

Central Highlands Council

MINUTES - ORDINARY MEETING - 7TH DECEMBER 2015

Draft Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council held at Bothwell Council Chambers, on Tuesday 7th December 2015, commencing at 9am.

1.0 OPENING

Mayor D E Flint opened the meeting at 9.00am

2.0 PRESENT

Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt & Mrs Lyn Eyles (General Manager)

3.0 APOLOGIES

Moved CIr L M Triffitt

Seconded CIr E M McRae

THAT a leave of absence be accepted for Clr A W Bailey & an apology be received for Clr R L Cassidy.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

4.0 PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

In accordance with Regulation 8 (7) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the Mayor requests Councillors to indicate whether they or a close associate have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary or pecuniary detriment) in any item of the Agenda.

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

5.0 COMMITTEE

Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) regulations 2005 provides that Council may consider certain sensitive matters in Closed Agenda which relate to:

- Personnel matters, including complaints against an employee of the Council;
- Industrial matters relating to a person;
- Contracts for the supply and purchase of goods and services;
- The security of property of the Council
- Proposals for the Council to acquire land or an interest in the land or for the disposal of land;
- Information provided to the Council on the condition it is kept confidential;
- Trade secrets of private bodies;

- Matters relating to actual or possible litigations taken by or involving the Council or an employee of the Council;
- Applications by Councillors for leave of absence;
- The personal affairs of any person.

The decision to move in Closed Council requires an absolute majority of Council.

5.1 MOTION INTO CLOSED MEETING

Moved CIr E J Evans

Seconded CIr R G Bowden

THAT pursuant to Regulation 15 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Council close the meeting to the public.

MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED MEETING

- 1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes of Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 20 October 2015 Regulation 15 (2) (g)
- 2 Personnel Matters Regulation 15 (2) (a)
- 3 Tenders Regulation 15 (4) (b)
- 4 Leave of Absence Regulation 15 (2) (d)
- 5 Confidential Matter regulation 15 (2) (g)

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

5.2 MOTION OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

Moved CIr L M Triffitt

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT Council move out of Committee and resume the Ordinary Meeting.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

Mayor D E Flint opened the Meeting to the public at 10.00am

6.0 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Casey Bryant (Minute Secretary)

6.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

7.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

17th November 2015 Council Meeting at Hamilton

19th November 2015 Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority Annual General Meeting in Hobart

22nd November 2015 Highlands Bushfest

5th December 2015 Country Women's Association – Bothwell Branch Christmas Function

6th December 2015 Ouse and Highlands Regional Children's Christmas Party held Ouse Country

Club

7th December 2015 Waste Committee Meeting

7.1 COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS

Deputy Mayor A J Downie

21st & 22nd November 2015 Highlands Bushfest

23rd November 2015 STCA Statewide Planning Scheme briefing – Hobart

28th November 2015 SHPA AGM - Bronte 30th November 2015 Glenora presentation

1st December 2015 STCA waste terms of reference

2nd December 2015 Planning Scheme Public Consultations - Miena and Bothwell

3rd December 2015 SWSA AGM - Glenorchy

Planning Public Consulation - Hamilton

CIr L M Triffitt

17th November 2015 Council Meeting – Hamilton

21st November 2015 Highlands Bushfest

3rd December 2015 Tourism Meeting - Hamilton

7.2 GENERAL MANAGER COMMITMENTS

17th November 2015 Council Meeting

21st & 22nd November 2015 Highlands Bushfest

26th November 2015 Meeting with Insurance Brokers

27th November 2015 Meeting MEGT
30th November 2015 Meeting LINC
1st December 2015 Meeting TasWater

3rd December 2015 Tourism Committee Meeting

8.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

Nil

8.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

Nil

9.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

10.0 MINUTES

10.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved CIr E J Evans

Seconded CIr L M Triffitt

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 17th November 2015 be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

10.2 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved Clr J R Allwright

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 17th November 2015 be confirmed.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

10.3 RECEIVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES BOTHWELL SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE

Moved CIr E M McRae

Seconded Clr A J Downie

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Swimming Pool Committee Meeting of Council held on Monday 23rd November 2015 be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

11.0 BUSINESS ARISING

12.0 NRM REPORT

Moved Clr J R Allwright

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT the NRM Report be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

13.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved CIr L M Triffitt

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT the Finance Report be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

14.0 DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

In accordance with Regulation 25(1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005, the Mayor advises that the Council intends to act as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, to deal with the following items:

Moved CIr L M Triffitt

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT the Development & Environmental Services Report be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

14.1 DRAFT BUILDING BILL AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING AMENDMENT BILL

Moved Clr A J Downie

Seconded CIr J R Allwright

THAT all comments on the Draft Building Bill and Occupational Licensing Amendment Bill be forwarded to the Manager Development and Environmental Services by **27 January 2016**.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

14.2 DES BRIEFING REPORT

Noted

Moved Clr A J Downie

Seconded CIr J R Allwright

THAT if the Chief Planner has any urgent matters relating to the Draft Interim Planning Scheme that he liaise with the Chair of the Planning Committee; and the Chair to refer to the Planning Committee if necessary.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

