Southern Mallee District Council

Minutes of the Confidential Council Meeting held in the Council Chambers situated at Railway Terrace North Lameroo on Wednesday 12 March 2014

The Mayor Cr Robert Sexton opened the meeting at 1.56 pm and welcomed those in attendance

1 Attendance

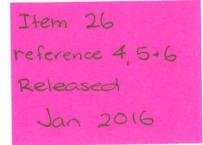
Cr Robert Sexton [Mayor]

Cr Brian Toogood [Deputy Mayor]

Cr Gordon Hancock

Cr Bruce Summerton

Cr Alf Walker



Staff in Attendance

Tony Renshaw [Chief Executive Officer]
Sheryn Bennier [Manager Executive Services and Minute Secretary]
Shona Hyde [Customer Service Officer]

2 Apologies

The Council noted the apologies of Cr Jeff Nickolls and Cr Neville Pfeiffer

Crs Dunsford and Lukins were not present at the commencement of the Confidential Meeting

1.57 pm Cr Dunsford re-joined the meeting

3 Minutes

Cr Hancock moved Cr Toogood seconded that the minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 8 January 2014 between 1.26 pm and 1.46 pm be taken as read and confirmed and the Council shall adopt all the recommendations contained within the minutes

Carried 1 / 0314

4 Enterprise Bargaining – Australian Services Union and Australian Workers Union

2.00 pm Cr Lukins rejoined the meeting

4.1 Cr Hancock moved Cr Toogood seconded that the Council negotiate with :

4.1.1 The Australian Services Union

That subject to negotiations with the Australian Workers Union, a variation to the Australian Services Union Agreement be agreed, that where the current agreement provides for a 2.25% per annum increase in year 1 and a 2.5% per annum increase for the remainder of the agreement, be varied to provide for a 3% per annum increase for each of the periods

4.1.2 The Australian Workers Union

A wage increase of 3% per annum for 3 years from 1 March 2014

Carried 2 / 0314

4.2 Cr Toogood moved Cr Dunsford seconded that if the negotiations with the Australian Workers Union for a wage increase of 3% per annum for 3 years from the 1 March 2014 is not accepted by the Australian Workers Union, then the matter shall be referred to conciliation

Carried 3 / 0314

5 Confidential Records

Cr Toogood moved Cr Dunsford seconded that all the confidential records of the Council shall be retained on a confidential basis until the Confidential Meeting to be held during the Ordinary Meeting in January 2015

Carried 4 / 0314

2.39 pm Sheryn Bennier Manager Executive Services and Shona Hyde Customer Service Officer left the meeting

6 Absence of the Chief Executive Officer

Cr Dunsford moved Cr Sexton seconded that;

In the absence of the Chief Executive, for any reason whatsoever, for any extended period, the Council shall appoint the Manager Executive Services Sheryn Bennier and or the Finance Officer Charmaine Sherman, to act as the Chief Executive Officer for a suitable period to allow the Council to consider, evaluate and determine the most suitable and effective action

Carried 5 / 0314

2.54 pm Sheryn Bennier Manager Executive Services rejoined the meeting

7 Closure

There being no further confidential business the Mayor Cr Sexton closed the confidential meeting, and as set in the Local Government Act Section 91 [7], having considered this agenda item in confidence under Section 90 and Section 90 [3a], the Council orders that the item and the minutes, reports and all other records, relating to the matter be retained on a confidential basis until the Council determines that the matters are no longer confidential and or at the conclusion of the Ordinary Council meeting to be held in November 2014 and on this basis the public shall be invited to re-join the meeting at 2.54 pm

