

MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT YARRAWONGA
COMMUNITY HALL, ORR STREET, YARRAWONGA,
ON MONDAY, 22 JUNE 2009**

The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Tim McCurdy (Deputy Mayor)
Councillor Edward Cox
Councillor Judy Heather
Councillor Garry Jones
Councillor Brian Keenan
Councillor Alex Monk
Councillor Jessie McCallum
Councillor Peter Robinson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gary Arnold	Chief Executive Officer
Chris Cowley	Director Corporate and Community
Mark Foord	Manager Infrastructure Planning

1. CALLING TO ORDER – CEO

The CEO called the meeting to order

2. PRAYER

The Deputy Mayor read the Prayer.

Almighty God we humbly ask you to guide our deliberations for the welfare and benefit of the Moira Shire and its people whom we serve.

Amen

3. APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor David McKenzie, Mayor and Gary Van Driel, Director Development and Environment attending National General Assembly of Local Government in Canberra.

4. DECLARATION UNDER ACTS, REGULATIONS, CODES OR LOCAL LAWS

Nil

5. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS OF ANY INTEREST OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION:

CRS. GARRY JONES / JUDY HEATHER

That the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 18 June 2009, as prepared and circulated be confirmed

(CARRIED)

7. OFFICERS REPORTS FOR DETERMINATION

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Meeting closed at 6.28 pm



**GARY ARNOLD
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

<p>FILE NO: 120.02.0008 5. WORKING TOGETHER COUNCIL PLAN ACTION NO. 5.2.2</p>

<p>ITEM NO: 6.1 (CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, GARY ARNOLD)</p>
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MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES

1. Executive Summary

At the 20 April 2009 Ordinary Meeting of Council a resolution was made to propose the level of Mayoral and Councillor allowances and to seek community comment under the right to make a submission process under s 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Following a statutory period of 28 days from publication of a public notice on the proposal no submissions on the proposal were received. Council now needs to resolve to adopt the proposed level set for Mayoral and Councillor allowances.

2. Discussion

A public notice on the proposal was published in local papers on 20 May and 3 June 2009, with submissions invited and received up until 5pm on 16 June 2009. No submissions were received on the proposed Mayoral and Councillor allowances.

Background

Section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1989* ("the Act") requires that a Council must review and determine the level of Mayoral and Councillor Allowances within 7 months after a general election. The allowances set will be for the coming four year period until the next review takes place following the general election to be held in November 2012.

Council is required to determine the level of Mayoral and Councillor Allowances within the range set by the Order in Council, which classifies Moira Shire Council as a Category 2 Council. The allowances comprise two parts. Part A provides lower and upper range limits and levels of annual allowances applicable to Council categories, which for Category 2 councils are:

Mayoral allowance limit	up to \$62,500
Councillor allowances range and limit	\$8,400 - \$20,200

Part B is the equivalent of the superannuation guarantee contribution (currently 9%) for councils not receiving the Superannuation Guarantee Contribution. However, it should be noted that Part B is not superannuation. Each councillor may decide to have any part of their total allowance paid into a superannuation fund of their choice.

The allowance level set by Council will be subject to annual review by the Minister under section 75B of the Act, which will have regard to movements in the levels of remuneration of executives within the meaning of the *Public Administration Act 2004*.

In reviewing allowances Council determined that upper limit of the range set for Part A was appropriate, being: \$20,200 for the Councillor Allowance; and \$62,500 for the Mayoral Allowance. This level is considered appropriate given:

- the large geographic area that comprises the municipality of Moira Shire;
- the complexity and range of issues faced, including the impact of prolonged drought and increased population growth in some areas; and
- the level of allowance set needs to be sufficient to ensure it does not become a barrier to maintaining and recruiting candidates at the next election.

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5. WORKING TOGETHER
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ARNOLD)

MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES (cont'd)

3. Financial Implications

Allowances are already set (approximately) at the rates proposed. The financial implications for Mayoral and Councillor allowances would be \$244,269 per year.

