

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING OF THE HINCHINBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, INGHAM ON WEDNESDAY 31ST AUGUST, 2011 AT 4.05 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Present were Councillors G. Giandomenico, A.J. Lancini, G.P. Gianotti, L.R. Molachino, S.J. Kaurila and P.D. Lynch.

- Also present was the Chief Executive Officer (R.W. Clark), Finance Manager (C.J. Trost), Manager Corporate & Economic Development (R.F. Pennisi), and Executive Secretary (B.K. Edwards).

APOLOGY

Apology for non-attendance was received from Cr. D.M. Bosworth and it was resolved that leave of absence be granted.

PRAYER - The Mayor opened the meeting with prayer.

1. REPORT ON THE BUDGET

The Mayor, Councillor G. Giandomenico, submitted a Report dated 31st August, 2011, introducing the Budget.

<u>Resolved</u> - That the report be received. (Crs. Giandomenico and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

2. <u>OPERATIONAL PLAN</u> -

<u>Resolved</u> – That Council's 2011 / 2012 Operational Plan as attached be adopted. (Crs. Giandomenico and Gianotti – Carried unanimously)

3. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES

Resolved – That in accordance with S131 of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulations 2010, Council adopt following policies forming Council's financial plan:-

- Revenue Policy
- Investment Policy;
- Debt Policy

(Crs. Giandomenico and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

4. RATES AND CHARGES – REVENUE POLICIES

Resolved - That following policies be adopted by Council:-

- Revenue Statement;
- Rate Recovery Policy;
- Rate Rebate and Remission 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).

And that in accordance with Chapter 3, Part 2 of the *Local Government (Finance, Plans & Reporting)* Regulation 2010 the Rates and Utility Charges for the financial year ending 30th June, 2012, as outlined in the revenue statement be approved and adopted.

(Crs. Giandomenico and Molachino - Carried unanimously)

5. ANNUAL BUDGET

Resolved - That the budget documents attached providing Total comprehensive income for each year:-

	Year	\$'000
•	2010 / 2011 Revised	(\$29,405);
•	2011 / 2012	\$44,172;
•	2012 / 2013	\$41,600;
•	2013 / 2014	\$ 7,092

(Crs. Giandomenico and Lynch - Carried unanimously)

6. <u>NATIONAL COMPETITION POLICY PROCESS</u>.

<u>Resolved</u> - 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 2011/2012.

Resolved – That Council adopt the Competition and Water Reform Policy as attached.

<u>Resolved</u> – That Council adopt the Complaint Process as attached. (Crs. Giandomenico and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

7.	WATER & SEWERAGE DECLARED AREA MAPS		
	Resolved - That Council adopt the following amended Declared Areas:-		
	 Water Declared Area; Sewerage Declared Area; (Crs. Gianotti and Lynch - Carried unanimously) 		
8.	SUPPORT FOR EVENTS POLICY Resolved - That Council adopt the revised policy for Support for Events. (Crs. Lancini and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)		
9.	CONCLUSION - This concluded the business of the meeting, which closed at 4.25 p.m.		
10.	APPROVED and adopted this 6 th day of September, 2011.		
		MAYOR	

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