

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING OF THE HINCHINBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS INGHAM ON TUESDAY 25 JUNE 2013 AT 1.08 PM

<u>ATTENDANCE</u> - Present were Councillors R Bow, PD Lynch, DG Carr, WG Skinner, LR Molachino and MG

Tack

Also present was the Chief Executive Officer (LE Mash), Manager Engineering Services (BE Leach), Manager Environmental Health Services (T Tanase), Finance Manager (CJ

Trost) and Executive Secretary (BK Edwards)

APOLOGY - An apology for non-attendance was received from Councillor SJ Kaurila and it was

resolved that leave of absence be granted

1. REPORT ON THE BUDGET

The Mayor, Councillor R Bow submitted a Report dated 25 June 2013 introducing the Budget.

Moved Councillor Bow Seconded Councillor Lynch

That the report be received. Carried - 250613-01

2. OPERATIONAL PLAN -

Moved Councillor Lynch Seconded Councillor Skinner

That in accordance with S174 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012 Council's 2013 / 2014 Operational Plan as attached be adopted. *Carried - 250613-02*

3. <u>FINANCIAL POLICIES</u>

Moved Councillor Molachino Seconded Councillor Tack

That in accordance with S191 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012 Council's Investment Policy as attached be adopted. *Carried - 250613-03*

Moved Councillor Tack Seconded Councillor Carr

That in accordance with S192 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012 Council's Debt Policy as attached be adopted. *Carried - 250613-04*

Moved Councillor Carr Seconded Councillor Lynch

That in accordance with S193 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012 Council's Revenue Policy as attached be adopted. *Carried - 250613-05*

4. REVENUE STATEMENT AND ASSOCIATED POLICIES

Moved Councillor Lynch Seconded Councillor Molachino

That in accordance with S172 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 the attached policies be adopted.

- Revenue Statement
- Rate Recovery Policy
- Rate Rebate and Concession Policy
- Special Rate Crystal Creek Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Crystal Creek Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)
- Special Rate Bambaroo Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Bambaroo Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)
- Special Rate Seymour Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Seymour Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)
- Special Rate Stone River Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Stone River Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)

Carried - 250613-06

Moved Councillor Tack Seconded Councillor Skinner

That in accordance with S80 and S81 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012 that a differential general rating scheme be adopted and the differential rating categories and differential rating categories descriptions as outlined in the Revenue Statement Section 3 be approved and adopted.

Carried - 250613-07

Moved Councillor Molachino Seconded Councillor Carr

That in accordance with S94 *Local Government Regulation* 2012 that special rates as outlined in Section 6 of the Revenue Statement and detailed in the attached policies be adopted.

- Special Rate Crystal Creek Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Crystal Creek Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)
- Special Rate Bambaroo Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Bambaroo Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)
- Special Rate Seymour Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Seymour Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)
- Special Rate Stone River Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Overall Plan)
- Special Rate Stone River Rural Fire Brigade Charge (Annual Implementation Plan)

Carried - 250613-08

Moved Councillor Tack Seconded Councillor Carr

That in accordance with Section 99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Utility Charges are adopted as outlined in Section 7 of the Revenue Statement.

Carried - 250613-09

Moved Councillor Skinner Seconded Councillor Lynch

That in accordance with Section 103 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 a separate rate is adopted as outlined in Section 5 of the Revenue Statement.

Carried - 250613-10

Moved Councillor Molachino Seconded Councillor Carr

That in accordance with section 102 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and as outlined in Section 7 of the Revenue Statement, a water meter is taken to be read during the period that starts two weeks before, and ends two weeks after, the day on which the meter is actually read.

Carried - 250613-11

Moved Councillor Carr Seconded Councillor Lynch

That in accordance with Section 116 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 a limit will apply to the increase in rates and charges as outlined in Section 3 and Section 4 of the Revenue Statement. Carried - 250613-12

Moved Councillor Molachino Seconded Councillor Lynch

That in accordance with Section 122 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 concessions will be granted to ratepayers based on the details outlined in Section 13 of the Revenue Statement and as detailed in the Rate Rebate and Concession Policy.

Carried - 250613-13

Moved Councillor Carr Seconded Councillor Skinner

That in accordance with Section 129 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 ratepayers will be able to make payment of rates and charges by instalments as outlined in Section 11 of the Revenue Statement.

Carried - 250613-14

Moved Councillor Lynch Seconded Councillor Molachino

That in accordance with Section 130 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 ratepayers will be able to receive discount for prompt payment of rates and charges as outlined in Section 10 of the Revenue Statement.

Carried - 250613-15

REVISED BUDGET 2012/2013 AND ANNUAL BUDGET 2013/2014, 2014/2015 AND 2015/2016

Moved Councillor Lynch Seconded Councillor Molachino

That the Revised budget for 2012/2013 and the Budget for 2013/2014, 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 which include the following attached documents be adopted.

- Statement of Financial Position
- **∨** Statement of Comprehensive Income

Operating Result Final Revised Budget 2012/2013 (\$1,494M) deficit
 Operating Result Budget 2013/2014 (\$2,976M) deficit
 Operating Result Budget 2014/2015 (\$2,284M) deficit
 Operating Result Budget 2015/2016 (\$2,245M) deficit

Cash Flow Statement

Longterm financial forecast Carried - 250613-16 6. NATIONAL COMPETITION POLICY PROCESS. Moved Councillor Tack Seconded Councillor Carr That Council resolves to apply the Code of Competitive Conduct to its Water business activity, Sewerage business activity, Waste Management business activity and Building Certification activity in 2013/2014. Carried - 250613-17 Moved Councillor Tack Seconded Councillor Skinner That Council adopt the Competition and Water Reform Policy as attached. Carried - 250613-18 Moved Councillor Molachino Seconded Councillor Lynch That Council adopt the Competitive Neutrality Complaint Process as attached. Carried - 250613-19 7. CONCLUSION – This concluded the business of the meeting which closed at 1.39 pm APPROVED and adopted on 16 July 2013 MAYOR

Statement of Changes in Equity

And associated notes to the Budget