

**THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE 76 CAPPER STREET
TUMUT, ON THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2020 COMMENCING AT 2.01pm**

PRESENT:

Mayor James Hayes (Chair), Councillor Andrianna Benjamin, Councillor Cate Cross, Councillor Julia Ham, Councillor Margaret Isselmann, Councillor John Larter, Councillor Geoff Pritchard, Councillor Cor Smit, Councillor Bruce Wright.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Officer Matthew Hyde, Executive Director Infrastructure Heinz Kausche, Executive Director Community and Corporate Paul Holton, Executive Chief of Staff Shelley Jones, Chief Financial Officer Susanne Andres and Executive Assistant Jeannie Moran-Fahey.

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

An acknowledgement of the traditional custodians of the land was delivered by the Mayor James Hayes.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Cate Cross declared a Pecuniary Interest in relation to report # 10.4 Twickenham Rugby League Complex – Provision of Raw Water, due to being the secretary of Tumut Racecourse Trust Committee who is the Land Manager of Twickenham sports field and will leave the room during discussion.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

M14/20 RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 12 December 2019 be received.

Cr Margaret Isselmann/Cr John Larter

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 28 January 2020 be received.

Cr Julie Ham/Cr Margaret Isselman

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Mayor


Chief Executive Officer

5.1 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

6. CORRESPONDENCE/PETITIONS

Nil.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION/NOTICE OF RESCISSION

Nil.

8. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

9. GOVERNANCE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS**9.1 COUNCILLOR REQUEST TO ATTEND THE WASTE 2020 CONFERENCE - 5-7 MAY 2020****M15/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:**

1. Receive the report on the Waste 2020 Conference being held 5 – 7 May 2020 from the Chief Executive Officer.
2. Council approve the attendance of the Councillor Cate Cross nominating to attend the conference.

Cr Margaret Isselmann/Cr Bruce Wright

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**9.2 COUNCILLOR REQUEST TO ATTEND THE LGNSW TOURISM CONFERENCE 2020 - 16-18 MARCH 2020****RECOMMENDATION:
THAT COUNCIL:**

1. Receive the report on the LGNSW Tourism 2020 Conference being held 16-18 March 2020.

Cr Margaret Isselmann/Cr Cate Cross

AMENDMENT PUT AND CARRIED**The Amendment became the Motion, the Motion was put and carried, therefore;**

**M16/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:**

1. Receive the report on the LGNSW Tourism 2020 Conference being held 16-18 March 2020.
2. Approve the attendance of Cr Julia Ham and Cr Margaret Isselmann nominating to attend the conference.

Cr Margaret Isselmann/Cr Cate Cross

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 HALF-YEARLY OPERATIONAL PLAN UPDATE - REPORT 31 DECEMBER 2019

**M17/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:**

1. Receives the Half-yearly Operational Plan Update – Report 31 December 2019.
2. Adopts the Draft Half Yearly Operational Plan update 31st December 2019.

Cr Cate Cross/Cr Bruce Wright

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.4 PECUNIARY INTEREST RETURNS FOR COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED STAFF - UPDATE

**M18/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:**

1. Receive the updated report on Pecuniary Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Staff .
2. Note the following Updated Declaration of Pecuniary Interest Returns from the Mayor and Designated Officers as at 9 December 2019 as listed in accordance with the Code of Conduct:

Clr James Hayes-Mayor, General Manager, Acting Director Strategy, Community & Development, Acting Director Assets & Infrastructure and Acting Director Internal Services.

3. Approve for the redacted Pecuniary Interest Returns for the Councillor and Designated Staff to be placed on council website in accordance with the current Information and Privacy Commission Guideline 1.

Cr Margaret Isselmann/Cr Andrianna Benjamin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.5 RATE OPTIONS STUDY AND ROAD TO SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT PLAN

M19/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the report on Rate Options Study and Road to Sustainability Project Plan from Chief Financial Officer.
2. Endorse the Snowy Valleys Council Rate Options Study containing various options for rates harmonisation (as summarised in Appendix 1) for the purpose of seeking community feedback on these options;
3. Endorse the Road to Sustainability Project Plan identifying actions to improve Council's financial sustainability;
4. Endorse the Community Engagement Strategy that will guide community engagement activities over the next few months;
5. Continue to explore options
 - relating to the existing SRV in the former Tumut Shire; and
 - for a phased implementation of changes to the rating structure.

