

Bland Shire Council

Minutes

Extra Ordinary Council Meeting

28 April 2015



OUR VISION, MISSION AND VALUES



MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 28 APRIL 2015

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MAYOR

ETHICAL DECISION MAKING AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
A guiding checklist for Councillors, Officers and Advisory Committees

Ethical Decision Making

- Is the decision or conduct legal?
- Is it consistent with Government policy, Council's objectives and Code of Conduct?
- What will the outcome be for you, your colleagues, the Council, anyone else?
- Does it raise a conflict of interest?
- Could your possible conflict of interest lead to private gain or loss at public expense?
- Can the decision be justified in terms of public interest?
- Would it withstand public scrutiny?

Conflict of Interest

- A conflict of interest is a clash between private interest and public duty. There are two types of conflict: Pecuniary – regulated by the Local Government Act and Office of Local Government and, Non-pecuniary – regulated by Codes of Conduct and policy. ICAC, Ombudsman, Office of Local Government (advice only).

The test for conflict of interest

- Is it likely I could be influenced by personal interest in carrying out my public duty?
- Would a fair and reasonable person believe I could be so influenced?
- Conflict of interest is closely tied to the layperson's definition of "corruption" – using public office for private gain.
- Important to consider public perceptions of whether you have a conflict of interest

Identifying Problems

1st - Do I have private interest affected by a matter I am officially involved in?

2nd - Is my official role one of influence or perceived influence over the matter?

3rd - Do my private interests conflict with my official role?

Whilst seeking advice is generally useful, the ultimate decision rests with the person concerned.

Agency Advice

Officers of the following agencies are available during office hours to discuss the obligations placed on Councillors, Officers and Advisory Committee members by various pieces of legislation, regulation and Codes.

Contact	Phone	Email	Website
Bland Shire Council	6972 2266	council@blandshire.nsw.gov.au	www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au
ICAC	8281 5999 Toll Free: 1800 463 909	icac@icac.nsw.gov.au	www.icac.nsw.gov.au
Office of Local Government	4428 4100	dlg@dlg.nsw.gov.au	www.dlg.nsw.gov.au
NSW Ombudsman	9286 1000 Toll Free: 1800 451 524	nswombo@ombo.nsw.gov.au	www.ombo.nsw.gov.au

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Extra Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The meeting was opened by the Mayor with the introduction and welcome at 7.00pm.

2.0 ATTENDANCE

2.1 Councillors

Cr P Grellman
Cr L Hampton
Cr K Keatley
Cr T Lord (arrived 7.10pm)
Cr L McGlynn
Cr B Monaghan
Cr L Pike
Cr N Pokoney
Cr P Templeton

2.2 Staff

General Manager – Ray Smith
Director Asset & Engineering Services – Will Marsh
Director Corporate, Community & Development Services – Adele Casey

2.3 Apologies

Nil

3.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

4.0 STAFF REPORTS

That the Council receive the staff reports.

4.1 Making Of The Waste Management Charges 2015/16

Council Recommendation:

11042015 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Keatley seconded Cr Grellman that the Council makes the Waste Management charges for the year 2015/2016 for inclusion in the 2015/2016 budget preparation. **CARRIED**

Council Recommendation:

12042015 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley:

DOMESTIC WASTE MANGEMENT CHARGE

THAT a Domestic Waste Management Charge be now made in respect of Residential premises within the area of the Council of Bland where a domestic waste management services is available, as follows:

(a) Land, which is occupied and/or built upon-

Standard 240L domestic service:

Barmedman	\$329.00
Ungarie	\$329.00
West Wyalong/Wyalong	\$329.00
Weethalle	\$329.00
plus \$329 per extra collection.	

Standard 120L Domestic Service:

West Wyalong/Wyalong	\$267.00
Ungarie	\$267.00
Barmedman	\$267.00
Weethalle	\$267.00
plus \$267 per extra collection.	

