noted, the customer shall be informed that the access charge will apply if it is used for any other purpose.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

350/18

That Council approve the draft amended water pricing and billing policy with the following amendments to be exhibited for public exhibition for a period of 28 days:

A. Clause 2.9 – Water Loss due to circumstances beyond owner's control:

1. Remove the following from Clause 2.9 of the water pricing and billing policy:

"The above mentioned refund will be applicable to pensioners and patients on dialysis machines ONLY" All other customers to be responsible for any leaks on the consumer side of the meter"

2. Replace with the following:

"The above mentioned refund will be applicable to RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS ONLY"

3. Leave clause 2.9 c) "Such adjustments will be on a "once only" basis"

B. Add the following approved by Council resolution 217/18 but inadvertently left out of the policy.

Add Clause 2.1.3 Non-residential Property – Fire Meters

- a) No access charges shall apply to water meter connections required as **Fire meters** for non-residential properties
- b) These meters must be dedicated for firefighting purposes only and should not have any consumption. If any consumption is noted, the customer shall be informed that the access charge will apply if it is used for any other purpose

Moved Councillor Castellari

Seconded Councillor Ewart

CARRIED

12.1 DA10.2018.1222.1 - 11 LOT SUBDIVISION OLD DRY PLAINS RD

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Environment & Sustainability
Author:	Urban and Rural Planner
Key Theme:	3. Environment Outcomes
CSP Community Strategy:	8.1 Plan for rural, urban and industrial development that is sensitive to the region's natural environment and heritage
Delivery Program Objectives:	8.1.2 Land use is optimised to meet the social, environment and economic needs of the region
Attachments:	1. Draft Notice of Determination and Conditions of Consent 2. Plan Set 3. 79C Assessment 4. Submissions - Redacted Letters

Further Operational Plan Actions:

Applicant Number:	10.2018.1222.1
Applicant:	Cavallo Projects Pty Ltd
Owner:	Colin Tozer
DA Registered:	06/04/2018
Property Description:	Old Dry Plains Road COOMA 2630 - Lot: 156 DP: 750524, Lot: 213 DP: 750524, Lot: 141 DP: 750524 and Lot: 188 DP: 750524.
Property Number:	11102, 11095, 11094, 11103
Area:	Cooma
Zone:	R5 – Large Lot Residential
Current Use:	Residential and Vacant Land
Proposed Use:	Residential
Permitted in Zone:	Residential
Recommendation:	Approved

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an 11 lot subdivision under Clause 4.1B of the *Cooma Monaro Local Environmental Plan 2013* (LEP) for subdivision using average lot sizes.

The proposal is permissible through the provisions of the LEP, and is deemed suitable for the subject site.

The application was required to be determined at a Council meeting in accordance with the policy adopted by Council in February 2018, due to the number of submissions received prior to the DA being revised.

It is recommended that the development application be approved with appropriate conditions of consent.

If Council decides to make a determination other than as included in the recommendation, it must follow the procedure adopted through resolution 18/18 on 15 February 2018.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

351/18

That Council:

- A. Pursuant to section 4.16 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended)* it is recommended that DA 10.2018.1222 for an 11 Lot Subdivision of Lot: 156 DP: 750524, Lot: 213 DP: 750524, Lot: 141 DP: 750524 and Lot: 188 DP: 750524 Old Dry Plains Road COOMA 2630, be approved subject to the conditions attached; and
- B. Any person who made a submission is notified according to the regulations.

Moved Councillor Beer

Seconded Councillor Last

CARRIED

Record of Voting

Councillors For: Councillor Beer, Councillor Corbett, Councillor Ewart, Councillor Last, Deputy Mayor Miners, Mayor Rooney and Councillor Stewart.

Councillors Against: Councillor Castellari and Councillor Maslin.