Cr Julia Ham/Cr Andrianna Benjamin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.6 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

M20/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive and adopt the 2nd Quarter Budget Review as at 31 December 2019;
2. Note significant work undertaken to date to consolidate, migrate and integrate financial data from legacy systems improving Council's focus on longer term sustainability;
3. Adopt the Revenue, Expenditure and Capital Budget adjustments as noted in the attached 2nd Quarter Budget Review;
4. Endorse the following actions, as recommended by the Responsible Accounting Officer, to ensure Council's continued focus on reducing the revised forecast end of year deficit and improving ongoing financial sustainability:
 - Council continue to review the Council Improvement Plan identifying actions to improve financial sustainability in light of the updated information about Council's financial position and the cost of delivering current service levels;
 - Council continue to review its capital works program for 2019/20 to identify non-essential projects that can be postponed to maintain sufficient cash;

- Council continue to implement agreed actions from the revised Council Improvement Plan and revised capital works program, including community engagement as appropriate; and
- Council incorporate further changes to its 2019/20 Budget based on this way forward at its third quarterly budget review and subsequently in the formulation of its 2020/21 Budget.

Cr John Larter/Cr Andrianna Benjamin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7 ANZ SIGNATORIES

M21/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the report on Appointment of Administrators for ANZ bank facilities from the Chief Financial Officer;
2. Appoint bank account and internet banking administrators for Councils ANZ bank accounts and loan facilities as follows;
 - Susanne Andres Chief Financial Officer
 - Amanda Sutton Coordinator Financial Accounting
 - Anthony Reid Finance Officer
3. That pursuant the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) Council delegate the power to amend bank account and internet banking administrator rights to the Person and the Position;
4. Delegate the execution of the Authorisation of bank Administrators for the ANZ bank facilities to the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor to provide signature under seal and deliver for and on behalf of Council.

Cr Julia Ham/Cr Bruce Wright

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.8 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS - DECEMBER 2019

M22/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the Statement of Investments as at 31 December 2019.

Cr Bruce Wright/Cr Andrianna Benjamin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.9 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS - JANUARY 2020

M23/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the Statement of Investments as at 31 January 2020.

Cr Bruce Wright/Cr Cate Cross

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.10 NCIF AND SCF QUARTERLY REPORT - FEBRUARY 2020

M24/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the report on NCIF and SCF Quarterly Report from Enterprise Systems Manager regarding the expenditure of the New Council Implementation Fund (Rounds 1 and 2), Stronger Communities Fund (Rounds 1 and 2) for period ending 31st January 2020.
2. Approve the cessation of the Expression of Interest process for the Batlow Cannery given the fire impact and seek advice from the Office of Local Government for the reallocation of those remaining funds to site remediation/demolition.

Cr Bruce Wright/Cr John Larter

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M25/20 RESOLVED that Council move Into Committee of the Whole for discussion.

Cr Julie Ham/Cr Bruce Wright

Division**For**

Cr Benjamin
Cr Cross
Cr Ham
Cr Hayes
Cr Isselmann
Cr Larter
Cr Smit
Cr Wright

Against

Cr Pritchard

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CARRIED

M26/20 RESOLVED to move out of the Committee of the Whole.

Cr Julie Ham/Cr Cor Smit

10. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**10.1 DRAFT MANNUS LAKE BLUE-GREEN ALGAE MANAGEMENT POLICY –
FEEDBACK FROM PUBLIC EXHIBITION**

M27/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the report on the Draft Mannus Lake Blue-Green Algae management Policy-Feedback from Public Exhibition from the Executive Director Infrastructure.
2. Note the submissions received in response to the Draft Mannus Lake Blue-Green Algae Management Policy being placed on public exhibition;
3. Adopt the amended Mannus Lake Blue-Green Algae Management Policy;
4. Write to the residents who made the submission, thanking them for their input and advising them of the outcome of their submission.