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Moved CIr L M Triffitt

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

15.1 WORKS AND SERVICES REPORT

Noted

15.2 ROAD KILL ON HOLLOW TREE ROAD

Noted

Jason Branch (Works Manager) attended the meeting at 10.10am

15.3 BOTHWELL TENNIS COURT

Moved CIr E M McRae

Seconded CIr L M Triffitt

THAT Council defer the upgrade of the Bothwell Tennis Court and apply for grants for the funding of instillation of a court at the Bothwell Recreation Ground.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

15.4 STATUS REPORT

Noted

Jason Branch left the meeting at 10.21am

16.0 ADMINISTRATION

16.1 ELECTED MEMBERS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEEKEND

Noted

16.2 CATERING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Moved Clr A J Downie

Seconded Clr L M Triffitt

THAT Jackson's Emporium be offered the catering of Hamilton Council Meetings and the Lions Club be offered catering of Bothwell Council Meetings.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

16.3 REMISSION UNDER DELEGATION

Noted

16.4 HIGHLANDS BUSHFEST

Moved CIr E J Evans

Seconded CIr L M Triffitt

That:

- (a) Council holds Highlands Bushfest in 2016 on 19 & 20 November 2016 and staff be authorised to begin planning;
- (b) That Council budget to provide 4 extra boxes of six power outlets at the Bothwell Recreation Ground, and that they be installed in time for Highlands Bushfest 2016;
- (c) That Council makes an allocation of funds similar to the amount allocated this year in the 2016 / 2017 budget for Bushfest;
- (d) That Nick Duigan and Andrew Hart be asked back as MC's for Highlands Bushfest 2016; and
- (e) That the trout carved by Eddie Freeman be displayed in the new Visitor centre at Bothwell.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

16.5 AUSTRALIA DAY EVENT

It was resolved that the Australia Day Event be held at the Hamilton Hall from 10.00am - 11.30am with a morning tea.

Staff will organise catering and invite the recipients of the Australia Day Awards and Tidy Towns Awards to the morning tea.

Deputy Mayor A J Downie declared an interest and sat back from the table

16.6 SPONSORSHIP OF HAMILTON SHOW

Moved CIr L M Triffitt

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT Council forward a cheque for \$1,000 as sponsorship for the Hamilton Show Committee.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

16.7 DRAFT TASMANIAN FREIGHT STRATEGY

The Mayor has a meeting scheduled with Alan Garcia, CEO Infrastructure Tasmania and the Minister for Infrastructure, Rene Hidding at Hamilton on 27 January 2016 and this will provide an ideal opportunity to pass on Council's comments.

16.8 POLICE PADDOCK BOTHWELL (VACANT COUNCIL PADDOCK – NEAR POLICE STATION)

It was **resolved** that Mr Tony Johnston be allowed continual use of Council's vacant paddock providing he maintains fencing.

16.9 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AUDIT PANELS) AMENDMENT ORDER 2015

Noted

16.10 DERWENT BRIDGE AMENITIES

Noted

16.11 CLOSING OF HAMILTON POLLING BOOTH

Moved Clr A J Downie

Seconded CIr L M Triffitt

THAT the Mayor write to the Electoral Commissioner regarding who they consulted with as far as Council's enquiries go no-one seems to have been consulted at all.

The Central Highlands being a remote and rural area the distances are in excess of the 20km recommended. Our older residents prefer physically going to the polling booth then completing a postal vote.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

16.12 LIBRARY FACILITIES AT BOTHWELL

Moved Clr R G Bowden

Seconded CIr E M McRae

THAT Council advise LINC that they have no objection to the relocation of the Online Access Centre to the Library.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

16.13 STATE GRANT COMMISSION

Noted

16.14 COUNCIL HOUSE, HAMILTON

It was resolved that Council advertise the vacant Council house in Cumberland St, Hamilton for a 12 month lease.

16.15 REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY GRANT

It was **resolved** that the General Manager advise the Great Lake Community Centre that a Christmas Party has already been organised by another Community Member and that they liaise with them.

17.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

Moved CIr L M Triffitt

Seconded CIr E M McRae

THAT Council consider the matters on the Supplementary Agenda.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

17.1 GREAT LAKE BIN

Moved Clr J R Allwright

Seconded CIr A J Downie

THAT the waste bin located at the Great Lake Hotel be moved to the Miena Shop and that the Central Highlands Council covers the cost for the weekly empty.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

17.2 REMOVAL OF STEEL FROM WASTE TRANSFER STATIONS AND LAND FILL SITE

Moved Clr A J Downie

Seconded CIr E J Evans

THAT the Central Highlands Council covers the cost of diesel for the pickup of scrap steel from the Waste Transfer Stations and Land Fill Site.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr R G Bowden, Clr E J Evans, Clr E M McRae, Clr L M Triffitt

18.0 CLOSURE

Mayor D E Flint closed the meeting at 11.14am