



MINUTES

Council Meeting

6.00pm Tuesday 23 June 2020

VENUE:
Golden Plains Civic Centre
Council Chambers
2 Pope Street, Bannockburn

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING
6.00pm Tuesday 28 July 2020

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**MINUTES OF GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE GOLDEN PLAINS CIVIC CENTRE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2 POPE STREET,
BANNOCKBURN
ON TUESDAY, 23 JUNE 2020 AT 6.00PM**

PRESENT: Cr Helena Kirby, Cr David Evans, Cr Joanne Gilbert, Cr Nathan Hansford, Cr Des Phelan, Cr Les Rowe, Cr Owen Sharkey (Mayor)

IN ATTENDANCE: Eric Braslis (CEO), Phil Josipovic (Director Infrastructure and Development), Philippa O'Sullivan (Director Corporate Services), Lisa Letic (Director Community Services)

1 OPENING DECLARATION

We the Councillors of Golden Plains Shire declare that we will undertake, on every occasion, to carry out our duties in the best interest of the community and that our conduct shall maintain the standards of the code of good governance so that we may faithfully represent and uphold the trust placed in this Council by the people of Golden Plains Shire

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Council acknowledge the traditional Wadawurrung owners of the land where we meet today. Council pays its respects to Wadawurrung Elders both past and present and extends that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People who are part of Golden Plains Shire.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford
Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 May 2020 and the Special Council Meeting held on 9 June 2020 be confirmed.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

7 BUSINESS REPORTS FOR DECISION

7.1 ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To present Council with written records of Assembly of Councillors in accordance with section 80A of the Local Government Act 1989 from 27 May 2020 to 22 June 2020.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Helena Kirby

That Council notes the Assembly of Councillors Record from 27 May 2020 to 22 June 2020 as attached.

.CARRIED

7.2 DELEGATES REPORT - 26 MAY 2020 TO 22 JUNE 2020**Cr Owen Sharkey**

26 May Council Meeting
27 May Berrybank Wind Farm virtual meeting
29 May G21 Board virtual meeting
29 May PUGRC Economic Development debrief virtual meeting
1 June PUGRC Economic Development virtual meeting
3 June Local Government Victoria virtual meeting
5 June CHCV Mayor/CEO virtual meeting
9 June Council Meeting
11 June G21 Economic Development Pillar virtual meeting
15 June Tourism Greater Geelong and The Bellarine virtual Board meeting
15 June Virtual meeting with Michaela Settle MP
16 June Councillor Briefing meeting
18 June Meeting with Christine Morgan, CEO of the National Mental Health Commission and Suicide Prevention

Cr David Evans

26 May Council Meeting
5 June Rural and Peri Urban Advisory Committee virtual meeting
9 June Council Meeting
16 June Councillor Briefing meeting

Cr Les Rowe

26 May Council Meeting
9 June Council Meeting
16 June Councillor Briefing meeting

Cr Helena Kirby

26 May Council Meeting
28 May Disability Access and Inclusion Committee virtual meeting
9 June Council Meeting
16 June Councillor Briefing meeting

Cr Nathan Hansford

26 May Council Meeting
1 June G21 Sport and Recreation Pillar virtual meeting
3 June G21 Education and Training Pillar virtual meeting
5 June MAV Board Meeting
9 June Council Meeting
16 June Councillor Briefing meeting

Cr Des Phelan

26 May Council Meeting
9 June Council Meeting

Cr Joanne Gilbert

26 May Council Meeting
28 June Committee of Ballarat virtual meeting
9 June Council Meeting
16 June Councillor Briefing meeting (attended virtually)

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans
Seconded: Cr Des Phelan

That Council receive and note the Delegates Report – 26 May 2020 to 22 June 2020.

CARRIED

7.3 ADOPTION OF 2020-21 GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL BUDGET

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks to formally adopt the 2020-21 Budget, incorporating the 2020-21 rating fees and charges pursuant to Section 127 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

The 2020-21 Draft Budget has been prepared based on the adopted principles within the 2017-2021 Council Plan and Strategic Resource Plan within the framework of a 2.0% rate increase cap mandated by the State Government.

After making the document available for public inspection and inviting submissions under Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council received a total of 9 submissions, addressing a total of 14 issues. A Special Meeting of Council was held on Tuesday 9 June 2020 to hear from 4 submitters who requested to address Council in support of their submission.

