

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE SHIRE CHAMBER, COONAMBLE ON WEDNESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup>  
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**PRESENT:** Cr Tim Horan, Mayor, in the Chair, with Crs. J Canham, T. Cullen, M.Callaghan, D. Swansborough, J. Atkinson, D.Taylor and B.Jackson.

Also present were the A/General Manager, Mr. Warren, the Director of Engineering, Mr Russell and Mrs.Moorhouse.

**3.0 APOLOGIES**

**6842 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Taylor that apologies for non attendance be accepted from Cr. Michael Webb and General Manager, Mr. John Griffiths.

**4.0 DELEGATIONS**

Messrs. Gordon Ditchfield and Cr. Dennis Todd (Warrumbungle Shire Council) were in attendance to address Council on the naming of the new Bridge over Teridgerie Creek.

**5.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following Declarations of Interest were received:

Cr Atkinson                      Item 10.51 Marthaguy Picnic Race Club  
Secretary / Treasurer

Cr Horan                              Muttama Feedlot  
Owner contributed to State Election Campaign.

The Mayor said that a Chairperson would need to be nominated and elected for the period of the meeting that dealt with the Muttama Feedlot. Councillors nominated Cr. Taylor to take the Chair at that time.

Cr Cullen                              Coonamble Rural Transaction Centre (Item  
10.22)                      Member of the Committee

**6843 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Taylor that the Declarations of Interest be noted.

**6.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

**6844 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council, held on 9 April 2008 be confirmed.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**(a) Streets Ahead Committee**

In response to a question, Cr. Callaghan said that at the last meeting a Vice Chairperson was elected, however no nomination was received for the Chairperson's position. Cr. Callaghan said the attendance was better and a further meeting was scheduled for Thursday, 15 May at the Coonamble Bowling Club.

**(b) Rubbish Receptacle – Castlereagh Street**

Cr Canham referred to his request at the April meeting to have the rubbish receptacle (bin) replaced in front of Harris' shop in Castlereagh Street. He said the holder is still there, however the bin still has not been replaced. The Director of Engineering undertook to have this matter rectified.

**DEPUTATION - NAMING OF NEW BRIDGE OVER TERIDGERIE CREEK**

Mr Gordon Ditchfield was welcomed to the meeting and addressed Council on the suggestion that the new bridge be named The Lucy Morrissey Bridge. He pointed out the long association the Morrissey Family had with the Teridgerie area and said it would be a fitting tribute. Mr Ditchfield pointed out that the family arrived in the district in 1901 and from 1913 for a period of 46 years, Lucy Morrissey was the Post/Telegraph mistress at Teridgerie Post Office.

Cr. Dennis Todd reinforced Mr. Ditchfield's comments and said he hoped that Council would consider naming the bridge in honour of Lucy Morrissey who served the people of the Teridgerie area for many years.

The Mayor thanked the deputation and they left the meeting at 9.15 a.m. Cr. Cullen arrived at the meeting at 9.16 a.m.

**7.0 RESOLUTION BOOK UPDATE**

**6845 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Taylor and Jackson that the Resolution Book Update be received and dealt with.

**(a) Gulargambone Doctor's House**

In response to a question, the A/General Manager informed the meeting that the subject residence has now been transferred to Council. Mr Warren said that transfer was effected on Monday, 12 May. Concerns were raised concerning the service being provided by the doctor at Gulargambone, as it was understood only one day is being provided by a doctor from Gilgandra.

**(b) Warrana Creek / Common Area (Min No. 5957)**

Cr. Atkinson referred to this resolution and asked what Council's intentions were in respect of the work. The Director of Engineering advised that grant funding of \$5,000 was allocated, based around drought affected areas and higher labour content. Mr. Russell said that the work would be undertaken shortly. Cr. Atkinson committed assistance from the Rural Lands Protection Board.

**(c) Smith Park Signage (Min No. 6373)**

The Mayor referred to the delay in having this matter finalized and said it was disappointing that it is taking so long to have the signs erected.

**(d) Signs/Seats on Public Footpaths**

Cr. Jackson referred to this matter and requested that staff follow up the currency of public liability insurance of business owners who use the footpaths in this manner. The Director of Engineering said that it was routine policy for this matter to be kept updated and he would investigate whether this is still the case.

**(e) Greenhouse Emissions (Min.No. 6506)**

Cr Cullen referred to his request to invite Susan McLeish to address Council concerning research she has done on behalf of the National Farmers Association on efforts to achieve reductions in existing greenhouse gas emissions. The Director of Engineering said he would contact Mrs McLeish, inviting her to address Council.

**(f) Illegal Development – 'Pillicawarrina' (Min 4828/1)**

Cr Atkinson requested an update on this matter and was advised that the General Manager has been involved and the status would be relayed to the next meeting.

**8.0 MAYORAL MINUTE**

**6846 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that the Mayor Minute be received and dealt with.

**8.1 "KEEP IT LOCAL" CAMPAIGN**

This item deals with the proposal by the NSW Government to implement a revised Development (Infrastructure) Contributions Framework which would reduce the amount of funds councils could collect from developers to help build essential local facilities, e.g. playgrounds, childcare facilities and community centres. The LGSA has strongly opposed this proposal and has urged Councils to support it.

Council noted that many of the State Government's proposed changes to planning, outlined in the Draft Exposure Bills released on 3 April 2008, will have far reaching implications for local communities; the views of relevant stakeholders have been ignored and that private companies and developers stand to significantly benefit from the new laws

- 6847 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Horan and Cullen that Council calls for:
- a) a freeze on the implementation of The State Government's Draft Exposure Bills (Planning Changes); and
  - b) a Parliamentary Inquiry into the NSW State Government's Draft Exposure Bills (Planning Changes).

## **8.2 GENERAL MANAGER'S EMPLOYMENT EXTENSION**

The Mayor informed Council that discussions were held with the General Manager in accordance with Council's instructions to approach him with a view to retaining his services for a further twelve month period following the expiration of his current Contract.

- 6848 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Taylor that Council formally offer the General Manager a twelve month extension of his Contract with an incentive bonus of an additional \$24,000 over and above his current remuneration package, adjusted in accordance with the results of a Performance Review to 30 June 2009.

## **9. MAYOR'S ACTIVITY REPORT**

The Mayor gave a verbal report of his activities since the last meeting. Cr Horan updated Councillors on the condition of Cr Webb, who is a patient at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital. The Mayor said he keeps in touch with family to receive updates and told Councillors that Cr. Webb is in a positive frame of mind and receiving chemotherapy.

Councillor Horan reported on the following topics:

- Benefit Night for Michael Webb was planned for Saturday 31 May at Coonamble Golf Club. Cr. Atkinson said that the date clashed with a performance in Coonamble of 'The Pitch' and suggested it be changed to attract more people. Cr Taylor suggested that the event be publicized over the local radio station. Councillors Horan and Canham pledged \$100 each towards the benefit evening.
- Celebrations are being organized for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rugby League and will be held in Coonamble on Saturday, 14 June. He said Joe Bellgardt is arranging the event.
- Met with Michelle Leonard to discuss the Moorambilla Festival and incentives to attract local children to become involved.

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- Discussions with Kevin Humphries, MP concerning the Gulargambone Cypress Mill proposed closure.
- Establishment of a safe house – The Mayor reported that funds are available for the purchase of a house, however funding to operate is required.
- Vibe Alive – Attended a meeting concerning this event – only one venue in each State is selected and Coonamble was chosen for NSW to host Vibe Alive – in August 2008 – 1,000 kids are expected.
- Presentation of draft Management Plan to the Public – Attended the meeting – only one member of the public was present to address Council about the future of a Safehouse in Coonamble.
- The Mayor informed the meeting that he is on leave from the Police Force for a period of five months.

**6849 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Jackson that Council note the verbal report from the Mayor on his activities since last meeting be received and noted.

**10.00 CORRESPONDENCE**

**6850 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Canham that the Correspondence be received and dealt with.

**10.1 MURDI PAAKI REGIONAL ENTERPRISE CORPORATION LTD I6-1-1 (27614)**

Advising the Corporation currently has 67 participants working with Council, with 20 working in yard maintenance Monday/Tuesday or Wednesday/Thursday. Stating it is looking at increasing participant numbers, however needing a steady source of work for participants to complete. Putting forward an Expression of Interest for Council to consider. Offering to collect rubbish, mow and tidy tree branches to provide clear vision along roadsides. Stating it would be a monthly service and jobs would be completed within a month on a 'needs' basis. Submitting a per month price of \$2,500 to perform the service.

Council noted that whilst the utilization of CDEP in the past has not been successful, it is possible to ensure that the work to be undertaken is programmed by Council's Engineering section that will result in quality control being evident.

The Director of Works pointed out that such a method would be similar to a fee for service situation where only work that is actually needed will be performed. Council noted that to achieve this, agreement would be needed from MPREC and a procedure set up to ensure timely continuance of their workforce and work that is required being performed.

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The A/General Manager informed the meeting that the 2008/09 budget contains an additional \$30,000 to enhance the standard of maintenance being carried out on public areas and could be utilized for this purpose.

