

# SHIRE OF MT MARSHALL



## MINUTES OF MEETING

### Electors' General Meeting

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Electors  
held on Wednesday 15 December 2010,  
in Council Chambers, 80 Monger Street,  
Bencubbin commencing at 1:02pm**

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Date

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Cr PA Gillett

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President



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## **Minutes of the Electors' General Meeting held Wednesday 15 December 2010**

### **1.0 Declaration of Opening / Announcement of Visitors**

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 1:02pm, welcoming Mr Ron Collins, Mr Craig Sachse and Mr Len Cargeeg to the meeting and directed their attention to the disclaimer.

### **2.0 Record of Attendance / Apologies / Approved Leave of Absence**

#### **In Attendance**

Cr PA Gillett	President / Presiding Member
Cr IN Miguel	Deputy President
Cr MP Hogan	Councillor
Cr DA Miguel	Councillor
Cr RN Breakell	Councillor
Cr MR Shemeld	Councillor
Cr CJ Kirby	Councillor
Mr Matthew Gilfellow	Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr Rod Munns	Shire Engineer
Mrs Lauren Grylls	Executive Assistant / Elector
Mr Len Cargeeg	Elector
Mr Ron Collins	Elector
Mr Craig Sachse	Elector

#### **Apologies**

Mrs Jennie Walker	Elector
Mr Berwyn Walker	Elector

### **3.0 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Electors' General Meeting**

#### **3.1 Minutes of the Electors' General Meeting held 16 December 2009**

##### **2010/201 RESOLUTION:**

**That the Minutes of the Electors' General Meeting held on Wednesday 16 December 2009, with a correction to the number of affirmative votes for resolution 2009/276 from 7/0 to 11/0, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.**

**Moved CJ Kirby**

**Seconded Cr RN Breakell**

**Carried 10/0**

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### **4.0 Receiving of Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2010**

#### **2010/202 RESOLUTION:**

**That the Annual Report of the Shire of Mt Marshall for the period ended 30 June 2010 be endorsed.**

**Moved Cr IN Miguel**

**Seconded Cr MP Hogan**

**Carried 10/0**

### **5.0 General business as the President thinks fit or as the majority of the Electors present may decide**

#### QUESTION 1

Mr Craig Sachse

Mr Sachse questioned when and why did Council decide to build a shed for one existing business instead of trying to attract a new business to town.

The Presiding Member responded that initially the shed's purpose was to attract new business however the purpose changed when one business proposed taking on the shed to help the expansion of their business. This was deemed a favourable use as it meant the shed would not have a period where it was not occupied.

Mr Sachse responded that as no financial figures were provided to his business, under those circumstances he was unable to make a decision.

#### QUESTION 2

Mr Craig Sachse

At which Ordinary meeting did Council resolve to build a shed for Bencubbin Smash Repairs, and what selection criteria was used in selecting his business to go into the shed?

The Presiding Member responded that the decision was not made at council level but instead out of council due to the lobbying from Bencubbin Smash Repairs.

#### QUESTION 3

Mr Craig Sachse

Why was there no liaison by Council with other local business in the way of a costing to assess their interest in moving to a bigger premises?

The Presiding Member responded that the project had been in the budget for the past two years. The budget is freely available to the public.

#### QUESTION 4

Mr Ron Collins

Mr Collins queried the procedures of public consultation on the matter.

The Presiding Member responded that Council had not contravened Local Government Act 1995.

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The Acting Chief Executive Officer also advised that there will be a period to allow for submissions to be made from the public prior to any leases being signed. This will fulfil the obligations of the Local Government Act.

### **QUESTION 5**

Mr Ron Collins

Was the plan for the Shire to earn an ongoing income from the property via a lease, or to develop and dispose of Lots 38, 39 and 40 Monger Street?

The Presiding Member responded that a lease/buy arrangement would be entered into in order to recover the expenditure on the shed. The transfer of property would only be made once the full cost had been recovered.

### **QUESTION 6**

Mr Craig Sachse

Mr Sachse was concerned about the effect on his own, and other existing local small businesses of direct competition with from the proposed tenant of the industrial shed. In seeking support of Council he asked what parameters does Council intend to put in place to ensure that Bencubbin Smash Repairs does not go into direct competition with exiting business?

The Acting Chief Executive Officer explained that a permitted use clause will be put into the agreement in order to limit competing activities.

The Presiding Member informed Mr Sachse that Council will respond in writing to him with regard to the matters raised.

### **QUESTION 7**

Mrs Lauren Grylls

Mrs Grylls expressed her desire to see Council run some sort of campaign to encourage the community, and perhaps neighbouring communities, to shop locally in Mt Marshall. She commended the actions of the Shire in co-ordinating a farmers 'information and support day' but would like to see the Council support all small business not just farming enterprises.

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<b>6.0</b>	<b>Closure of Meeting</b>
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The President thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 1:49pm.

These Minutes were confirmed by the Council at the Electors' General Meeting held on

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Date

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Cr PA Gillett

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President