4. Community Consultation

As required under s 74(4) of the Act an opportunity was provided for submissions to be made under section 223 on the proposed Mayoral and Councillor allowances. A public notice of the proposal was first published on 20 May 2009 and submissions were received for a 28 day period ending on 16 June 2009. No submissions were received on the proposal.

5. Legislative / Policy Implications

Local Government Act 1989

Recognition and Support, The Victorian Government's Policy Statement on Local Government Mayoral and Councillor Allowances and Resources (April 2008)

6. Environmental Implications

Nil

7. Conclusion

The review and determination of Mayoral and Councillor allowances has been undertaken as required by the Act. Allowances will be at the upper limit within the range for a Category 2 council, which continues the status quo and will assist the Mayor and Councillors fulfil their duties across the municipality.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council having conducted a review of Mayoral and Councillor allowances and meeting its statutory obligations under section 74 and section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* set the annual allowance at the maximum limit set for a category two Council, being:

Mayoral Allowance	– \$68,125, comprising Part A \$62,500, plus Part B \$5,625
Councillor Allowance	– \$22,018, comprising Part A \$20,200 plus Part B \$1,818

MOTION

CRS. GARRY JONES / BRIAN KEENAN

That the recommendation be adopted.

(CARRIED)

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ITEM NO: 6.2 (DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY, CHRIS COWLEY)

COUNCIL PLAN (INCLUDING THE STRATEGIC RESOURCE PLAN) - WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE FUTURE

1. Executive Summary

The Council Plan includes the strategic objectives of the Council, strategies for achieving the objectives, for at least the next 4 years, including strategic indicators for monitoring the achievement of the objectives.

The Strategic Resource Plan (SRP) is a plan of the resources required to achieve the Council's strategic objectives expressed in the Council Plan. The SRP must include in respect of at least the next four financial years details of Council's financial and non-financial resources. In our plan the SRP includes information in relation to the next ten years.

In accordance with section 125 of the Local Government Act ("the Act") A Council must prepare and approve a Council Plan within the period of 6 months after each general election or by the next 30 June, whichever is later.

2. Discussion

The Council Plan has been developed with a strong understanding of the key physical and strategic issues facing Council in fulfilling its role of fostering future growth and development for the people of the Shire. It defines the strategies Council will employ in endeavouring to meet these challenges and ensure continued growth and prosperity for the municipality.

There remain a number of strategic challenges ahead, including the renewal of Council's growing asset base, the continuation of an appropriate range and level of services to a growing community, the maintenance of a sound financial position and protection of our natural environment.

The Strategic Resource Plan (SRP) details Council's borrowing strategy, asset renewal funding, proposed capital expenditure investment and enables delivery of an acceptable range and level of services. The revenue raising strategy proposes how the required funds will be raised from rates and charges, user fees and government grants.

The Council Plan contains five pillars each with major corporate outcomes and strategies defined.

The five key pillars are Liveable Shire, Healthy Living, Growing Shire, Our Environment and Working Together.

The Council Plan focuses on renewing ageing assets, development of strong Tourism support, protecting the environment, meeting the needs of a growing municipality and ensuring financial sustainability into the future.

The pillars, outcomes and strategies in the Council Plan aim to meet these needs and continue to deliver on Council's mission, values and vision for the community.

The Council Plan is a four year plan that sets the strategic direction, strategies and actions for the organisation. The actions to deliver the Council Plan are detailed in the Corporate Business Plans that focus Moira Shire employees to provide services and programs in accordance with the mission, values and vision of Council.

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The SRP importantly ensures the strategies and actions in the Council Plan are funded and the financial and resourcing implications of the demands on Council are discussed.

The Budget 2009/10 ultimately determines resource and project priorities.

3. Legislative Framework

The requirement for the Council Plan inclusive of Strategic Resource Plan (SRP) is detailed under sections 125 and 126 of the Local Government Act 1989.

4. Community Consultation

Council commenced consideration of its Council Plan at the Councillor Strategic Workshop held in February 2009 and has considered a number of drafts.