**6851 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that Council agree, in principle, to the engagement of Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation Ltd for the carrying out of maintenance to the areas specified, in addition to other areas requiring attention at the discretion of the Director of Engineering and delegate authority to the Engineering Section (through the General Manager) to develop procedures in conjunction with MPREC to achieve quality work at the quoted price of \$2,500 per month.

**10.2 NSW DEPARTMENT OF ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS I6-1 (27615)**

Advising that the Murdi Paaki COAG Trial has transitioned into the Two Ways Together framework since January 1, 2008 and significant achievements have been made through the Trial. Inviting Council to a one-day workshop on Thursday 21 August 2008 in Bourke, commencing 10 a.m. and finishing 3.30 p.m. Stating the overall aim for the day is to continue to build on the engagement by providing detailed information about progress to date and demonstrating opportunities for agencies and communities to invest and participate in overcoming Indigenous Disadvantage in the Murdi Paaki.

Councillors noted that this Council does not have any dedicated Community Services staff however as part of Council's Reconciliation Action Plan felt that it is imperative to have representatives at the workshop.

**6852 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Taylor that Council instruct the General Manager and Councillor Jackson to attend the Workshop at Bourke on Thursday, 21 August, 2008.

**10.3 CR DENIS TODD, WARRUMBUNGLE COUNCIL B10 (27629)**

Congratulating Council on the construction of the Teridgerie Creek bridge and suggesting it be named *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge*. Stating she conducted Teridgerie Post Office/Telephone exchange for many years. Advising that Ms Morrissey was born in 1891 and died in 1988 aged 97 years. Saying further information can be provided on request.

**10.4 J & SM HOTCHKISS, BARADINE B10 (27654)**

Strongly supporting the suggestion that the new bridge over Teridgerie Creek be named *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge* in honour of the former postmistress – "an outstanding lady".

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**10.5 ANABEL MURRAY, BARADINE B10 (27682)**

As a resident of Teridgerie, suggesting that the new bridge over Teridgerie Creek be named *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge* in honour of work with and for the people of the Teridgerie area.

**10.6 F J L KING, BARADINE B10 (27681)**

Suggesting that the new bridge over Teridgerie Creek be named *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge* to honor her life's work at Teridgerie and assistance to residents in the area over many years.

**10.7 R & P WOODS, BARADINE B10 (27708)**

Suggesting a good name for the new bridge over Teridgerie Creek would be *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge*. Saying this would be a way to commemorate the former Postmistress of the old post office at Teridgerie.

**10.8 GT & PJ DITCHFIELD B10 (27735)**

Supporting the suggestion to name the new bridge over Teridgerie Creek on the Coonamble/Baradine Road *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge* in honour of the lady who was postmistress and telephone operator at the Teridgerie Post Office until it closed in April 1967. Considering the late Lucy Morrissey to be a worthy recipient of such a tribute.

**10.9 GRAHAM & ANNETTE RICH B10 (27741)**

Suggesting that two signs be placed at the eastern and western approaches to the new bridge – one reading *Teridgerie Creek*; the other *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge*. Saying Miss Morrissey was a well known and respected person, her dedication to running the post office and telephone exchange at Teridgerie was appreciated by all and this would be a way in which her memory could be honoured.

Council noted that the above seven items are all in connection with the new bridge recently completed over the Teridgerie Creek on the Baradine Road and suggest that it be named *The Lucy Morrissey Bridge*.

**10.10 CHARLIE, MARG & ANTHONY BECK B10 (27736)**

Referring to the new bridge recently built over the Teridgerie Creek on the Baradine Road and saying that they are not in favour of the name being changed from Teridgerie Bridge as it has been a landmark of the Teridgerie area and to change the name would cause unnecessary confusion.

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**6853 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that Council advertise its intention to name the new Bridge at Teridgerie and invite submissions as to a suitable name and consider the above eight letters when making a determination.

**10.11 NSW DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION G1-5  
(27639)**

Advising that the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) is running a Litter Campaign for Councils that have demonstrated anti-litter initiatives and has provided an opportunity to NetWaste to apply for funding of up to \$15,000 to run a litter prevention campaign using the *Council Litter Prevention Resource Kit*. Encouraging Council to participate with NetWaste in targeting littering in the local area.

**6854 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Taylor that Council's Director of Engineering be authorised to apply for funding of up to \$15,000 to run a litter prevention campaign.

**10.12 LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATIONS OF NSW E5  
(27660)**

Referring to the Commonwealth funded Local Government Natural Resource Management (NRM) Facilitator Program which provides funding to each State Association and the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) to employ an NRM Facilitator, for which funding will cease on 30 June 2008. Seeking Council's support for the reinstatement of the NRM Facilitator position and requesting that it write to both the Hon Peter Garrett MP and the Hon Tony Burke MP seeking their commitment to the continuation of the position and provide a copy of that correspondence to the LGSA.

**6855 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Canham and Taylor that Council make representations to Hon Peter Garrett and the Hon Tony Burke seeking their commitment to the continuation of the Natural Resource Management Facilitator Program.

**10.13 TONI GAY SCOBLE T5 (27652)**

Expressing objection to the two hour parking restrictions, saying she works at the newsagency arriving to work around 7.15 am and leaving about 5.30 p.m. (or later) daily. Stating she fears for her safety, especially since daylight saving finished as there is not sufficient lighting in the lane to the carpark, nor the carpark itself. Asking that the restrictions be terminated.

**6856 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that the writer be advised the issues referred to in her letter expressing objection to the two hour parking restrictions will be considered in conjunction with all submissions received when Council decides the future of the parking restrictions at the end of the trial period.

**10.14 COONAMBLE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE T5-1  
(27718)**

Advising the Committee recently discussed street signage for the Centre which is located in a residential/non-business area (Dubbo Street) and saying it is concerned that traffic is potentially unaware or vague as to its location. Requesting that signage be placed along Castlereagh and Aberford Streets to indicate the Centre's location and availability.

**6857 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Atkinson that the request from Coonamble Children's Services Committee to have signage installed to indicate the location and available of the Centre be referred to the next meeting of the Traffic Committee for determination, noting that the cost of signage will be at the expense of the applicant.

**10.15 DIRECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
R7 (27676)**

Reminding councils of their legal and community obligations in the safe exercise of their service functions. Saying that following a recent tragic incident the Deputy State Coroner made the following recommendations to the Minister for Local Government:

*"Local councils who are responsible for waste collection (either directly or through contractual arrangements) conduct a review and feasibility study in regard to the installation of rear vision camera systems capable of recording and storing images.*

*Further to the above, that a feasibility study be undertaken into relocating the monitor screen in waste disposal vehicles to an internal position between the steering wheel and the external rear vision mirror in use"*

Encouraging councils to consider the Deputy State Coroner's recommendations as part of a systematic, pro-active approach to risk minimization and public safety.

The Director of Engineering informed Council that he has made enquiries concerning the purchase and installation of the suggested rear vision camera system referred to by the Coroner. Mr. Russell said that he will make future investigations into having one fitted to the vehicle used by Council's Garbage Contractor.

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**6858 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Atkinson that Council instruct the Director of Engineering (through the General Manager) to ensure the legal duty of care is mitigated as much as possible.

**10.16 LIZ WOODHILL, "PIER PIER", COONAMBLE T5 (27704)**

Requesting a "Warning – School Bus Stop" sign on the corner of Carinda Road and Toora Lane, which is on a sweeping bend and carries a lot of trucks. Saying signage on both sides of the stop to warn drivers would be appreciated as six children catch the bus from this location.

**6859 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Callaghan and Atkinson the writer be informed the request has been referred to the next meeting Traffic Committee for inspection and determination after which she will be advised of the outcome.

**10.17 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT L9 (27720)**

Advising that the Local Government Skills Shortage Scholarships will again be offered in 2008. Listing the key objectives of the Program and pointing out that councils wishing to apply for the scholarship funds are required to develop their own program and to contribute to the cost of that program.

Encouraging councils to consider how the program can support employment of Aboriginal people and those from other diverse backgrounds, including women and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Councillors noted that the two types of scholarships offered appear not to be of any value to this Council due to the limited stereotypes and limited number available.

**6860 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Taylor that Council take no action in the matter.

**10.18 ROTARY CLUB OF COONAMBLE INC D7 (27721)**

Saying Rotary was pleased to be able to include a business directory in the local telephone book which was recently published and, although it increased the size and cost, indications are that it is extremely convenient and useful. Conveying appreciation for help and cooperation and understanding that Council was prepared to make a substantial contribution to assist with costs and asking that the amount be deposited into the Club's Project Account.

Council was advised that a letter has been forwarded to the Rotary Club congratulating it on the release of the 2008 Local Telephone Book. It was pointed out in the letter that Council made an allocation in its 2006/2007 budget towards including a 'business directory' in the book to support and promote local businesses.

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Councillors noted the Club was advised that despite this allocation being made in the previous financial year, Council is still keen to contribute towards this worthwhile project and stressed that the commitment was not intended as a donation, but as a financial contribution towards the additional costs of printing the book and, as such, Council will require from Rotary documentation showing the overall printing costs and an estimate of the additional costs involved.

The letter also reminded the Club of the extensive time committed by its Economic Development Officers in late 2007 and early 2008 in order to assist in compiling a comprehensive business listing. Council is now waiting on information from the Club to finalise its financial contribution.

