

MEETING OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday 23 March 2021 6:00pm Community Hub

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors
Liesbeth Long
Gerard Murphy
Wayne Sproull
Geoff Lovett
Grace La Vella
Chris Meddows-Taylor (Mayor)
Anna de Villiers

Confirmed at the Council Meeting Held on 27 April 2021

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND WELCOME

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm

The Mayor, Cr Meddows-Taylor welcomed everybody. The Mayor acknowledged the passing of Fred Treble OAM as a past Councillor and Mayor of the City of Maryborough.

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillors

Chris Meddows-Taylor (Mayor) Liesbeth Long Gerard Murphy Wayne Sproull Geoff Lovett Anna de Villiers

Officers

Chief Executive Officer, Lucy Roffey
General Manager Corporate Performance, Mick Smith
General Manager Community Wellbeing, Martin Collins
General Manager Infrastructure Assets and Planning, Rebecca Stockfeld
IT Support Officer, Louise Power

2. APOLOGIES

Grace La Vella

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Murphy stated "Mr Mayor, I have a disclosure Item 8.2 being the current contractor and will leave the room for this item."

Councillor Murphy's disclosure of a conflict of interest in regard to Item 8.2 was noted.

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

To present for confirmation the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23 February 2021.

Council Resolution

That Council confirms the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23 February 2021.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Nil

7. PETITIONS

Nil

8. OFFICER REPORTS

8.1 LOCAL SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

The purpose of this report is to request that Council notes that two applications have been submitted to the Local Sports Infrastructure Fund (LSIF).

Sport and Recreation Victoria's (SRV) LSIF provides funding to local government to develop facilities that ensure more Victorians can access the benefits of participating in sport and active recreation.

Council Resolution

That Council notes:

- the submission of two (2) applications to the Local Sport Infrastructure Fund;
 and
- 2. successful applications will be supported by in-kind project management.

Moved Cr Sproull Seconded Cr Long

Cr Sproull and Cr Murphy spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

6:08pm Councillor Murphy left the room

8.2 MSLC, OUTDOOR POOLS AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

The purpose of this report is to request that Council notes the procurement process, project team membership, Probity Plan and draft community engagement plan for the proposed new contract management services for the Maryborough Sports and Leisure Centre (MSLC), outdoor pools (Dunolly, Maryborough and Talbot), Nolan Street Gymnasium (NSG) and Tullaroop Leisure Centre (TLC).

Council Resolution

That Council notes in respect of the MSLC, outdoor pools and facilities management contract, the:

- 1. Project team's membership:
- 2. Procurement process;
- 3. Probity Plan; and
- 4. Draft Community Engagement Plan

Moved Cr Lovett Seconded Cr Long

Cr Lovett spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

Cr Murphy returned to the meeting: 6:11pm

8.3 MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE – CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS SHIRE

This report recommends that Council authorises the:

- disestablishment of the current Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee (MEMPC) under the repealed s21(3)-(5) of the *Emergency Management Act 1986*, and
- establishment of the new MEMPC to comply with the Emergency Management Legislation Amendment Act 2018 (EMLA Act).

Council Resolution

That Council:

- 1. Authorises the disestablishment of the existing Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee (MEMPC) established under s21(3)-(5) of the Emergency Management Act 1986, in recognition that on 1 December 2020 these provisions are repealed by s82(2) of the Emergency Management Legislation Amendment Act 2018 and replaced by the provisions of s68 of the Emergency Management Legislation Amendment Act 2018.
- 2. Authorises the CEO to facilitate the establishment of the MEMPC in accordance with the provisions of s68 of the Emergency Management Legislation Amendment Act 2018 (which inserts a new 'Part 6-Muncipal Emergency Management Planning Committees' into the Emergency Management Act 2013 on 1 December 2020); and
- 3. Notes that, under the MEMPC Terms of Reference provided and the Emergency Management Legislation Amendment Act 2018 (which inserts s59 and 59F into the Emergency Management Act 2013 on 1 December 2020), Council's role is to establish the committee. Once established, the committee exists separately to Council and is not a committee of Council.