(b) Vacant Land able to be built upon \$27.00. **CARRIED**

Council Recommendation:

13042015 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Keatley:

TRADE WASTE SERVICE CHARGE

THAT an annual charge be made on land categorised as **Business Land** within the area of the Council of Bland and which is provided by Council with a trade waste removal service as follows:

Standard 240L Collections:

West Wyalong/Wyalong	\$343.00
Ungarie	\$343.00
Barmedman	\$343.00
Weethalle	\$343.00
plus \$343.00 per extra collection	

Standard 120L Collections:

West Wyalong/Wyalong	\$280.00
Ungarie	\$280.00
Barmedman	\$280.00
Weethalle	\$280.00
plus \$280.00 per extra collection.	

Annual Waste Management Charge

A charge of \$27.00 per property will apply to all properties not within a serviced area for the DWMS, under Section 501 of the Local Government Act. **CARRIED**

4.2 Making Of Sewer Special Rate Charges 2015/16

Council Recommendation:

14042015 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Pike seconded Cr Grellman that the Council makes the Sewer Special Rate charges for the year 2015/2016 for inclusion in the 2015/2016 budget preparation. **CARRIED**

Council Recommendation:

15042015 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Pike seconded Cr Grellman:

SEWER SPECIAL RATE

It is hereby **RECOMMENDED** that a Sewerage Special Rate be now made for the year commencing on 1 July 2015 subject to a minimum amount of six hundred and eighty five dollars (\$685.00) excepting any assessment in respect of the land not built upon nor connected to sewer mains in which case the minimum amount shall be, one hundred and sixty dollars (\$160.00) and that the charge to be made for non-rateable land provided with sewerage services shall be:

- (a) Land defined in Clause 184(1) of former Ordinance 46 under the Local Government Act 1919- \$138.00 for each water closet on the premises and \$72.00 per annum for each cistern serving any urinal on the premises.
- (b) Land defined in Clause 184(2) of former Ordinance 46 under the Local Government Act 1919- \$138.00 for each water closet on the premises and \$72.00 per annum for each cistern serving any urinal on the premises. **CARRIED**

4.3 Draft Budget 2015-2016 Considerations

Council Recommendation:

16042015 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Grellman seconded Cr Hampton that:

- 1. Council consider each of the following draft budget adjustments for 2015/16 individually.
- 2. The inclusion of \$150,000.00 for establishing a VIC at 184 Main Street, West Wyalong.
- 3. The inclusion of \$50,000.00 (P.A x 4 years) for main street works.
- 4. The reinstatement of Tourism Projects to \$35,000.00.
- 5. The reinstatement of Promote Tourism to \$35,000.00.
- 6. The reinstatement of Donations to \$50,000.00.
- 7. The addition of \$5,000.00 towards the Festival in the West for 2015.
- 8. The allocation of \$50,000.00 for Public Relations. **CARRIED**

4.4 Integrated Planning & Reporting (IPR) Framework – Adoption Of Draft Documents 2015/16

Council Recommendation:

17042015 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn seconded Cr Templeton:

1. That the following DRAFT documentation be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, commencing 29 April 2015, in accordance with the legislative requirements of the Local Government Act 1993:
 - Delivery Program 2013 - 2016
 - Operational Plan 2015/16, including Budget & Revenue Policy 2015/16
 - Long Term Financial Plan 2015-2025
 - Workforce Assessment Plan & Strategy 2015-2019
 - Asset Management Plan 2015
2. That all public comments, submissions and input from staff and councillors to the Draft IPR documents for the 2015/16 year be provided to an Extra Ordinary Council meeting to be held on 2 June 2015 commencing at 6.30pm.
3. That all staff involved in the preparation of the IPR documents be congratulated for a job “well done”. CARRIED

5.0 CLOSE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 7.10pm.

At this stage, 7.10pm, Cr Lord arrived.

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