Amendments to the budget include the following:

- Reduction of the annual garbage charge from \$340 to \$335
- Confirmed grant funding of \$1.3m included for local roads and infrastructure capital projects
- Additional \$100k Financial Assistance Grant allocated for the general purpose grants
- Increase in MAV membership of \$3k
- Confirmed Working for Victoria grant funding of \$1.1m to provide employment to local residents impacted by COVID-19
- Rate calculations updated with Stage 4 valuation data
- Inclusion of the budget submission for the provision of water supply to Maude Recreation Reserve's toilets at a cost of \$15,500.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

1. Note the verbal and written submissions received and considered at 9 June 2020 Special Council Meeting.
2. Note the declaration of rates included in the 2020-21 budget.
3. Resolve to adopt the 2020-21 budget for the purpose of Section 127 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.
4. Accept the budget submission for the provision of water supply to Maude Recreation Reserve's toilets at a cost of \$15,500 as part of the 2020-21 budget.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Joanne Gilbert

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council

1. Note the verbal and written submissions received and considered at 9 June 2020 Special Council Meeting.
2. Accept the budget submission for the provision of water supply to Maude Recreation Reserve's toilets at a cost of \$15,500.
3. Allocates \$100,000 towards the COVID-19 Hardship Policy to further assist ratepayers financially affected by COVID-19
4. Note the declaration of rates included in the 2020-21 budget.
5. Resolve to adopt the 2020-21 budget for the purpose of Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Helena Kirby

That a 6th item is added to reduce the rate increase to 0%.

LOST

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Joanne Gilbert

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council

1. Note the verbal and written submissions received and considered at 9 June 2020 Special Council Meeting.
2. Accept the budget submission for the provision of water supply to Maude Recreation Reserve's toilets at a cost of \$15,500.
3. Allocates \$100,000 towards the COVID-19 Hardship Policy to further assist ratepayers financially affected by COVID-19
4. Note the declaration of rates included in the 2020-21 budget.
5. Resolve to adopt the 2020-21 budget for the purpose of Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989.

Cr Joanne Gilbert called for a division.

In Favour: Crs Joanne Gilbert, Nathan Hansford, Des Phelan, Les Rowe and Owen Sharkey

Against: Crs Helena Kirby and David Evans

CARRIED 5/2

7.4 FINAL DRAFT WASTE STRATEGY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The final version of Golden Plains Shire Council's Draft Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy has been prepared following Councillor and community engagement. This report seeks Council to endorse releasing the draft strategy for community feedback.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Joanne Gilbert

Seconded: Cr Des Phelan

That Council endorse the draft Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy for public exhibition.

CARRIED

7.5 P19-256 46 SQUIRES ROAD, TEESDALE (3 LOT SUBDIVISION)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report relates to a planning permit application for the development of land for the purposes of a three lot subdivision at 46 Squires Road, Teesdale. The application has been referred to the Council Meeting for determination because there are objections to the application. The report provides a background to the application and a summary of the relevant planning considerations. The Councillors have been provided with a full copy of the application and objections for consideration prior to making a decision.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

That Council resolves to issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit for a three lot subdivision at 46 Squires Road, Teesdale subject to the conditions attached to this report.

CARRIED

7.6 ACTIVATE 2020-2030 REGIONAL SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION STRATEGY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Activate 2020–2030 (Attachment 1) is a 10-year regional strategy enabling a coordinated and collaborative approach aimed at increasing participation in sport and active recreation for liveability, health and wellbeing of the Central Highlands and Grampians Pyrenees region.

The intent of Activate 2020–2030 is to provide an overarching regional framework to partner Council's municipal strategies and other partner organisations plans and services to align efforts and to maximise outcomes. It has been developed using a place-based and outcomes-based approach and the vision is:

'Central Highlands and Grampians Pyrenees communities are the most active, healthy and liveable in Victoria.'

Activate 2020–2030 includes:

- Nine (9) principles that provide a foundation for a way of working to achieve the vision
- Identification of four (4) strategic priorities to provide a focused effort to achieve outcomes
- Local level indicators that can be used to measure outcomes annually
- A regional approach to the development of a network of community sport and active recreation infrastructure
- Implementation and annual review of the plan
- A plan on a page concisely capturing the important components of the approach and outcomes (see Attachment 2)
- A 10-year action plan outlining a number of actions aligned to the strategic priorities.

The plan on a page (Attachment 2) captures the important components of the outcomes-based approach including who has a role to play, indicators of success and what the partners are going to go (strategic actions).

The actions in the regional strategy are not developed to be in addition to what Councils are already doing. The principals and actions of this Regional Strategy align with Council's Draft Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2020-2030. The infrastructure projects listed in the regional strategy are captured in Council's current priority project booklet for Sport and Active Recreation projects and can be updated annually as priorities change or projects are completed.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Joanne Gilbert

Seconded: Cr Nathan Hansford

That Council note and endorse the Central Highlands and Grampians Pyrenees Regional Sport and Active Recreation Strategy – 'Activate 2020-2030'.

CARRIED

7.7 DRAFT SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION STRATEGY 2020-2030

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has partnered with Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV) to fund the development of a new Sport and Active Recreation Strategy to inform strategic planning, development and delivery of sport and active recreation infrastructure, programming and services for the period 2020–2030.