**6861 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Cullen that Council endorse the General Manager's action in writing to the Rotary Club of Coonamble, informing it of Council's intention in this matter and note that staff will be finalizing the contribution following discussions with and receipt of information from Rotary.

**10.19 MURDI PAAKI REGIONAL ENTERPRISE CORPORATION C8  
(27722)**

Advising there is significant community support to establish a Crisis Care Service (CCS) in Coonamble as identified in the Coonamble Shire Crime Prevention Plan. Stating that MPREC Youth Services staff are regularly seeing effects of domestic violence on youth. Suggesting that support at both State and Federal levels should be forthcoming .

In his report to the meeting the General Manager said that this matter was discussed at the Information Session where the Management Plan was presented to the public and one of the organizers was to make a submission to Council for consideration when the Management Plan is to be adopted by Council in June.

**6862 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Atkinson that Council consider any submission made in respect of a Crisis Care Service for Coonamble in conjunction with the adoption of the 2008-2011 Management Plan.

**10.20 PREMIER OF NSW, MORRIS IEMMA**

Thanking Council for its contribution to the work of the Rural and Regional Taskforce and enclosing a copy of the completed Report. Saying the Taskforce was chaired by Dr Col Gellatly, who along with other members, listened intently to concerns expressed by rural communities. Advising 165 submissions were received and 628 people attended consultation meetings.

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Council noted that the Report is a 118 page document and was not reproduced in full, however two sections were been copied, viz the Executive Summary and Recommendations Summary, and attached to the Business Paper.

In a report to Council, the General Manager said that Councillors should give staff some direction in how it wishes to progress the matters included in the Rural and Regional Taskforce Report.

**6863 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Jackson that the report be noted and that staff address issues relative to this Council.

**10.21 ROTARY CLUB OF COONAMBLE D7 (27732)**

Advising that the Clay Pigeon Shoot to raise funds for Rotary programs is being held at "Youie" on Sunday 18 May. Stating that the shoot is in remembrance of Doug McKenzie and has become increasingly popular with local and visiting shooters largely due to excellent trophies which are on offer. Inviting Council to again consider making a donation.

A note by the General Manager informed the meeting that Council has always contributed towards this event and last year its donation was \$110.

**6864 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that Council agree to contribute towards the Clay Pigeon Shoot event to be held on Sunday 18 May 2008 and donate \$110 towards trophies for the day.

At this juncture, 10.02 a.m. Cr. Cullen left the meeting.

**10.22 COONAMBLE RURAL TRANSACTION CENTRE INC D5-4  
(27751)**

Pointing out that the Centre's continued aim is to increase vibrancy of the main street and staff are continually working to bring this to fruition. Saying it would assist the Committee if Council "could look closely at the rent paid" and requesting a ten year capping of the current rent of \$150/week. Suggesting that the Committee's representative, Cr Cullen, could elaborate on two projects the RTC is currently working on and saying these projects will benefit the community and local charities.

The A/General Manager reported that the Coonamble RTC Committee agreed to a lease at a rate of \$7,800/year (inclusive of GST) for the first five years, with rent for the next five years to be increased by yearly CPI. Councillors noted the lease was commenced in 2005 with the first review to commence from 4 September 2010. Mr. Warren informed the meeting that Council leases the site of the RTA Agency for \$5,700/year (including GST) and pays the rental for Outback Arts of \$8,100/year (including GST).

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It was further noted that given the initial outlay by Council and the continuing level of support by way of rental it is difficult to justify static rent of \$150/week as it is already well below market value. It was suggested that this matter should not be determined at this time, but considered in accordance with the Terms of the Lease which states that the "*first day option for renewal can be exercised 9 months before the end of this lease*" and the "*last day option for renewal can be exercised 3 months before the end of this lease*".

**6865 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Jackson that Council advise the Coonamble Rural Transaction Centre Inc. it is not willing to agree to a ten year capping of the current rent of \$150/week and will be adhering to the Terms and Conditions of the current Lease for the period 2010 – 2015.

At this stage, 10.05 a.m., Councillor Cullen returned to the meeting and gave a brief outline of the two projects the Rural Transaction Centre is currently considering.

**10.23 MUSEUM AUSTRALIA M6 (27776)**

Advising that last year the Lachlan Chapter of Museums Australia inaugurated Working Spaces for Museum Volunteers and extending an invitation to Council to participate in 2008. Pointing out that they will be hosting Working Spaces 2 from Friday 31 October to Sunday 2 November at Galong (near Yass) and there are spaces for 48 delegates. Stating that last year a number of delegates were sponsored by their local councils and providing this opportunity for Council to discuss the advantages of participation for museum volunteers.

**6866 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Atkinson that Council offer the Museum Volunteer Curator the opportunity to attend the Working Spaces for Museum Volunteers at Galong from Friday 31 October to Sunday 2 November with Council to pay costs in accordance with its staff policy.

**10.24 ATTORNEY-GENERAL B13 (27763)**

Advising that the Australian Government's Bushfire Mitigation Program aims to assist local communities better prepare for bushfires. Inviting applications for 2008/2009 – closing date of 30 June 2008 – and encouraging Council to consider any eligible activities in its LGA.

The meeting noted that Council only has one fire trail in its LGA although the RFS is looking at other options.

**6867 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Taylor Council authorise staff to submit an application for funding under the Australian Government's Bushfire Mitigation Program for fire trail maintenance, should the Rural Fire Service consider it practical to install further fire trails or carry out maintenance on the existing trail.

**10.25 SIR RODEN CUTLER CHARITIES - WHEELCHAIR ROLL CO-ORDINATOR C8 (27742)**

Advising that the planned date for the "Roll" event in Council's area is Wednesday, 13 August, 2008. Providing a 'Country Invite' document that can be circulated to various groups in the community with a view to having a representative of each on a planning committee for the event in this town.

Council noted that last year the local Cancer Support Group (through the Quota Club) was the recipient of funds raised by the Wheelchair Roll, however a significant amount of time and money was expended to facilitate the Roll and Council should consider whether it wishes to participate again.

The A/General Manager informed Council that there were costs involved through staff time and assistance provided for this event last year.

**6868 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Jackson that Council participate in this year's Wheelchair Roll in August and endeavour to obtain assistance from the three Service Clubs.

**Section B – For Information Only**

**10.26 DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT, REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT G5-38 (27601)**

Responding to Council's request for additional time in which to secure alternative co-funding for the Skate Park Project and advising that an extension has been granted to 30 June 2008. Reminding Council that no further extensions will be approved.

Council noted that The Deed of Variation to the Funding Agreement has been signed and returned to the Western NSW Regional Office at Orange.

**10.27 HEALTH SERVICE MANAGER, GILGANDRA/GULARGAMBONE MPS (GWAHS) I4 (27646)**

Forwarding a copy of letter written to Mrs Carmel Hurst in response to her concerns regarding needle/syringes found in the Gulargambone pool bin and other areas within the town. Pointing out that a large disposable bin is available for sharps at the same site as the packs. Advising she will contact Coonamble Shire Council to provide more bins at strategic locations to alleviate the problem.

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Councillors noted that no response has been received to Council's letter in connection with this matter following the April meeting.

**10.28 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING G5 (27650)**

Enclosing a Deed of Variation in relation to the Coonamble/Gulargambone Roadshow which includes the variation amount of \$7,700 (GST inclusive) and forwarding also a copy of the amended budget. Asking Council to sign both copies of the document and return them.

It was reported that both copies of the document have been signed on behalf of Council and returned, as requested to the Office for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health in Sydney.

**10.29 BRAD HAZZARD,MP – SHADOW MINISTER FOR PLANNING D5-22  
(27634)**

Referring to Council's response to his survey on proposed changes to the NSW Planning System and thanking Council for offering its views. Advising he is collating the responses and submissions for the NSW Liberal/Nationals Coalition.

**10.30 DIRECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
L10-1 (27632)**

Referring to the forum held in December 2007 to discuss strategies to increase the representation of women in local government decision-making roles at both the elected representative and staff levels. Inviting Expressions of Interest from any persons interested in filling the elected, council senior staff or women's organization positions on the Advisory Council.

**10.31 SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF NSW L9-1 (27658)**

Advising of three important events for consideration:

1) *Accentuate the Positive*

Registration for 2008 Shires Association Annual Conference – 2 – 4 June 2008 – Sofitel Wentworth Sydney. Saying it is necessary to advise names of voting delegates by Monday 19 May.

2) *Cultural Awards*

Presentation Dinner – Parliament House – Friday 2 May.

3) *Local Government Week & the Morpheum RH Dougherty Awards*

Enclosing entry form – closing date Tuesday 10 June 2008. Awards are given in two categories for publications, dedicated communication campaigns and special events.

**10.32 MURDI PAAKI REGIONAL ENTERPRISE CORPORATION C8-2 (27651)**

Providing a project management report on the Gulargambone Youth Centre and detailing progress so far with the new building and saying Council commenced earthworks on 25 March. Advising slight changes have been made to the building plans and giving reasons for such.

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**10.33 ROADS & TRAFFIC AUTHORITY F5-4 (27710)**

Confirming grants as follows for restoration of storm damage following the December 2007 flood:

- \$ 156,567 Regional Roads
- \$1,586,516 Local Roads.