13. CORPORATE BUSINESS - KEY THEME 4. LEADERSHIP

13.1 END OF YEAR CLOSURE 2018/2019

Record No:

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Author:	Group Manager People & Culture
Key Direction:	7. Providing Effective Civic Leadership and Citizen Participation
Delivery Plan Strategy:	DP7.9 Provide a work place that ensures the health, safety and wellbeing of employees is maintained through the management of potential risks
Operational Plan Action:	OP7.27 Develop and implement WHS policies, procedures and resources for managers and workers.
Attachments:	1. End of Year Closure 2018/2019
Cost Centre	0610 People and Culture
Project	
Further Operational Plan Actions:	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides information regarding the proposed end of year shut down period. This report has been endorsed by the Executive Leadership Team.

The following officer's recommendation is submitted for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

352/18

That Council approve:

- A. The closure of council offices, facilities and work sites from 12 noon on Friday, 21 December 2018 in order to hold the staff end of year function (as per attached table).
- B. The closure of council offices, facilities and work sites from Monday, 24 December 2018 to Monday, 31 December 2018 both days inclusive (as per attached table).
- C. The re-opening of council offices, facilities and work sites on Wednesday, 2 January 2019 (as per attached table).

Moved Councillor Maslin

Seconded Councillor Last

CARRIED

Note 7: Motions Without Debate

The above officer's recommendation became a resolution of Council as a result of resolution 342/18 above as there was no challenge by Councillors.

14. REPORTS BY GENERAL MANAGER

Nil

15. NOTICE OF MOTION

15.1 CLR CASTELLARI NOTICE OF MOTION - ROOFTOP SOLAR RECORD NO:

Responsible Officer:	Acting General Manager
Author:	Councillor John Castellari
Attachments:	1. Rooftop Solar Proposal
	2. FAQ - Solar Saver
	3. Clr Castellari Notice of Motion - Rooftop Solar

Councillor John Castellari has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 4 October 2018, he will move the following motion.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

353/18

That Council

- A. Support the Albury City Council motion regarding legislative changes to enable the implementation of a program similar to that implemented by Darebin City Council in Victoria;
- B. Advocate for the legislative changes to local members and relevant Ministers;
- C. Carry out due diligence with a business case which includes funding options, power under current legislation that would provide solar subsidy schemes for residence and businesses within the SMRC council area; and
- D. Provide for public consultation process once the above has been carried out.

Moved Councillor Castellari

Seconded Councillor Ewart

CARRIED

Note 8: Amendment to Original Motion

The above recommendation was an amendment to the original motion. The amendment on being put to the vote was carried and became the substantive motion.

The original motion Moved: Clr Castellari, Seconded: Clr Last was:

“That Council:

- A. *Support the Albury City Council motion regarding legislative changes to enable the implementation of a program similar to that implemented by Darebin City Council in Victoria;*
- B. *Advocate for the legislative changes to local members and relevant Ministers;*
- C. *Explore other funding options available under current legislation that would support Snowy Monaro Regional Council to provide a solar rooftop subsidy scheme for residents and businesses in our region. “*

Note 9: Vote Against Committee Recommendation

Clr Last requested that his vote against the committee recommendation 353/18 be recorded in the minutes.

16. MOTIONS OF URGENCY

Nil

17. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

18. QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

18.1 COUNCILLOR LAST - LITCHFIELD FAMILY CLOCK

Question: Some considerable time ago the Litchfield family donated a clock to the town. What has happened about this clock?

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.2 COUNCILLOR LAST - SHARP STREET WORKS

Question: I was assured at a previous meeting that all work on the corners of Sharp Street would be completed by the Queen's Birthday Weekend.

This has not happened. In fact it is the end of September and work is still in progress.

When will the work be completed? What is the cost of the work? Is it on a budget and at what cost?

Has any consultation been given to the disruption caused to the business owners?

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.3 COUNCILLOR LAST - ALCOHOL PROHIBITED AREAS

Question: Some time ago at a meeting Council resolved to put in place areas where consumption of alcohol is prohibited. The time specified was 8 June 2018 to 1st October 2018.

