

# **UNCONFIRMED MINUTES**

## 4 JULY 2012

## **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday 4 July 2012 at the Council Chambers, Nabawa, commencing at 3:00pm

Stuart Billingham CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Of the outcome of the application or request of the decision made by the Shire of Chapman Valley.

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#### SHIRE OF CHAPMAN VALLEY MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NABAWA 3:00PM WEDNESDAY, 4 JULY 2012

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#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

#### 1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS

The Chairman, Cr John Collingwood welcomed Elected Members and Staff and declared the meeting open at 3:15pm.

#### 2.0 LOYAL TOAST

The Presiding member proposed a loyal toast to her Majesty the Queen.

### 3.0 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE (PREVIOUSLY APPROVED)

3.1	<u>Present</u>		
	Cr J Collingwood Cr P Batten Cr P Forrester Cr T Royce Cr P Humphrey Cr D Bell	President Deputy	North East Ward North East Ward North East Ward North East Ward South West Ward South West Ward
	Mr Stuart Billingham Mr Simon Lancaster Mrs Karen McKay Mr Ken Barndon		Chief Executive Officer Manager of Planning Executive Assistant (Minute Taker) Works Supervisor (from 3.25pm)
3.2	<u>Apologies</u>		
	Cr A Farrell		North East Ward

#### 4.0 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

#### 5.0 AGENDA ITEM:

Shire of Chapman Valley – 2012 SAT Amended budget

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	Shire of Chapman Valley - 2012 SAT Amended
SUBJECT:	Budget
PROPONENT:	Chief Executive Officer
SITE:	Shire of Chapman Valley
FILE REFERENCE:	404.03
PREVIOUS REFERENCE:	
AUTHOR:	STUART BILLINGHAM

#### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil

#### REPORT PURPOSE

To present to Council for Adoption the amended 2012 Budget for re-adoption after the State Administrative Tribunal quashed the 2011/12 Rates GRV category on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2012. (Amended Budget papers are submitted as a separate attachment, as per the Department of Local Governments Example 2)

#### BACKGROUND

The Department of Local Government received a copy of the Shire of Chapman Valley 2011 2012 Annual Budget in September 2011. The Department's Compliance section upon review discovered a breach of Section 6.35(4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

#### Section 6.35 (4)(b) states the following

"A minimum payment is not to be imposed on more than the prescribed percentage of -........ ...(b) the number of properties in each category referred to in subsection (6)"

#### COMMENT

The Chief Executive Officer in conjunction with the Manager Finance and Administration has prepared an Amended Budget for the 2011/12 year incorporating the Rates Shortfall of \$38,527 and the February Budget Review.

#### STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Shire of Chapman Valley 2011/12 Budget

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Yes

Jan 2012 Budget review Balanced Budget Amended Budget - Estimated Budget Deficit of \$38,527 due to reduction in Rate income from GRV Minimums.

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Annual Budget

#### **VOTING REQUIRMENTS**

Absolute Majority Vote Required

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL DECISION:**

#### MOVED: CR PAULINE FORRESTER

#### SECONDED: CR DAVID BELL

That the Council:

- 1. Notes the State administrative Tribunal has quashed the general rate and minimum payments imposed by the Shire of Chapman Valley on 17 August 2011 in accordance with s 6.82 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, as the 'GRV' minimum payment did not comply with s 6.35(4)(b) of the Act as it was applied to more than 50% of properties on that general rate.
- 2. Adopts a budget for 2011/2012 in accordance with section 6.3 of the *Local Government Act 1995* which:
  - a) Subject to modifications set out in resolution 3, is in the same form and manner as the annual budget adopted at the Council meeting held on 17 August 2011 (recorded as item 10.4.8 and included as Attachment 10.4.8 to the minutes of that meeting and tabled herewith), also incorporates the Budget Review amendments adopted by Council on 21 March 2012 item 10.3.2;
  - b) Reduces the amount to be yielded by the general rate to \$1,830,119, which is \$38,527 less than the budget deficiency and within the statutory limit on the amount estimated to be yielded by the general rate provided for by section 6.34 of the Act.
- 3. Notes that the modifications referred to in resolution 2 change the following schedules and notes:
  - a) Statement of Comprehensive Income by Program
  - b) Statement of Comprehensive Income by Nature and Type
  - c) Statement of Cash Flows
  - d) Rate Setting Statement
  - e) Note 7 Net Current Assets
  - f) Note 8 Rating Information
  - g) Note 15 Note to the Statement of Cash Flows

So that these schedules and notes, as modified, are in the form and manner set out in Attachments listed below to this report.

4. In accordance with s6.32(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, imposes the following general rates and minimum payments:

#### GRV Rates

GRV Other	0.0915
GRV Town sites	0.0915
Minimum Payments	
GRV Other	\$628
GRV Town sites	\$628

- 5. Notes that resolutions 2, 3 and 4 above are required to validate the general rates and minimum payments levied and that a credit will be allocated to those ratepayers affected by the amended 'GRV minimum Payment' whose minimum payments reduce as a consequence of this reimposition.
- 6. Approves Budget Amendment to COA 3372 Road Maintenance General IE Code Materials be reduced from original budget of \$100,000 by \$38,527 to \$61,473.

#### ABSOLUTE MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

Mr Ken Barndon entered chambers at 3.25pm

#### CARRIED Voting 6/0 Minute Reference 07/12-1

#### 6.0 CLOSURE

The Presiding Member thanked all Elected Members and Staff for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 3.37pm.