Saying the schedule of works for local roads is inclusive of Council's \$29,000 contribution, hence RTA contribution is \$1,557,516.

**10.34 COONAMBLE GREYHOUND RACING CLUB INC L3-1 (27715)**

Thanking Council for its support in having race dates reallocated. Stating the Club has been granted 18 race dates and will receive funds for up to 180 races, when over that number the Club is required to self-fund races. Saying the Club will apply for 20 race dates. Again thanking Council for its support.

**10.35 WATERFORD RYAN LD8/08 (27685)**

Advising that Contracts for the purchase by Council of premises at 22 Yalcogrin Street, Gulargambone were exchanged on 8 April 2008 with settlement due on or before 20 May 2008.

In a report from the General Manager Council was advised that as a result of discussions at the April meeting regarding the reduction to one day per week of the Bawrunga Aboriginal Health Service it was ascertained that this would be increased as patronage grew. The report stated that should the Service ultimately close it is considered that the residence will be saleable.

**10.36 COMMITTEE ON THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN AND THE POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION B11 (27683)**

Drawing attention to the Local Government section of the NSW Ombudsman's Annual Report 2005/2006 regarding complaints about development applications. Stating that, in particular, the Ombudsman's observation (as follows) should be noted:

*"Councils continue to have responsibility for illegal works unconnected with the development consent and remain ultimately responsible for serving orders on recalcitrant developers. Complainants often raise multiple issues that may require action by both council and the private PCA."*

**10.37 THE HON FRANK SARTOR MP – MINISTER FOR THE ARTS L4 (27672)**

Referring to the independent review of the public library funding model to ensure the most effective application of funds for the benefit of NSW Public Libraries and saying Dr Tom Parry was commissioned to undertake the review. Enclosing a copy of the Review Report for information.

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Advising he has instructed the Library Council of NSW to work with the Director General, Department of the Arts, Sport and Recreation to provide advice on the distribution of 2008/2009 funding as soon as possible and on the full implementation of the Review's recommendations for introduction in 2009/2010.

A copy of the Report was available upon request.

**10.39 OFFICE OF HON JOHN WATKINS MP R2 (27671)**

Acknowledging receipt of Council's correspondence concerning completion of branch rail lines for cartage of harvest. Advising that the matters raised have been noted and are presently receiving attention. Saying a reply will be forwarded by the Director General as soon as possible.

**10.40 DUBBO CITY COUNCIL M5 (27644)**

Writing to the Mayor and referring to previous discussions and subsequent assistance in surveying of residents in various localities covered by OROC in respect of Health Services. Advising that the survey has been completed and provides various conclusions.

A copy of the letter was available at the meeting.

**10.41 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT S6 (27719)**

Advising that secondary employment, conflict of interest and pecuniary interest are issues which arise frequently and for which Departmental advice is sought. Saying this correspondence is provided to remind councils of the requirements of the Act and the Model Code of Conduct.

The General Manager included a copy of this Circular to each Councillor. The meeting noted that staff are periodically circularized and instructed to make declarations in respect to secondary employment and currently the matter is up to date.

**10.42 KEVIN HUMPHRIES, MP E5 (27744)**

Forwarding copy of letter from The Hon Verity Firth, M P, Minister for Climate Change & the Environment, in relation to funding options for a scientific study on the Castlereagh River.

**10.43 KEVIN HUMPHRIES, MP D5-22 (27764)**

Forwarding copy of letter from the Minister for Local Government, The Hon Paul Lynch MP, concerning representations made on Council's behalf regarding proposed planning reforms. Advising that as this matter falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Planning it has been referred to that Minister for consideration and appropriate action.

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**10.44 CAROLE DONOHUE T3 (27765)**

Saying she recently visited Coonamble and was most impressed by several things. Stating that the main reason for the letter is to congratulate Council for its selection of Manager of the Riverside Caravan Park, saying her attitude, local knowledge and help in general are to be admired. Pointing out that she visits lots of parks and found the Riverside Caravan Park's presentation and cleanliness well above average. Saying the town is a delight to visit, she purchased goods locally, enjoyed the Arts Centre and learned how local artists are encouraged and supported throughout the region. Saying, also that the stories of local characters on building walls were most enjoyable to read.

The A/General Manager informed Council that a response has been provided to Ms Donohue and a copy of her letter passed on to Ms. Furner.

**10.45 MICHAEL HORAN E800 (27712)**

Tendering his resignation from Council's employ. Regretting the short notice, however the continuing ill health of a family member makes this action necessary. Extending best wishes to Council.

Councillors noted that Mr Horan commenced duties with Council on 3 February, 1997.

**10.46 NICOLE CLEARY T5 (27733)**

Congratulating Council on the two hour parking trial in the main street. Saying she has been able to access the main street and utilize the facilities it offers without parking hassles. Stating that in her opinion the two hour parking is a huge benefit especially to the elderly, disabled, parents with young children and local business owners.

Councillors noted that a letter has been sent to Ms Cleary, informing her that all submissions, both for and against, will be considered in conjunction with Council's determination of the parking restrictions at the expiry of the trial period.

**10.47 LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATIONS OF NSW A17 (29766)**

Inviting submissions in the Local Government Multicultural Health Award 2008. Saying the award aims to recognize and encourage good practice in multicultural health initiatives in Local Government and to ensure that bilingual resources are recognized, promoted and accessible.

**10.48 EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

**E1 (26617)**

Inviting the Mayor to be an ambassador for the biggest volunteering effort for public schools – the Education Foundation’s national **Back to School** campaign for 2008. Advising that over the past six years more than 4000 people across Australia have returned to their primary and secondary schools during the month of May.

Councillors noted that this matter is now out of date and was not received in time to be considered at the April meeting of Council.

**6869 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that the information contained in Item Nos. 10.27 to 10.48 inclusive be received and noted.

**URGENT BUSINESS – CORRESPONDENCE**

**6870 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Jackson and Cullen that the following items be classified “urgent business” and dealt with:

**10.49 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**R4 (27812)**

Referring to Council’s 2007/2008 Statement of Compliance Return and its request to recover income written off as a result of the 20% limit on farmland rates. Stating the Minister has approved of Council increasing its notional general income by 3.203% for 2008/09 which includes the \$101 adjustment and forwarding a copy of the Instrument of Approval.

**6871 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Callaghan and Jackson that the information be noted.

**10.50 OUTBACK ARTS RADO**

**A11 (27852)**

Advising that Elizabeth Rogers, CEO of Regional Arts NSW, will be touring the region with the RADO and Ms Sam Newstead during the week of Monday 26 May. Stating they are constructing a tour of the region that would include Coonamble and Gulargambone on Friday 30 May 2008.

Council’s representative on the Outback Arts Board, Steven Baldwin, will meet with the group when it visits Coonamble on Friday 30 May, 2008 and if the General Manager is available, he will also met the Group.

**6872 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Canham that the meeting date be noted.

At this juncture, Cr. Atkinson left the room whilst this matter was being discussed.

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**10.51 MARTHAGUY PICNIC RACE CLUB D7 (27860)**

Thanking Council for its support in the past and acknowledging that Council agreed to cover the cost of the portable toilets for 2007, however the race meeting did not go ahead due to the EI outbreak.

Requesting that the offer of support be transferred to this year – the races are scheduled for Saturday 13 September and estimating that the cost would be around \$3,000 (GST net). Attaching a copy of the quotation from the supplier.

The A/General Manager informed the meeting that, in the past, Council has agreed to this support upon production of evidence of cost. Mr. Warren said this year the quote from Sam's Septic Service is \$3,000 + GST).

**6873 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Callaghan that Council agree to contribute \$3,000 (GST net) towards the cost of toilet facilities for the Marthaguy Picnic Races.

At this juncture, Cr. Atkinson returned to the meeting.

**10.52 CANCER COUNCIL OF NSW H2 (27865)**

Thanking Council for applying for a complementary SunSmart Marquee, advising only a limited number were on offer and unfortunately Coonamble was not successful. Looking forward to working with Council in other ways to reduce the impact of cancer in the community. Saying they could appreciate Council's input on their plans to develop new SunSmart signs for use by local councils and forwarding a survey to be completed by the Director of Engineering.

**6874 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Taylor that the information be noted.

**10.53 SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF NSW A17 & C13 (27862)**

Confirming that Cr Cullen will be receiving his Outstanding Service Award at the annual Conference Opening Ceremony on Tuesday 3 June – approximately 10.15 a.m. – main conference venue. Advising that the Governor of NSW, Professor Marie Bashir AC & Cr Bruce Miller will present the Awards.

The A/General Manager said a copy of the letter which provides further details on the presentation of Awards, has been handed to Councillor Cullen for his information.

**6875 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Callaghan that the contents of the letter be noted.

**10.54 DENISE FURNER C2-1 (27857)**

Saying that, with regret, she asks Council to release her from the lease of the Coonamble Riverside Caravan Park. Stating that due to personal reasons she has to leave Coonamble. Advising that she has purchased vans and equipment for the park and cannot leave until they are sold. Asking \$150,000 for everything she has at the Riverside Caravan Park, (bus in car port and Subaru Forrester are included). Stating that vans are all booked for the June and October long weekends this year and the following two years (with a waiting list) – the rest of the year has a 50% occupancy rate.