I noticed the signs were being erected on 20/9/2018 – about 10 days before the expiration of the signs.

How much did the signs cost and how much did they cost to put in place?

Why were they put up so close to the expiration point and what purpose do they serve?

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.4 COUNCILLOR LAST - QUALIFICATIONS & DUTIES OF SENIOR STAFF

Question: Kindly supply a list of the Directors and Managers showing their duties and qualifications.

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.5 COUNCILLOR LAST - COUNCIL CONTRACTS FOR WORKS

Question: Why is it that a lot of the work to be done by Council is contracted out and consultants are engaged? Does this not increase the cost of the projects greatly and why haven't we got qualified people to do these projects?

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.6 COUNCILLOR LAST - NIJONG OVAL TREES

Question: The playground at Nijong Oval is contained within an area of poplars on three sides.

Is there a safer place for a playground bearing in mind the shallow roots of poplars and previous

incidents in town of poplars falling on fences?

Also won't these trees filter out the sun?

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.7 COUNCILLOR LAST - COOMA CREEKS

Question: Why is it that Council does not avail itself of the labour at the prison?

I have made requests for some action before and have received lame excuses.

The creeks flowing through Cooma are overgrown and unsightly. Will the General Manager in conjunction with the prison arrange for the prisoners to do work on the creeks and bring them into park like appearance?

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.8 COUNCILLOR MINERS - SPILL CONTAINMENT WORKS

Question: From a previous question, an update to be provided on the status of the Spill Containment Works that haven't been completed at the Service station on the Tumut end of Adaminaby.

Answer: Taken on Notice.

18.9 COUNCILLOR MASLIN - OPENING OF PLAYGROUND AT NIJONG AND BOMBALA

Question: Given that the school holidays have already begun, many citizens young and old, are waiting for the new playgrounds at Nijong Oval Cooma and in Bombala to open.

A young constituent from Bombala has sent a letter requesting that the Bombala All Abilities park be opened as soon as possible. She points out that there is little to do during the holidays in Bombala, and there is much anticipation to use the brand new equipment.

Answer: Taken on Notice.

Note 10: Attendance of Director Operations & Infrastructure

Director Operations & Infrastructure was absent from the meeting from 6:35pm during Item 18 – Questions taken on Notice, returning at 6:39pm during same item.

Note 11: Attendance of Councillor

Clr Old joined the meeting at 6:35pm during discussion of Item 18.8 – Questions Taken on Notice.

Note 12: Attendance of Manager Corporate Governance

Manager Corporate Governance was absent from the meeting from 6:45pm during Item 18 – Questions taken on Notice, returning at 7:10pm during Item 19 -Confidential Items.

Note 13: Attendance of Group Manager Governance

Group Manager Governance was absent from the meeting from 6:50pm during Item 18 – Questions taken on Notice, returning at 7:10pm during Item 19 -Confidential Items.

Note 14: Confidential Session of Council

At 6:54pm the meeting was closed to the press and public.

19. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

19.1 GENERAL MANAGER -DISCUSSION OF A LEGAL MATTER

As per conversation in the Council Meeting Briefing Session held prior to the Council Meeting on 4 October 2018, the General Manager proposed the below motion to be discussed in Confidential Session:

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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That Council

- A. Authorises the GM to seek legal opinion from Senior Legal Counsel; and
- B. The GM bring a report back to an Extraordinary Council meeting after receiving advice from the legal counsel at the earliest possible time.

Moved Councillor Castellari

Seconded Councillor Last

CARRIED

Note 15: Resumption of Open Council Meeting

At 7:28pm the Closed Session ended and the Council Meeting continued in Open Session.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7:28PM.



CHAIRPERSON

The above minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of Snowy Monaro Regional Council held on 4 October 2018 were confirmed by Council at a duly convened meeting on 18 October 2018 at which meeting the signature hereon was subscribed.