Cr Julia Ham/Cr Andrianna Benjamin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.4 TWICKENHAM RUGBY LEAGUE COMPLEX - PROVISION OF RAW WATER

M28/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive this report on the supply of raw water for the irrigation of the Twickenham Rugby League Complex
2. Approve the installation of a new raw water pipeline, suitable access point and connections required to supply raw water to the Twickenham Rugby League Complex, noting that this will be subject to the land managers approving the installation of the infrastructure
3. Endorse funding the installation of a new raw water pipeline and associated infrastructure as referred to in item 2 above from the water fund
4. Approve an internal budget allocation of up to \$10,000 per annum for up to 5 years for the supply of raw water to the Twickenham Rugby League Complex, noting that this equates to approximately 10 Megalitres of raw water per year plus the service charge based on Councils current fees and charges
5. Endorse funding the allocation of \$10,000 for the supply of raw water as described in item 4 above as a donation, noting that this will result in lost income for Council
6. Note that the provision of raw water will be subject to water restrictions and compliance with Councils raw water user agreement

7. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the above as necessary, this includes ceasing the supply of raw water for the irrigation of Twickenham Rugby League Complex if deemed necessary

Cr Cate Cross left the room at 3.00pm.

Cr John Larter/Cr Margaret Isselmann

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr Cate Cross returned to the room at 3.04pm.

10.2 RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE DELEGATES

**M29/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:**

1. Receive the report on Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee Delegates from Executive Director Community & Corporate.
2. Note the newly appointed Manager Customer & Technology as Council's delegate to the Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee.
3. Note the newly appointment Executive Director Community & Corporate as the alternate Council delegate to Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee.
4. Maintain the current Councillor Delegate and Alternate Delegate.

Cr Cate Cross/Cr Margaret Isselmann

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.3 DA/20190155 - 53 CAREY STREET TUMUT NSW 2720 - 3 BAY GARAGE AND RETAINING WALL

**M30/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:**

1. Receive the report on DA2019/0155 at 53 Carey Street Tumut from the Executive Director Community and Corporate be received.
2. Refuse consent to development application DA2019/0155 53 Carey Street Tumut– 3 bay garage and retaining wall.

Cr Cor Smit/Cr Andrianna Benjamin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**11.1 MINUTES - TUMUT YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE - 5 FEBRUARY 2020**

M31/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the report on the Minutes - Tumut Youth Council Committee – 5 February 2020 from Executive Director Community and Corporate.
2. Note the Minutes of the Tumut Youth Council Committee meeting held on Wednesday 5 February 2020.
3. Discuss and investigate the opportunity to obtain funding to build a cycle way from The Junction to Tumut.
4. Discuss and investigate the opportunity to create a public document that clearly outlines public access points to the Tumut River.
5. Endorse the membership of Earnest Lotter to the Tumut Youth Council Committee.

Cr Cate Cross/Cr Andrianna Benjamin

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 MINUTES - FESTIVAL OF THE FALLING LEAF COMMITTEE - DECEMBER 2019 AND JANUARY 2020

M32/20 RESOLVED:
THAT COUNCIL:

1. Receive the report on the Festival of the Falling Leaf Committee from Executive Director Community and Corporate.
2. Note the Minutes of the Festival of the Falling Leaf Committee meetings held on 3rd of December 2019 and 28th of January 2020.
3. Adopt the following recommendation/s from the minutes:
 - That Council accepts the applications of Alicia Welsh and Narissa Watts as members of the Festival of the Falling Leaf 2019 - 2020 Committee.
 - That Council accepts the decision to proceed with rebranding the "Festival of the Falling Leaf" to the "Falling Leaf Festival".

Cr Andrianna Benjamin/Cr Julia Ham

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. CONFIDENTIAL

Nil.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 3.04pm.

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Mayor



Chief Executive Officer