The A/General Manager informed Council that the lease between Council and Ms Furner expires in 2010, however he said that clause 5 (1) reads as follows:

*“The Tenant may not sublet, assign the Lease of part with possession of the leased premises or any part of them without the consent of the Landlord. The Landlord will not unreasonably withhold its consent.*

Mr. Warren said it should be noted that the sale of vans and equipment is entirely Ms. Furner responsibility.

**6876 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Jackson that Council agree, in principle, to Ms. Furner’s proposal to sub-lease the Coonamble Riverside Caravan Park to an approved third party in accordance with cl 5(1) of her lease and that Council also assist, where possible, in attempting to obtain a new tenant.

**10.55 LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATIONS OF NSW L9  
(27850)**

Advising that the incoming Australian Government is committed to pursuing constitutional recognition of local government and in response, the ALGA has commenced a campaign on behalf of all councils across Australia to ensure this commitment is met and that the right model for constitutional recognition is put to the people at a referendum.

**6877 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Jackson that the information be noted.

**10.56 TOURISM INDUSTRY COUNCIL NSW T3 (27863)**

Stating that it has made strong representations to the NSW Government on a number of critical issues which are important to the long term sustainability of tourism in this State, one of which is illegal camping being offered by a minority of Councils.

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Stating that the position outlined has been supported by the Department of Local Government (through the Director General), Department of Lands and Tourism NSW. Encouraging all Councils in NSW to support legitimate caravan parks and to ensure that illegal camping sites are not permitted to operate.

**6878 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Canham that Council note the information contained in the letter and advise Tourism Industry Council that illegal camping is not permitted within Coonamble Shire.

**10.57 ELECTORAL COMMISSION NSW E2 (27859)**

Advising that the NSWEC is required by law to conduct the elections and each Council is required by law to pay costs associated with its election. Stating that staff from the Commission have met with Council staff and provided a briefing on the range of services that will be provided.

Attaching a detailed budget estimate in the amount of \$50,300 for the cost of providing the election services to Council – stating that the budget does not include the cost of any Crown Solicitor's advice that may be necessary in connection with the election. Stating that in August 2008 Council will be invoiced for 85% of the estimate and at the end of the election an invoice for the balance listed under the various headings will be forthcoming.

At this juncture, 10.27 a.m., Cr. Swansborough arrived at the meeting.

The A/General Manager reported that this budget estimate is substantially higher than the amount allocated by Council and it will be necessary to provide a further \$15,000 - \$17,000 to cover the anticipated cost.

This matter was deferred for consideration until after the morning tea adjournment, when the Mayor would contact the General Manager to discuss the issue of a Returning Officer.

**10.58 NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS COMMISSION G5-1 (27876)**

Advising that the Commission wishes to visit Council on Thursday, 29 May 2008 from 1.30 p.m. (for approx. 2 hours) and asking Council to provide a light lunch during the meeting. Stating that the purpose of the visit is to explain the Commission's operations and the basis of its calculations as well as giving Council the opportunity to present its particular problems. Informing Council that the Commission's party will be :

Mr Grahame Gibbs, Deputy Chairperson  
Mr Frank Pangallo MBE, Commissioner  
Dr Elizabeth Coombs, Commissioner  
Mr Bruce Wright, Executive Officer.

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A copy of this letter was handed to each Councillor for his/her information. The A/General Manager stressed that attendance by as many elected members as possible is imperative.

**6880 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Cullen that the information be noted and that all Councillors endeavour to attend the meeting with the Grants Commission Officers.

**10.59 KEVIN HUMPHRIES, MP – MEMBER FOR BARWON E1 (27804)**

Advising that over the course of the year in Parliament he has raised a number of issues surrounding child welfare and levels of student attendance in many communities that is unacceptable. Saying he has had numerous calls and letters from many constituents who are genuinely concerned. Seeking Council's support in making the Education Minister aware of truancy and urging that Council write to the Minister – tell him what is happening in this community and what Council thinks needs to be done to get kids back into school.

**6881 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs.Cullen and Canham that Council write to the Minister for Education setting out the difficulties being experienced in this Shire with children not attending school **AND FURTHER** that a meeting of the three Principals and the Truancy Officer be called to formulate an appropriate representation to the Minister for Education.

**10.60 COONAMBLE RODEO & CAMPDRAFT ASSOCIATION INC T3-8  
(27872)**

Advising the Association intends to purchase a 20 ft shipping container to house records, etc and gear that is needed annually to run the event. Suggesting that an appropriate site for the container would be along the river fence near the Pony Club facilities, however if Council suggests another location please advise. Seeking a response as a priority to have the container in place before this year's event.

**6882 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Jackson and Canham that Council raise no objection to the siting of the shipping container at the Showground, subject to Council's Health and Building Officer liaising with representatives of other User Groups and that the site be selected in consultation with Council's Officer.

At this juncture, 10.28 a.m., Council adjourned for morning tea and resumed at 10.58 a.m. At this time the Mayor informed Council he had spoken with the General Manager concerning the estimated budget and selection of returning officer. Item 10.57 was now determined.

**ITEM 10.57 ELECTORAL COMMISSION NSW E2 (27859)**

**6883 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Cullen and Canham that Council make a submission to its 2008/2009 Management Plan to increase the vote by \$17,000 to meet the estimate provided by the NSW Electoral Commission **AND FURTHER** that Council note the extra cost of conducting the election on the basis of the estimate provided.

**11.0 REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER**

**6884 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Canham that the report submitted by the General Manager be received and dealt with.

**11.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

**6885 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Jackson that Development Application Nos. 005/2008 and 010/2008, as detailed in the report, be noted.

At this juncture, Council's Health and Building Officer, Mr. Matthew Cock, was present at the meeting to talk about renovations that are due to commence on the following building.

**11.2 PURCHASE OF PROPERTY – 22 YALCOGRIN ST, GULARGAMBONE**

The General Manager reported that Council purchased 22 Yalcogrin Street, Gulargambone as a residence for a medical practitioner. The meeting noted that Section 31 clause 2 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires Council, within three months after it acquires property, to classify the land as "community" or "operational".

Mr. Cock informed the meeting that he has engaged contractors to carry out various works and they are ready to begin. The amount of renovations was queried, as Council has no real commitment at this stage regarding the service being provided by Bawrunga Aboriginal Medical Service.

**6886 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Taylor and Canham that Council classify the property known as 22 Yalcogrin Street, Gulargambone as "operational land".

**6887 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Horan and Taylor that Council write to Bawrunga Aboriginal Medical Service to ascertain a written commitment on the provision of medical services in Gulargambone; noting at this stage Council understands the service is down to one day/week and being conducted by a Gilgandra-based doctor.

### **11.3 TEMPORARY OCCUPATION PERMITS**

The General Manager reported that Council has experienced a number of instances where the temporary occupation of caravans and garages/sheds has led to long term occupation and resulted in some instances of unsanitary conditions. Council noted that a policy, aiming to set minimum guidelines and streamline the approval process, has been drawn up for consideration.

**6887 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that Council:

1. Place the draft Temporary Occupation Permit Policy on public exhibition for 28 days.
2. Following the exhibition period Council formally consider the Temporary Occupation Permit Policy together with any submissions.
3. That Council set an application fee of \$110.00.

### **11.4 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. 012/2008 – PROPOSED PAVILION BUILDING**

In accordance with Council's policy for development on Council controlled land the subject proposal is put forward for consideration. The Director of Engineering advised the proposed new pavilion will replace the existing pavilion structure at the showground.

**6888 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Taylor that Council approve development application 012/2008 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the development, as identified in the application received by Council (D.A. 012/2008 ), be carried out in accordance with this consent, except where amended by the conditions of consent.

Notes:

- Any alteration to the drawings and/or documentation, as approved by Council, will require further Council consent, as per S96 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
- No other works, other than those approved by this consent notice, shall be carried out without the prior consent from Council.
- Where there is an inconsistency between the documents lodged with this application and subsequent approval, and the following conditions, the conditions shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

REASON:- To confirm the application to which this consent relates.

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2. Prior to the commencement of the proposed activity, a formal application for a Construction Certificate, together with all prescribed fees, plans and specifications be submitted to and approved by Council, or alternatively a privately certified Construction Certificate be lodged with council no less than forty eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of the proposed activity.

*REASON:- To confirm that any proposed 'work (s)' complies with the relevant standards.*

3. Before any site works, building or demolition begins the applicant must:
- (a) erect a sign in a prominent position on the site that can be read easily by anyone in a public road or other public place adjacent to the site. The sign is to be erected before the commencement of works and is to display the principal contractor's name, business telephone number, licence number, site address and the name, address and telephone number of the Principal Certifying Authority (PCA) and stating that unauthorized entry to the work site is prohibited. The sign or signs are to be maintained while the demolition and building works is being carried out and must be removed when the work has been completed.
  - (b) provide a temporary on-site toilet if access to existing toilets is not adequate
  - (c) protect the public land or place from obstruction, inconvenience or damage due to the carrying out of development.

