



***HEPBURN SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
MINUTES***

MONDAY 26 MAY 2014

**DAYLESFORD SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTRE
76 VINCENT STREET
DAYLESFORD
6:00PM**

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**AARON VAN EGMOND
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
26 MAY 2014**

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

We would like to acknowledge we are meeting on Jaara people country, of which members and elders of the Dja Dja Wurrung community and their forebears have been custodians for many centuries.

On this land, the Jaara people have performed age old ceremonies of celebration, initiation and renewal.

We acknowledge their living culture and their unique role in the life of this region.

2. OPENING OF MEETING

PRESENT: Mayor Councillor Don Henderson, Deputy Mayor Councillor Kate Redwood AM, Birch Ward Councillor Pierre Niclas, Cameron Ward Councillor Neil Newitt, Coliban Ward Councillor Sebastian Klein, Creswick Ward Councillor Greg May, Holcombe Ward Councillor Bill McClenaghan.

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive Officer Aaron van Egmond, General Manager Corporate Services Evan King, Manager Finance and Information Technology Paul Brumby, Governance Officer Mary Dancuk.

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

“WE THE COUNCILLORS OF HEPBURN SHIRE
DECLARE THAT WE WILL UNDERTAKE ON EVERY OCCASION
TO CARRY OUT OUR DUTIES IN THE BEST INTERESTS
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 HEPBURN SHIRE.”

3. APOLOGIES

Nil

4. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

5. OFFICER'S REPORTS

5.1. PROPOSED BUDGET 2014/15 – HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

In providing this advice to Council as the General Manager Corporate Services, I Evan King have no interests to disclose in this report.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is for Council to provide an opportunity for Proposed Budget 2014/15 submitters to speak to their submission at a formal meeting of Council. This opportunity is provided in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*.

BACKGROUND

The Proposed Budget 2014/15 has been on public exhibition in accordance with Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* for the period 18 April 2014 to 19 May 2014.

ISSUE / DISCUSSION

Submissions closed at 5pm on Monday 19 May 2014.

Five submissions were received on the Proposed Budget 2014/15. Submissions covered the following topics:

- Rates increase versus CPI;
- Rate equity;
- Projects included in the Budget; and
- Other projects to be considered for funding:
 - improving netball facilities at Hepburn and Trentham;
 - Stanbridge Jinker – appropriate housing and display;
 - Installation of a permanent watering system for the Trentham Oval.

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council is required to provide the opportunity for submitters to speak to their submissions at a Meeting of Council. Those who indicated in their submission they wish to be heard will have the opportunity to speak.

Each speaker will be allowed 3 (three) minutes to address the main point(s) of their submission. Refer to Attachment 1 for a list of speakers.

COUNCIL PLAN / LEGISLATIVE COMPLIANCE

Local Government Act 1989

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications noted in relation to the hearing of submissions.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk implications noted in relation to the hearing of submissions.

ENVIRONMENTAL / SOCIAL / ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental, social or economic implications noted in relation to the hearing of submissions.

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

As per the Hepburn Shire Community Engagement Framework, level 3 engagement has been undertaken.

The Proposed Budget 2014/15 was publicly advertised in the local newspapers seeking submissions from interested parties in accordance with Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

The Proposed Budget 2014/15 was available from Friday 18 April 2014 at Council's offices in Daylesford and Creswick, at all Hepburn Library branches and from Council's website www.hepburn.vic.gov.au.

Any person was able to make a submission to the Council on any proposal contained in the Proposed Budget 2014/15 or submit a new proposal. Submissions received by the Council before 5pm on Monday 19 May 2014 will be considered for impact on the budget.

As part of Council's budget consultation process, Council held five budget information sessions in Daylesford, Creswick, Trentham, Clunes and Glenlyon during May.

Information was included in *The Courier, Ballarat* in late April and on Council's page in *The Advocate* during late April and May.

At the Council Meeting scheduled for 6pm on Tuesday 17 June 2014 to be held in the Yandoit Mechanics Institute, Council will formally meet to consider and adopt the Proposed Budget 2014/15.

CONCLUSION

Council has provided the opportunity for those submitters who have previously indicated to Council they wish to be heard, to speak to their submissions.

ATTACHMENT 1 - LIST OF SPEAKERS

Please note: The opportunity to address this Council Meeting is for speaking to individual Proposed Budget Submissions only. This is different from Public Participation Time at Ordinary Meetings of Council, where questions may be asked and answered.

SPEAKER	TIME	
Chris Eyles	6:10pm	Did not attend
Zachary Casper	6:13pm	Did not attend
Ian MacBean Trentham Community FORUM	6.16pm	
Mark Reid Trentham District Cricket Club On behalf of: Trentham Football and Netball Club Trentham Community FORUM Trentham Recreation Reserve Committee of Management	6.19pm	

Listed speakers who attended addressed the Council Meeting in support of their submissions.

6. ITEM OF URGENT BUSINESS – RESIGNATION – GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

The Mayor informed the meeting that sadly General Manager Corporate Services, Mr Evan King had tendered his resignation and was leaving Hepburn Shire Council to advance his career in local government at the Pyrenees Shire Council.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

6.1.1. *That Council considers an Item of Urgent Business – Vote of thanks to Mr Evan King, General Manager Corporate Services.*

Moved: Councillor Bill McClenaghan
Carried.

MOTION

That Council:

6.1.2. *Formally thanks Mr Evan King, General Manager Corporate Services upon his impending employment by Pyrenees Shire Council;*

6.1.3. *Wishes him well in all his future endeavours and*

6.1.4. *Acknowledges his exemplary contribution to Hepburn Shire Council.*

Moved: Councillor Bill McClenaghan
Seconded: Councillor Sebastian Klein
Carried.

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 6:16 pm.
