
WYONG SHIRE COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
WYONG CIVIC CENTRE, HELY STREET, WYONG
ON 19 MARCH 2014
COMMENCING AT 7:00PM**

PRESENT

Councillors D J Eaton (Chairperson), G P Best, R L Graham, K G Greenwald, L A Matthews, L S Taylor, A Troy, D P Vincent and L D Webster.

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager, General Counsel/Acting Director Development and Building and two administration staff.

The Mayor, Councillor Eaton, declared the meeting open at 7.04pm and advised in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice that the meeting is being recorded.

Councillor Matthews read an acknowledgment of country statement.

The Mayor noted that the Lower Hunter Water Plan presentation was deferred to the next CCROC meeting.

APOLOGY

An apology for the inability to attend the meeting was received on behalf of Councillor Nayna due to work commitments.

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor MATTHEWS and seconded by Councillor GREENWALD:

232/14 That Council accept the apology and grant leave of absence from the meeting.

1.1 Disclosure of Interest

Councillor Best declared a non-pecuniary significant conflict of interest in the Matter of Urgency - Wallarah 2 Coal Mine for the reason that he is the General Manager of CCGT that has business relations with the proponent of the mine. Councillor Best left the chamber at 7.07pm, took no part in discussion, did not vote and returned to the chamber at 7.08pm.

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor EATON and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

233/14 That Council receive the report on Disclosure of Interest and note advice of disclosures.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

234/14 That Council allow meeting practice to be varied.

235/14 That Council use the exception method to deal with the balance of the Agenda.

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

236/14 That with the exception of the two Matters of Urgency, Council adopt the recommendations contained in the paper.

1.2 Mayoral Minute - Central Coast Academy of Sports Presentation

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

237/14 That Council approve the grant of \$10,000 for the Central Coast Academy of Sports Academy Games.

2.1 Code of Meeting Practice for Central Coast Regional Organisation of Councils

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

238/14 That Council adopt the amended Code of Meeting Practice for Central Coast Regional Organisation of Councils.

3.1 Final Report - Independent Local Government Review Panel

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

239/14 That Council receive and note the Final Report - Independent Local Government Review Panel.

MATTER ARISING

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

240/14 That Council reconfirm the establishment of the Joint Committee of Councils to deal with the water issues (JWA) by 1 July 2014

3.2 Final Report - Local Government Act Taskforce

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

241/14 That Council receive the Final Report - Local Government Act Taskforce.

U1/14 Motion of Urgency - Wallarah 2 Coal Mine

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RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor GRAHAM and seconded by Councillor GREENWALD:

242/14 That Council receive and note the Background Paper on Wallarah 2 and the request from Wyong Council to list this item on the CCROC agenda.

243/14 That Council request Gosford Council urgently consider making a submission to the Planning Assessment Commission (PAC) in relation to the proposed mine.

U2/14 Motion of Urgency - M1-M2 Link NorthConnex

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor WEBSTER and seconded by Councillor TAYLOR:

244/14 That Council congratulate the State and Federal Governments via local Members on their commitment to fund and build the NorthConnex by 2019, subject to the General Managers confirming the schedule of works.

A DIVISION was called by Councillors Greenwald and Vincent.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BEST, EATON, GRAHAM, TAYLOR, TROY AND WEBSTER

AGAINST: COUNCILLORS GREENWALD, MATTHEWS AND VINCENT

THE MEETING closed at 7.11pm.