*REASON: Council requirement to maintain public health, safety and convenience, protect the environment and compliance with statutory requirements.*

4. The developer shall notify Council, not less than forty eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of the 'work (s)' of:
- date of commencement of the 'work (s)';
  - name of the principle certifying authority for the issue of compliance, occupation and/or subdivision certificates;
  - form attached.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

5. Prior to the commencement of construction of the structure, the developer lodge with, and receive approval for the following listed S68 Local Approval (s):

- B1 – carry out water supply work
- B4 – carry out sewerage work
- B5 – carry out stormwater drainage work

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

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6. Prior to the occupation of the building/structure, the developer apply for, using the prescribed form and payment of the prescribed fee, an occupation (final or interim) certificate.

Notes:

- prescribed form attached;
- if certificate issued by a private certifier, the certificate is to be lodged with Council not less than forty eight (48) hours to the occupation of the building/structure.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

7. Use of the building for habitable purposes is prohibited. Further Council consent is required for a change of use.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement*

8. A Fire Safety Certificate must be provided with respect to all fire safety measures installed within the building specified by the Fire Safety Schedule. Such certification must be provided prior to a final inspection or application for occupancy is considered.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

9. All surplus roof water from rain water tank overflow and down pipes from the structure is to be conveyed approximately 10 metres away from the footings of the structure and any other building by means of a 90mm water pipe.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

10. The proposed land/building/structure/dwelling be connected to a 240 volts AC mains electrical supply as per the regional electricity supplier's requirements.

*REASON:- Provision of essential utility services.*

11. The existing dwelling be connected to the Council's sewer system, at the developers cost, to Council's standards.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

10. The building is to comply with the requirements of the Commonwealth Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Notes:

The granting of this consent does not imply or confer compliance with requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992, the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 and/or the Building Code of Australia.

- The Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 provide that it is an offence to discriminate against a person in a number of different situations;

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- Compliance with part D3 of the Building Code of Australia – Access for people with disabilities, will be deemed to meet the requirements for the provision of access for people with disabilities to Class 3, 5, 6, 7, & 9 buildings. The applicant should ensure that these matters are addressed in the plans and specifications submitted with the construction certificate application.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

11. Any use of the subject land shall not commence until all relevant conditions of consent have been met or unless other satisfactory arrangements have been made with Council.

*REASON:- To ensure compliance with conditions of consent.*

12. All work associated with the implementation/construction (not operation) of the approved development activity, involving the use of electric or pneumatic tools, or other noisy operations, shall be restricted to the following hours of operation:

Monday to Saturday	7am to 8pm
Sunday	8am to 8pm
Public Holidays	8am to 8pm

Notes:

- All noise generating activities are subject to the requirements of the Protection of the Environment Act 1977.
- This condition of consent does not relieve the developer (or employees, contractors, etc) from the requirements of the relevant Noise Control legislation.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

13. As PCA, Council requires the following inspections to be undertaken by Council before issuing an Occupation Certificate:

The Environmental Services Department is to be given 48 hours notice prior to the following inspections being made:

- a. at the commencement of the building work; and
- b. after excavation, and prior to the placement of any footings; and
- c. prior to pouring any in-situ reinforced concrete building elements; and
- d. prior to covering any of the framework for any floor, wall, roof or other building element; and
- e. prior to covering waterproofing in any wet areas; and
- f. prior to covering any stormwater drainage connections; and
- g. internal sanitary plumbing and drainage; and

- h. external sanitary plumbing and drainage; and
- i. hot and cold water plumbing; and
- j. after the building work has been completed and prior to any occupation certificate being issued in relation to the building.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

14. A temporary sanitary service shall be provided by the builder to the building site before building operations are commenced. In sewerred areas a temporary connection may be made to Council's sewer main.

*REASON: - To provide effective sanitation of the site during building construction.*

15. Prior to the commencement of construction works drawings shall be provided with respect to the installation and operation of fire hydrants and fire hose reels. Such drawings shall be accompanied by a certification that all proposed installations will meet the requirements of the Building Code of Australia and associated Australian Standards.

*REASON:- Statutory Requirement.*

#### **11.5 CONTRACT RANGER – VARIATION TO CONTRACT**

In a report to Council the General Manager advised that Foxearth Holdings Pty Ltd provides Contract Ranger services to Coonamble and Gilgandra Shire Councils at a 50/50 split. The current Ranger's Contract was initiated in October 2006 and does not include remuneration incentives, however does allow for a CPI increase each year. The report stated that the Contract Ranger is requesting a variation due, mainly, to the rising costs of fuel.

**6889 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Swansborough and Jackson that Council not approve a 5% special variation to the Contract for Rangers Services currently held by Foxearth Holdings Pty. Ltd.

At this juncture, 11.16 a.m., the Mayor vacated the Chair and left the room. Councillor Taylor took the Chair.

#### **11.6 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 031/2007 – MUTTAMA STATION INTENSIVE LIVESTOCK KEEPING ESTABLISHMENT - DETERMINATION**

Council's Health and Building Officer informed Council that once fully operational this development would have a total throughput of 8,000 head per annum – based on 12 pens each with an area of 3000 sq.m. which equates to a stocking rate of 19 sq.m/head (2,000 head total). Mr. Cock further advised that submissions and objections provided had been assessed and were considered by the consultants within their report.

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Councillors noted that its Consultant, Geolyse, in its report recommended that Council grant deferred commencement consent to the Development Application, subject to conditions.

The A/General Manager informed the meeting that if the development application is not approved, the next step would be to The Land and Environment Court for determination.

**6890 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Cullen and Atkinson that, after consideration of objections and submissions received, Council grant consent to the development of a 2,000 head permanent feedlot, on the following conditions:

- (a) Obtain owners consent for all allotments to which the DA relates; and
- (b) Once (a) has been obtained that Council grant consent to the development subject to the conditions outlined below.

**SCHEDULE "A"**

**Consent to operate a 2,000 head intensive livestock keeping establishment shall not operate until all of the following Schedule "A" conditions have been complied with to Council's satisfaction.**

**This consent shall be void if evidence is not produced within six (6) months of the date of the Notice issued by Council confirming that the matters listed below have been satisfactorily attended to.**

I.A Building Certificate, pursuant to section 149A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act), shall be applied for and attained from Council for all works on site associated with the intensive livestock keeping establishment that have not received previous development or building approval. The Building Certificate shall cover all such matters that a construction certificate, as defined by the EP&A Act, would normally cover.

**SCHEDULE "B"**

**This consent cannot operate until such time as Council is satisfied with the evidence produced in response to Schedule "A" and has notified the applicant in writing of the date from which the consent operates.**

**PRELIMINARY**

1. This consent shall lapse if the above development is not substantially commenced within five (5) years of the date shown hereon.
2. Development shall take place generally in accordance with the attached endorsed:
  - Environmental Impact Statement, prepared by SMK Consultants, dated May 2007; and

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- Addendum Report, prepared by SMK Consultants, dated November 2007;
- a) Except where modified by conditions of consent or as amended in red by Council. All amendments are to be incorporated in the Construction Certificate plans.

**General Terms of Approval**

3. Compliance with all General Terms of Approval issued by the Department of Environment and Climate Change (Notice No. 1081703).

**Appointment of Council or a Private Certifier as the Principal Certifying Authority (PCA)**

4. Either Council or a Private Certifier is to be appointed as the Principal Certifying Authority (PCA) for the development in accordance with Section 109E of the Act.

Accordingly, wherever reference is made to the Principal Certifying Authority in this Consent, it refers to Council or the Private Certifier as chosen by you.

**Note:** Once you have chosen either Council or a Private Certifier as the PCA, you cannot change from one to the other, or from one Private Certifier or another, without the approval of DoP.

5. That any road widening or land resumption required for public road purposes be undertaken at no cost to Council.

**PRIOR TO ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE**

**The following conditions must be complied with prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate. In many cases the conditions require certain details to be included with or incorporated in the detailed plans and specifications which accompany the Construction Certificate:-**

**Consistency with Endorsed Development Consent Plans**

6. The Principal Certifying Authority must ensure that any certified plans forming part of the Construction Certificate, are in accordance with the Development Consent plans.

**Road Works**

7. That a Construction Certificate be submitted to and issued by Council prior to road work commencing. Construction Certificate fees are to be paid prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

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8. As Principal Certifying Authority, Council will issue compliance certificates at satisfactory completion of the following stages of work:

(a) Road works

Inspection fees are to be paid prior to issue of the Construction Certificate in accordance with Council's inspection schedule.

9. The vehicular access to the development from the Coonamble-Quambone Road shall be upgraded to provide for a Type BAL Intersection in accordance with Figure 4.8.34 of the RTA's Road Design Guide. A minimum length of 40.5m shall be provided between the existing Coonamble-Quambone Road centre line and any gate that restricts access. Any gate that restricts access is to be inward opening. Pavement is to be designed with a minimum 30 year life.

Fully detailed plans of the proposed access treatment shall be submitted to Council for assessment as part of the Construction Certificate application for the intersection works. The applicant is required to bear the full cost of survey and design of these works.