The Draft Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2020-2030 aligns with regional sport and active recreation (G21 and Central Highlands/Grampians Pyrenees) and state level strategies, has been developed following extensive community consultation and is recommended for release for public exhibition for a period of four weeks. Following review and consideration of submissions, a final strategy will be presented to Council for adoption in August 2020.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Joanne Gilbert

That Council endorse the release of the Draft Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2020-2030 for public exhibition for a period of four weeks.

CARRIED

7.8 REVIEW AND AMEND LOCAL LAW NO.2 - GENERAL PUBLIC AMENITY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to inform Council and seek approval to review and amend or replace Council's Local Law No. 2 – General Public Amenity.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr David Evans

That Council commence proceedings to review and amend or replace Local Law No.2 – General Public Amenity.

CARRIED

7.9 UPDATE ON COUNCILLOR CONVERSATION POST PROGRAM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The scheduled Councillor Conversation Posts for 2020 were not held due to the Victorian Government's COVID-19 pandemic restrictions and no further posts are scheduled. As the Local Government Election approaches, it is recommended that Council acknowledge the success of the program during the current Council term and encourage the continuation of the program during the next Council term.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Joanne Gilbert

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the success of the Councillor Conversation Post program during the current Council term, 2016-2020.
2. Acknowledge that the Councillor Conversation Posts planned for April, May and June 2020 were unable to proceed due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.
3. Encourage the continuation of the Councillor Conversation Post program during the next Council term, 2020-2024.

CARRIED

7.10 COMMUNITY SATISFACTION SURVEY 2020 - REPORT FINDINGS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year the Local Government Victoria (LGV) coordinates a State-wide Local Government Community Satisfaction Survey (Survey) throughout Victorian local government areas. JWS Research conducted the survey on behalf of Council again in 2020.

The Survey was conducted over a period from 1 February to 30 March 2020, and for this year's survey, Councillors requested an additional geographic region to be included. In the 2020 survey, the three geographical regions that were surveyed were: North-West, Central and South-East. A map showing the boundaries is attached to this report in Appendix 1. Previously the geographical regions were North and South.

In summary, perceptions of Council's overall performance is unchanged from 2019. Performance perceptions on almost all service areas evaluated have either remained steady or varied up or down by no more than one or two index points. Sealed local roads is the exception, where performance perceptions experienced a statistically significant decline in ratings this year.

On overall performance in all service areas evaluated, Golden Plains Shire Council's rated significantly lower than both the Large Rural councils and State-wide average. However following significant declines in 2019, Council has prevented ratings on lobbying, community decisions and unsealed roads from falling further.

The full report provides key findings and recommendations on areas for improvement for Council.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr Des Phelan

That Council receive the 2020 Community Satisfaction Survey reports for Golden Plains Shire.

CARRIED

7.11 GPSC-RFT-06-2020- PANEL OF SUPPLIERS GENERAL MAINTENANCE SERVICES**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A tender was advertised for a panel of suppliers for General Maintenance Services. Twelve (12) tenders were received and this report seeks to appoint 4 contractors to the General Maintenance Services Panel for an initial term of 2 years with a 1 year option at Council's discretion. The four recommended contractors have been assessed as providing best value for money to Council.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nathan Hansford

Seconded: Cr David Evans

That Council:

1. Resolves to award the Contract RFT-06-2020 Panel of Suppliers- General Maintenance Services to;
 - Mr T AtWork
 - Burkhan Pty Ltd
 - Zantagra
 - Maintenance Plus Xtra
2. Resolves to award this contract for the initial Contract term Two (2) Years and One (1) Year at Council's Discretion in line with the Chief Executive Officer's Instrument of Delegation.
3. Notes that the total estimated cost of the General Maintenance Services across all panel of suppliers is \$550,000 over the life of the contract plus extension.

CARRIED

7.12 GPSC-07-2020 - PANEL OF SUPPLIERS - PLUMBING MAINTENANCE SERVICES**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A tender was advertised for a panel of suppliers for Plumbing Maintenance Services. Nine (9) tenders were received and this report seeks to appoint 4 contractors to the Plumbing Maintenance Services Panel for an initial term of 2 years with a 1 year option at Council's discretion. The four recommended contractors have been assessed as providing best value for money to Council.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr David Evans

Seconded: Cr Les Rowe

That Council:

1. Resolves to award the Contract RFT-07-2020 Panel of Suppliers- Plumbing Maintenance Services to;
 - Plumbing Logistics Pty Ltd
 - Complete Plumbing and Construction Concepts
 - Total Plumbing Solutions
 - Paul Norton Plumbing
2. Resolves to award this contract for the initial Contract term Two (2) Years and One (1) Year at Council's Discretion in line with the Chief Executive Officer's Instrument of Delegation.
3. Notes that the total estimated cost of the General Maintenance Services across all panel of suppliers is \$550,000 over the life of the contract plus extension.

CARRIED

8 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

9 PETITIONS

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FOR DECISION

Nil

The Meeting closed at 7.54pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 28 July 2020.

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CHAIRPERSON