The key priorities for this Council moving forward are:

- Ensuring a Financially sustainable Council – responding to budget pressures
- Demonstrating Transparent and open Government – engaged with community
- Playing a key role in diversifying the employment base
- Leading an Environmentally, Economically and Socially sustainable community
- Demonstrating that we are a strategic thinking Council
- Fulfilling a strong relationship with Government (Federal and State) and Moira Community

Community workshops were conducted at seven locations across the shire on 23 and 24 March to gain community input into the direction that Council had drafted. From these community workshops Council have developed a draft document for presentation to the community. Members of the community are encouraged to make submissions to Council on any aspect of the Council Plan.

Following adoption of the draft Council Plan workshops were conducted at the following four locations throughout the shire commencing at 7:00pm:

- Yarrowonga Community Hall and Nathalia Community Centre, Dancock's room – 28 May 2009; and
- Cobram Civic Centre and Numurkah Council Chambers – 4 June 2009

The formal period for submissions commenced on 20 May 2009 and concluded on 16 June 2009.

There were no submissions received in relation to the Council Plan.

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5. Financial Considerations

Financial considerations in relation to this report are contained within the budget.

6. Environmental Implications

The Council Plan contains a specific environmental pillar to ensure Council maintains an environmental focus on its operations.

7. Conclusion

The Council Plan 2009/10 to 2012/13 (including the SRP) has been extensively resourced and is now required to be considered for adoption.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Adopt the Council Plan 2009/10 to 2012/13 in accordance with Section 125(1) of the Local Government Act 1989.
2. Adopt the Strategic Resource Plan in accordance with Section 126(3) of the Local Government Act 1989.
3. Forward the Council Plan incorporating the Strategic Resource Plan to the Minister for Local Government by 30 June 2009, in accordance with Section 125(1) (b) of the Local Government Act 1989.

MOTION

CRS. JESSIE MCCALLUM / EDWARD COX

That the recommendation be adopted.

(CARRIED)

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COUNCIL PLAN ACTION NO. N/A

ITEM NO: 6.3
(DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND
COMMUNITY, CHRIS COWLEY)

ANNUAL BUDGET 2009/10 AND DECLARATION OF RATES AND CHARGES

1. Executive Summary

The proposed Budget for the 2009/10 financial year was received by Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 18 May 2009. At that meeting, Council resolved to give public notice in accordance with Section 129 of the Local Government Act 1989 ("The Act") of Council's intention to adopt the Proposed Budget as presented.

The Proposed Budget was advertised, in accordance with statutory requirements, calling for public submissions and six (6) were received.

2. Discussion

In compliance with the requirements of Section 129 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, Council resolved to place the 2009/10 proposed budget on public exhibition seeking comments on its content.

As part of the community consultation process Council conducted four (4) budget workshops across the shire. The workshops were held in the following locations:

- Yarrawonga and Nathalia on 28 May
- Cobram and Numurkah on 04 June

In each of the towns one session was held at 7:00 pm. The attendance at these meetings was as listed below:

Town	Attendance
Yarrawonga	1
Nathalia	2
Numurkah	7
Cobram	2
	12

Invitations to attend these workshops were sent out to all Community Coordinator groups and Section 86 Committees.

The public submission period closed on the 16 June 2009. Council received six (6) written submissions as listed below:

1. St James Hall Committee

Notification of offer from Coles for \$110,000 for the renovations to the entrance of St James Hall. Seeking Council's assistance to apply for further grants.

Officer Comment:

Council's Grants Officer will assist the Committee in the preparation and lodgement of additional funding applications to enable the refurbishment of the St James Hall.

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2. Resident, Yarrawonga

Thank you for considering forming a court bowl at the western end of Linthorpe Drive, Yarrawonga.

Officer Comment:

Council has allowed part funding for this project within the 2009/10 Budget and Council officers are seeking a contribution from the developer to allow this project to proceed.

3. Yarroweyah Memorial Hall

Request allowance for the purchase of trestles for the hall.

Officer Comment:

No allowance has been made within the 2009/10 Budget. Response has been provided to the Committee indicating that funds will be sought as part of the 2010/11 Budget.

4. Resident, Strathmerton

Request that Council install a walking track from Strathmerton Primary School to Strathmerton Recreation Reserve.