10. Drainage is to be provided in the immediate vicinity of the intersection of the Coonamble-Quambone Road and the property access road to allow water flow west across the property access road. A minimum drainage of 450mm diameter culvert adjacent to a 30m long causeway is to be provided. The culvert is to be installed in accordance with the manufacturers' requirements. Fully detailed plans of the proposed drainage works shall be submitted with the Construction Certificate application.
11. A Traffic Management Plan shall be lodged with Council for any road and drainage works to be carried out within public road reserves, or where construction activity impacts on traffic flow or pedestrian access. The Traffic Management Plan is to be in strict compliance with the requirements of Australian Standard 1742.3 (Traffic Control Devices for Works on Roads). The Traffic Management Plan shall be submitted to council for assessment with the construction certificate application.
12. An Erosion and Sediment Control Plan for the construction works shall be submitted to Council for assessment with the Construction Certificate application. It is to be prepared in accordance with the guidelines *Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction* (Landcom 2004).

**PRIOR TO WORKS COMMENCING**

The following conditions are to be complied with prior to any works commencing on the site:

**Appointment of Principal Certifying Authority and Notification of Commencement of Work**

13. The person having the benefit of the development consent, not the principal contractor (builder), must: -
  - a) appoint a Principal Certifying Authority in accordance with Section 81A(2)(b) of the Act.
  - b) have the Principal Certifying Authority complete the 'Accredited Certifier Details' on the approved form provided by Council for this purpose, an original of which is attached to this Development Consent.
  - c) Notify Council of the appointment of the Principal Certifying Authority and of the intention to commence building work, such notification is to be given to Council at least two (2) working days prior to the proposed commencement date, and be on the approved form provided by Council for this purpose, an original of which is attached to this Development Consent.

*If nominated, Council can provide this service for you and act as the Principal Certifying Authority.*

- N.B.** The Principal Certifying Authority must also notify the person having the benefit of the Development Consent of any mandatory critical stage inspections and other inspections that are to be carried out in respect of the building work such notification must comply with Clause 103A of the Regulations.

**Notification of Principal Contractor (Builder)/Owner-Builder**

14. The person having the benefit of the Development Consent must:-
  - (a) notify the Principal Certifying Authority that the person will carry out the work as an owner-builder, if that is the case;

OR

  - (b) Appoint a Principal Contractor for the building work (who must be the holder of a contractor license if any residential building work is involved), and notify the Principal Contractor of any mandatory critical stage inspections and other inspections that are to be carried out in respect of the building work;

- (c) notify the Principal Certifying Authority of any such appointment.

Where Council is the Principal Certifying Authority, such notification is to be on the approved form provided by Council for this purpose, an original of which is attached to this Development Consent.

#### **Signs to be Erected on Sites**

- 15. A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out:
  - (a) showing the name, address and telephone number of the principal certifying authority for the work, and
  - (b) showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
  - (c) stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.

This clause does not apply in relation to building work, subdivision work or demolition work that is carried out inside an existing building that does not affect the external walls of the building.

**Note.** Principal certifying authorities and principal contractors must also ensure that signs required by this clause are erected and maintained (see clause 227A which currently imposes a maximum penalty of \$1,100).

#### **Road Works**

- 16. The applicant to arrange with the relevant public utility authority the alteration or removal of any affected services in connection with the development. Any such work being carried out at the applicant's cost.

#### **DURING CONSTRUCTION**

**The following conditions are applicable during construction:-**

#### **Endorsed Plans & Specifications**

- 17. A copy of the endorsed stamped plans and specifications, together with a copy of the Development Consent and Construction Certificate are to be retained on site at all times.

**Hours of Work & Display of Council Supplied Sign**

18. For the purpose of preserving the amenity of neighbouring occupations building work including the delivery of materials to and from the site is to be restricted to the hours of 7.00am to 6.00pm Mondays to Fridays and 8.00am to 1.00pm Saturdays. Work on the site on Sundays and Public Holidays is prohibited.

**Site Control**

19. All soil erosion measures required in accordance with the approved sediment and erosion control plan and any other relevant conditions of this Consent are to be put in place prior to commencement of construction works are to be maintained during the entire construction period until disturbed areas are restored by turfing, paving or re-vegetation.

**Compliance with Critical Stage Inspections and other Inspections nominated by the Principal Certifying Authority**

20. Section 109E(d) of the Act requires certain specific inspections (prescribed by clause 162A of the Regulations) and known as 'Critical Stage Inspections' to be carried out for building work. Prior to permitting commencement of the work your Principal Certifying Authority is required to give notice of these inspections pursuant to clause 103A of the Regulations.

- N.B.** An Occupation Certificate cannot be issued and the building may not be able to be used or occupied where any mandatory critical stage inspections or other inspections required by the Principal Certifying Authority are not carried out.

Where Council is nominated as Principal Certifying Authority, notification of all inspections required is provided with the Construction Certificate approval.

**Aboriginal Objects**

21. Should any Aboriginal objects be discovered during excavation works, the works shall cease immediately and the Western Aboriginal Heritage Unit of the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC) be contacted for advice on (02) 6883 5330.

A copy of this report shall be forwarded to:

The Chairperson  
Coonamble Local Aboriginal Land Council  
PO Box 385  
COONAMBLE NSW 2840

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**PRIOR TO OCCUPATION/USE**

**The following conditions are to be complied with prior to occupation/use of the development:-**

**Principal Certifying Authority**

22. An Occupation Certificate is to be issued by the Principal Certifying Authority prior to the use of the access driveway.
23. A Compliance Certificate or similar documentary evidence is to be issued by the Accredited Certifier stating that all building and site works have been carried out in accordance with the Development Consent and Construction Certificate.
24. A compliance certificate for the construction of driveways, footpath paving, kerb and guttering and roadworks shall be obtained from Council and be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority.

**General Terms of Approval**

25. An Environmental Protection Licence shall be obtained, prior to use of the development in accordance with this consent, from the Department of Environment and Climate Change in accordance with the General Terms of Approval issued by the Department of Environment and Climate Change (Notice No. 1081703).

**Environmental Management Plan**

26. The Environmental Management Plan shall be amended to provide measures to manage the impacts of climate change on the development, being: increased heat stress on animals, decreased water supply, more intense storms and associated flooding, and availability of feed. In this regard, measures shall be included in the Environmental Management Plan to provide for:
  - (a) Contingency measures for the management of stock, to maintain their health and welfare, in times of low or no water supply.
  - (b) Measures to manage stock and maintain their health and welfare as a result of increased heat stress.
27. The development shall be undertaken in accordance with best management practices to reduce emissions from livestock waste as identified by Climate Change in Agriculture and Natural Resource Management (CLAN) Agriculture Working Group. 2006, *Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Australian Agriculture: The Role of Benchmarking in Driving Best Management Practice*, being:

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- i. Use of grain treatment processes that maximise digestibility and minimise the amount of organic matter in manure (e.g. steam flaking or grain tempering).
- ii. Design of feeding systems to maximise feed usage, and to reduce spillage and spoiling of feed (Feeding system designs for feedlots can be found in 'Designing better feedlots' manual, Watts and Tucker, 1994).
- iii. Minimising wastage by monitoring feed areas to ensure feed is not supplied in excess of animal requirements.
- iv. Monitoring weather conditions to avoid feeding immediately before rainfall events, as wet feed is more likely to spoil.
- v. Removing spoilt feed from the feed system and deposit it in the manure stockpile.
- vi. Applying manure removed from pens or soil onto the surface of vegetated land areas if practical and operational considerations allow,
- vii. Applying of nutrients based on an assessment of crop demands (as above),
- viii. Using active composting instead of stockpiling practices,
- ix. Dewater ponds by irrigation to crops or pastures to avoid overtopping and reduce anaerobic conditions,
- x. Ensuring solids that accumulate at the bottom of the pond as a by-product of anaerobic digestion are removed, to be stockpiled, actively composted or spread directly onto land.
- xi. Investigating covering of anaerobic ponds for abatement of greenhouse gas emissions or entrapment and subsequent use of biogas for electricity generation.

These measures shall be integrated into the Environmental Management Plan for the operation of the development.

**CONDITIONS RELATING TO USE**

**The following conditions are applicable to the use of the development:-**

**Road Works**

28. The development shall not operate until an occupation certificate has been issued in accordance with Condition No. 21 of this consent.

**Environmental Management Plan**

29. The development shall be operated in accordance with the Environmental Management Plan as submitted to Council in Appendix 1 of the Addendum to the EIS dated November 2007 and as amended by the conditions of this consent.

**Water Supply**

30. Water supply for the development shall only be sourced from the three harvestable rights dams located on the site. No water shall be supplied to the development from the stock and domestic bore licensed by 80BL240061 other than as permitted by that licence.

**Safety & Amenity**

31. Any lighting utilised in association with the development shall not emit light at a rate of more than 999,999 lumens.

**ADVISORY NOTES**

- A. Section 97 of the Act provides that an applicant who is dissatisfied with the Council's determination of the Development Application may appeal to the Land and Environment Court within twelve (12) months of the date of determination, or as otherwise prescribed.
- B. Section 82A of the Act provides that an applicant may request, within twelve (12) months of the date of determination of the Development Application, that the Council review its determination (this does not apply to integrated or designated development). A fee is required for this review.
- C. The applicant and Owner are advised that the Commonwealth Disability Discrimination Act 1992 may apply to this particular proposal. Approval of this application does not imply or confer compliance with this Act. Applicants and owners should satisfy themselves as to compliance and make their own enquiries to the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission. Attention is also drawn to the provisions of Parts 2, 3 and 4 of Australian Standard 1428 - Design for Access and Mobility.