Moved Cr de Villiers Seconded Cr Murphy

Cr de Villiers spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.4 SKATE AND SCOOTER PARK DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT CONTRACT

The purpose of this report is to recommend awarding a Contract (G1464-2020) by Council resolution for the Maryborough Skate and Scooter Park, Design and Construction to Grind Projects for \$605,000 (GST inclusive).

Council Resolution.

It is recommended that Council:

1. Award the Maryborough Skate and Scooter Park, Design and Construction contract G1464-2020 to Grind Projects for \$605,000 (GST Inclusive).

2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign and affix the Common Seal to the contract documentation for Contract G1464-2020 for the Maryborough Skate and Scooter Park, Design and Construction.

Moved Cr Sproull Seconded Cr Lovett

Cr Sproull and Cr Murphy spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.5 PUBLIC ACCESS TO DUNOLLY DUMP POINT

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the proposal to open the Dunolly Caravan Park dump point for public access.

Council Resolution.

That Council endorses the proposed public access to the Dunolly Caravan Park dump point

Moved Cr Long Seconded Cr Murphy

Cr Long, Cr Murphy and the Mayor spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.6 UPDATE TO COMMUNITY SUPPORT POLICY - FEE WAIVER

This report recommends that Council amend the Community Support Policy 2019, where it related to fee waivers. It is proposed to add a clause to support the application of a fee waiver for planning and building permit applications fees where waiving the fee would be reasonable in resolving a historic planning or building compliance matter.

Council Resolution.

That Council resolve to support the amendment to the Community Support Policy 2019 to allow a fee waiver where the waiver of the fee may assist in resolving a difficult planning or building matter.

Moved Cr Murphy Seconded Cr Lovett

Cr Murphy spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.7 POWER PURCHASING AGREEMENT

The purpose of this report is to recommend Council approve the CEO to sign the contract for a Power Purchase Agreement with other Victorian Councils that will purchase 100% of its electricity as renewable energy.

Council Resolution.

That Council delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the Victorian Local Government Power Purchase Agreement retail contracts for the supply of electricity to small market, large market and unmetered accounts from 1 July 2021, as detailed in the report of General Manager Infrastructure, Assets and Planning, subject to the final offer being of financial benefit to Council.

Moved Cr Lovett Seconded Cr Long

Cr Lovett and Cr Murphy spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.8 S11A INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT AND AUTHORISATION PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT ACT

The purpose of this report is to recommend Council adopt a S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation for the Manager Statutory Services and Coordinator Statutory Planning.

Council Resolution.

- 1. That Council adopt the attached S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation for the members of Council staff set out in the Instrument.
- 2. The attached S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation comes into force immediately and remains in force until Council determines to vary or revoke it.
- 3. That the attached S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation be signed:

Moved Cr Long Seconded Cr Lovett

Cr Long and Cr Lovett spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

8.9 COUNCIL COVID-19 HARDSHIP SUPPORT MEASURES

The purpose of this report is to update Council on existing COVID-19 hardship measures implemented, extending these measures until 30 June 2021.

Cr de Villiers acknowledged the work of the CEO and staff on the support to the community and work done in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. This was supported by the Mayor.

Council Resolution.

That Council:

1. Approves the updated COVID-19 Hardship Policy

2. Notes a further review of the policy and report to be done prior to 30 June 2021.

Moved Cr de Villiers Seconded Cr Sproull

Cr de Villiers, Cr Sproull and the Mayor spoke to the motion.

CARRIED

9 DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING CONFIRMATION REPORT

Nil

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11 URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

12 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

13 OTHER BUSINESS

The Mayor noted further easing of COVID-19 restrictions and the good news that an actual gallery would return in April.

14 MEETING CLOSURE

The Chair, Cr Meddows-Taylor declared the meeting closed at 6:32pm.

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