

TOWN OF BASSENDEAN

MINUTES

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 48 OLD PERTH ROAD, BASSENDEAN

ON TUESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 6.30PM

1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open, welcomed all those in attendance and acknowledged the past and present traditional owners and custodians of the land on which the meeting was held.

2.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND ADDRESS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

2.1 Public Question Time

Nil

2.2 Address by Members of the Public

Nil

3.0 ATTENDANCES, APOLOGIES & APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Present

Councillors

Cr Renee McLennan, Mayor
Cr Bob Brown, Deputy Mayor
Cr John Gangell
Cr Kathryn Hamilton
Cr Sarah Quinton
Cr Jai Wilson

Apologies

Cr Melissa Mykytiuk

Officers

Ms Peta Mabbs, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Paul White, Director Corporate Services
Mr Kallan Short, A/Director Community Planning
Mr Phil Adams, Executive Manager Infrastructure
Mr Salvatore Siciliano, Manager Recreation & Culture
Mrs Amy Holmes, Minute Secretary

Public

Nil

Press

Nil

4.0 REPORTS

4.1 Major and Significant Events Sponsorship and Grants Application for 'Spookfest' (Ref: GRSU/PROGM/26 – Salvatore Siciliano, Manager Recreation and Culture)

APPLICATION

This report provides for the assessment of an application for sponsorship from the Old Perth Road Collective (OPRC), for a Halloween Event on 31 October 2019.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – ITEM 4.1(a)

SCM2 – 1/09/19 MOVED Cr Hamilton, Seconded Cr Quinton that Council suspend Standing Orders, the time being 6.34pm.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6/0

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – ITEM 4.1(b)

SCM2 – 2/09/19 MOVED Cr Wilson, Seconded Cr McLennan, that Council resume Standing Orders, the time being 6.50pm.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6/0

Cr Wilson moved the officer recommendation with the addition of a Point 3.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION/OFFICER RECOMMENDATION –
ITEM 4.1

SCM2 – 3/09/19 MOVED Cr Wilson, Seconded Cr Gangell, that Council:

1. Receives the Major and Significant Events Sponsorship and Grants application lodged by OPRC for Spookfest 2019; and
2. Approves funding in the amount of \$5,600 from the 2019/20 Budget for the Old Perth Road Collective (OPRC) for the staging of the Spookfest Event to be held on Thursday 31 October 2019, on the condition that:
 - a. The Town establishes a joint working party with the OPRC to deliver the event and build the capacity of its members, given that the group is relatively new;
 - b. The above working party develop a program outline for the event by the end of September for approval by the Director Community Planning; and
3. **Notes a comprehensive evaluation of the event will be undertaken in order to inform future decisions regarding events.**

CARRIED 5/1

Crs Wilson, Gangell, McLennan, Brown & Quinton voted in favour of the motion. Cr Hamilton voted against the motion.

Cr Hamilton requested her reasons for not supporting the application be recorded, as follows:

“I believe that we need to provide value for money for our ratepayers. Given the short timeline I have doubts about the adequacy of the application. I believe we should get value for money from these grants. I would like to see greater detail in these applications in future.”

4.2 Major and Significant Events Sponsorship and Grants Application for WonderRealm Bassendean 2020 (Ref: GRSU/PROGM/26 – Mona Soliman Acting Director Community Planning)

Cr John Gangell declared an Impartiality Interest for the WonderRealm application as he is the MC of the event and has a close relationship with the applicant. Cr Gangell left the meeting at 7.00pm.

APPLICATION

This report provides for the assessment of an application for sponsorship from Nella Fitzgerald Events (NFE) for funding for WonderRealm Bassendean 2020.

Cr Wilson moved the officer recommendation with the addition of a Point 5.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION/OFFICER RECOMMENDATION – ITEM 4.2

SCM2 – 4/09/19 MOVED Cr Wilson, Seconded Cr Quinton, that Council:

1. Receives the Major and Significant Events Sponsorship and Grants application lodged by Nella Fitzgerald Events for the 2020 WonderRealm event;
2. Approves funding in the amount of \$50,000 to Nella Fitzgerald Events for the staging of the 2020 WonderRealm event to be held from 8 to 10 and 14 to 16 February 2020;
3. Notes that given the large scale of the event, that an independent evaluation be conducted at the conclusion of the event to review process and outcomes; and
4. Approves waiver of all applicable fees and charges for the use of the Town's Bassendean Community Hall, Bassendean Senior Citizens Centre and the BIC Reserve which are venues for the event.
5. **Enters into a funding agreement with the applicant to be clear that the Town's allocation is for up to \$50,000 based upon funding for logistics, infrastructure and marketing expenses only.**

CARRIED 4/1

Crs Wilson, Quinton, McLennan and Brown voted in favour of the motion. Cr Hamilton voted against the motion.

Cr Gangell returned to the meeting at 7.36pm.

4.3 Australia Day Celebrations and Fireworks Event – Assessment against the Sponsorship and Grants Policy (Major and Significant Events Sponsorship and Grants Guidelines - Ref: Salvatore Siciliano, Manager Recreation and Culture (Ref: GRSU/PROGM/26)

APPLICATION

The purpose of this report was for Council to reaffirm its commitment, including the released funds, for the staging of the Town's 2020 Australia Day event against the new Sponsorship and Grants Policy (Major and Significant Events Sponsorship and Grant Guidelines).

COUNCIL RESOLUTION/OFFICER RECOMMENDATION – ITEM 4.3

SCM2 – 5/09/19 MOVED Cr Wilson, Seconded Cr Hamilton, that Council:

1. Reaffirms its support for the staging of the 2020 Australia Day Celebrations and Fireworks Event on Sunday 26 January 2020 at Ashfield Reserve;
2. Supports the release of \$154,285 and notes a forecast income of \$20,340 for the staging of the 2020 Australia Day event; and
3. Notes a comprehensive evaluation of the event will be undertaken in order to inform future decisions regarding events.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6/0

4.4 Implementation of Differential Rates for the 2019/20 Financial Year (Ref:LAWE/LOCLWS/2 – Paul White, Director Corporate Services)

APPLICATION

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) recently advised the Town of Bassendean that the differential rates adopted by Council at its Ordinary Council Meeting on 23 July 2019 did not meet the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995* (LGA) in two respects:

- GRV - Vacant Residential Land minimum payment; and
- Advertising requirements.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION/OFFICER RECOMMENDATION –
ITEM 4.4

SCM2 – 6/09/19 MOVED Cr Wilson, Seconded Cr Quinton, that Council:

1. Notes the following actions taken by the administration:
 - (a) For rates notices that were retrieved prior to issue, interim rates were levied and the resulting combined rates notice was issued, with covering letter A;
 - (b) For rates notices that were not retrieved prior to issue, interim rates were levied and a separate interim rates notice was issued, with covering Letter B;

to apply the standard rate of 7.302 cents in the dollar and minimum payment of \$1,106; and
2. Requests that a Differential Rating Report be provided for consideration by Council in advance of the 2020/21 Budget workshops.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6/0

5.0 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed, the time being 7.38pm.