At this juncture, 11.23 a.m., the Mayor returned to the meeting and resumed the Chair.

**12.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

**6891 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Jackson and Taylor that the report by the Director of Corporate Services be received and dealt with.

**12.1 RATE COLLECTIONS**

**6892 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that the Total Combined Rate Collections to 30 April 2008 be noted.

**12.2 LIST OF INVESTMENTS**

**6893 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that that the Investments held at 30 April 2008 be noted.

**12.3 STATEMENT OF RESERVES**

**6894 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that Council note the Reserves Estimated as at Budget Review 31 March 2008.

**12.4 GOODS & SERVICES TAX – COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE**

**6895 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Callaghan and Taylor that ;the necessary elected members and staff be authorised to sign the Certificate of Compliance for GST for the period 1 May 2007 to 30 April 2008.

**13.0 REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING**

**6896 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Jackson that the report by the Director of Engineering be received and dealt with.

**13.1 RURAL ADDRESSING**

The Director of Engineering submitted a detailed report concerning the formalisation of road names. He pointed out that further public consultation has been conducted and informed Council of the outcome. Mr. Russell also tabled a list of the suggestions and recommendations for Council's determination.

**URGENT BUSINESS – RURAL ADDRESSING**

**6897 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Atkinson and Taylor that the following item be classified "Urgent Business" as Council wishes to finalise road naming for the purpose of Rural Addressing.

**13.1.1. Additional Submissions – Road Names**

<b>Road No</b>	<b>Existing Council Road Name</b>	<b>Suggestions Received</b>	<b>Recommendation/ Comments</b>
140B	Orwell	Road now split into two roads	Recommend southern road called Orwell South Road
35	Morningside	Part of SR140B be consolidated into SR35 to reflect traffic flow	Part of SR140B be consolidated into SR35 to reflect traffic flow.

**6897 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Jackson that Council gazette road names proposed in the Director of Engineering's Report, subject to there being no objections raised by the public during the required public exhibition period.

At this juncture, Community Facilitator, Mrs. Tanya Hind was present at the meeting.

### **13.2 SKATE PARK**

The Director of Engineering presented to Council three options in Smith Park for the location of the proposed skate park. He pointed out that the building of the park has become a priority as the majority of funds have to be acquitted by the end of June, 2008.

The three options in Smith Park are as follows:

- 1) Northern end of the park;
- 2) Centre of park near Picnic Shelter;
- 3) Front of park near where the netball courts are currently located.

Mrs. Hind informed the meeting that there is a \$15,000 shortfall in the provision of funds, because the cost of installation was not included in the original submission. However, she said it may be possible to get that funding from programs administered by her.

**6898 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Jackson that Council proceed with the proposed Skate Park project at location identified as Option 3 and that the netball court affected by this siting be moved so that all four netball courts will be available.

At this juncture, 12 noon, Mrs Hind left the meeting.

### **13.3 WORKS PROGRAM UPDATE**

The Director of Engineering provided a works program update and spoke briefly on some of the projects currently in hand:

- Toilets in Macdonald Park – close to completion;
- Smith Park toilets on the roster;
- Tree planting program underway – currently Lions Park, Tooloon Street, and next week Highway;
- Macdonald Park playground area being fenced – exterior fence will then be removed;
- Car park at Showground/Greyhound – stabilised and will be trafficable during the rodeo weekend;
- Teridgerie Bridge – will be opened next week;
- Gulargambone Bridge – under construction;
- Water treatment trial – performing well. Estimate for approval will be forthcoming to next meeting for a permanent installation on at least one bore.

**6899 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Jackson that the Works Program Update provided by the Director of Engineering be noted.

#### **14.0 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

##### **(a) Castlereagh-Macquarie County Council**

Councillor Cullen requested that Council be provided with a copy of the financial statements for a 12 month period from the Castlereagh Macquarie County Council. Councillor Taylor agreed to provide this information.

**6900 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Cullen and Atkinson that the General Manager of the Castlereagh-Macquarie County Council, Mr. Ian Kelly, be invited to address Council.

##### **14.1 MANAGEMENT PLAN QUARTERLY REVIEW TO 31/02/2008**

The A/General Manager reported on the budget which was presented to the meeting. Mr. Warren answered questions from Councillors on various items and gave explanations on items which have been identified as having impact on the budget.

**6901 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Canham that Council:

- (a) adopt the Management Plan Review and approve the variations in votes, as listed in the Financial Statements, for the quarter ended 31 March 2008; and
- (b) note that Council's financial position is considered satisfactory by the Responsible Accounting Officer.

At this juncture, Council's Economic Development Manager, was at the meeting to present the report.

#### **15.0 REPORT BY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER**

**6902 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Jackson and Taylor that the report by the Economic Development Manager be received and dealt with.

Ms. Glasson reported on the status of projects the EDMs have been working on as follows:

- Abattoirs – three new enquiries – information sent;
- Great Artesian Basin – Water Sharing Plan – plan due for release 1 July 2008;
- Dental services – Coonamble has 3 days/week service currently;
- Bore Baths – three prospective sites identified.
- Bush Tucker project – MPREC to pursue funding for a full feasibility study and business plan for an Intensive Horticulture/Bush Tucker project in Coonamble.
- Business Awards – next week – public to nominate business in various categories – nominations close 30 June.

**6903 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Jackson that Council endorse the action of the Mayor in providing a letter of support to Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation towards obtaining funding for a Feasibility Study and Business Plan for an Intensive Horticulture/Bush Tucker project at Coonamble.

**15.1 SUMMARY STRATEGY – HERITAGE MANAGEMENT – COONAMBLE SHIRE – 2008/09 – 2010/11**

**6904 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Atkinson that Council adopt the Draft Summary Strategy for Heritage Management for period 2008/09 – 2010/11, pending endorsement by the Heritage Advisory Committee.

At this juncture, the Economic Development Manager left the meeting and the Tourism Development Manager was in attendance to present his report.

**16.0 REPORT BY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT MANAGER**

**6905 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Taylor and Atkinson that the report by the Tourism Development Manager be received and dealt with.

**(a) Outback Arts – Tour of Region**

Mr. Baldwin informed the meeting that the CEO of Outback Arts, together with the RADO and Sam Newstead will be in Coonamble on Friday, 30 May 2008 and would like to meet with the General Manager and himself.

**(b) Streets Ahead Committee**

Council noted that the position of Chairperson of the Streets Ahead Committee has not yet been filled, however Mr. Baldwin advised that a further meeting is scheduled on Thursday, 15 May and it is hoped that an appointment will be made.

Mr. Baldwin briefly touched on the following items:

- Bore baths
- New website – under development and will be available within 5 weeks
- Vibe Alive – coming to Coonamble in August – expecting a big event;
- Quambone signs up
- Rodeo and Campdraft – working on promotion
- Prime TV – visiting Coonamble on Thursday, 15 May to cover several issues.

**(c) Train Arriving at Coonamble**

Mr Baldwin informed Council that a train is arriving in Coonamble on Sunday 8 June 2008 (long weekend) with 70 people, who will have two hours to spend in the town. Council noted that the Service Clubs will be approached regarding catering. The TDM suggested that a bus may be provided to take them on a quick tour of the rodeo and the museum.

Cr. Swansborough requested that Council carry out mowing/cleaning of the Railway Station surrounds before the arrival of the visitors.

**17.0 REPORT BY SALEYARDS MANAGER**

**6906 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Taylor and Swansborough that the report by the Saleyards Manager for the month of April 2008 be received and noted.

**17.1 2008 SALEYARD OPERATORS' AGM/CONFERENCE**

**6907 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Canham and Taylor that authority be given to Council's Saleyards Manager to attend the Conference at Kempsey from 23 – 25 July, 2008, in company with Councillor Cullen.

**18.0 REPORT BY CONTRACT RANGER**

**6908 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Atkinson and Jackson that the report submitted by the Contract Ranger for the month of April 2008, be received and noted.

**(a) Hours of Duty**

Councillors suggested that the Contract Rangers carry out random patrols as it appears the community is aware of when they in town and abide by laws, in relation to dogs and parking, only at that time.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Councillor Swansborough**

- Lawn cemetery – policy for headstones – back to next meeting.
- Local suppliers – noting there is a Buy Local Policy, but requesting that all local suppliers be given the opportunity to quote when items are being sought;
- Computer system – advice from the A/General Manager was that there is nothing wrong with the computers, however difficulty is being experienced with the main server.

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**Councillor Callaghan**

- Toilets at Gulargambone Park – very dirty and unsatisfactory state
- Soccer fields – requested that burrs on the fields be sprayed.

**Councillor Canham**

- Watering System at Sportsground – asked that Director of Engineering investigate whether relevant staff are able to operate the system.

**Councillor Cullen**

- Mandatory training courses – A/General Manager informed the meeting it seems that in the future councillor training will be compulsory.

**Director of Engineering**

- Informed Council that he spoke at the Inquiry into Water and Sewer Sustainability held at Tamworth.. General Manager of Warrumbungle Shire has suggested Council consider an alliance between Coonamble, Gilgandra and Warrumbungle – which would share engineering resources. At the Inquiry discussion indicated that Council should pursue the alliance arrangement.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 1.20 p.m.

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