Officer Comment:

Engineers are currently re-scoping this project to be delivered in two stages i.e. Stage 1 – Primary School to Murray Valley Highway and Stage 2 – Murray Valley Highway to Recreation Reserve (this stage will include the installation of a pedestrian crossing over the railway line).

The proposed costing for Stage 1 is \$20,000 and Stage 2 \$190,000.

The projects have been assessed in Council's Project Priority Assessment Model (PPAM) system and as a whole project the PPAM score is 55. Generally projects with a minimum score of 70 are included for funding as part of the Capital Works Program.

As a Staged project, Stage 1's PPAM score is 57 and Stage 2's PPAM score is 55.

Similar projects have previously been funded when a 2 to 1 grant was obtained from State Government. If a 2 to 1 grant was obtained in relation to Stage 1 the PPAM score would increase to 71.

Council review inclusion of this project at later Quarterly Budget reviews.

5. Resident, Koonoomoo

Request to fund sealing of Ulupna Bridge Road, Ulupna and Mywee-Koonoomoo Road, Koonoomoo. Resident has asked to be heard regarding their submission.

Officer Comment:

Not currently in Council's future plan for sealing either road. Currently developing a priority list of road improvements that support Tourism in line with Council's revised focus on Tourism and Economic Development. These projects will be assessed against priorities within the Shire in general.

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6. Resident

Anonymous complaint regarding proposed rate rise.

Officer Comment:

This submission cannot be considered as it was not signed.

A special meeting of Council was conducted on Thursday 18 June 2009 for the purpose of hearing submissions. Only one submitter requested to be heard in relation to his submission. Mr John Hay of Koonoomoo was present at the meeting and was heard.

3. Financial Implications

The proposed budget has been structured as per the measured defined in the Strategic Resource Plan (SRP). One of the key measures in the SRP is the working capital ratio. The proposed working capital ratio is sitting at 1.30 which is the target level. Given that the working capital ratio is currently at the target level only minimal budget movements can be considered with out moving this ratio out of the prescribed target level.

4. Community Consultation

- Public advertisement advising proposed budget on public exhibition as per requirements of Section 129 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989.
- Budget meetings held in 4 locations.
- Invitations sent to Community Coordinator groups and S86 Committees of Management, seeking input.
- Copies of documents available at service centres and agencies.
- Public advertisement advising proposed budget on public exhibition as per requirements of Section 129 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989
- Budget meetings held in 4 locations as follows:
 - Yarrawonga and Nathalia on 28 May 2009 and
 - Cobram and Numurkah on 04 June 2009.
- Copies of the proposed budget were available at all service centres and agencies and invitations were sent to all Community coordinator groups and S86 Committees, seeking input.

5. Legislative / Policy Implications

Local Government Act 1989

6. Environmental Implications

All environmental implications have been addressed as part of preparation of this budget. There are no implications evident as a result of this report.

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7. Conclusion

Council has sought community input and feedback on the proposed budget for 2009/10. Six (6) submissions were received and one submitter was heard by Council in support of his submission at the Special Meeting of Council held on Thursday 18 June 2009.

It is recommended that Council, following considerations of the submissions received, adopt the 2009/10 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Budget 2009/10 be adopted in accordance with Section 130(1) of the Local Government Act, 1989, after having been advertised in accordance with Section 129 of the Act and considering the submissions received, with the following amendment:
 - o That Council supports the St James Hall Committee in their endeavours to refurbish the St James Hall and that Council liaise with the Committee to seek additional external grant funding to fund the project. For the purposes of seeking grants Council identify a notional contribution of up to \$110,000 to match the GJ Coles contribution in the 2010/11 financial year.
2. That Council having received late notification of its successful grant application to provide additional funds to continue its Drought Recovery and Boroondara Cares programs, note that the grant funds of \$28,530 will be brought to account in the September 2009 quarterly review. This will enable the continuation of these valuable programs at a net cost of \$13,364 until 30 June 2010.
3. That Council write to all submitters thanking them for their submissions and advising them of Council's decision and the reasons therefore.
4. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to give public notice of this decision to adopt the Budget, in accordance with Section 130(2) of the Local Government Act 1989.
5. Amount intended to be raised:
 - An amount of \$20.83 million (or such other amount as is lawfully raised as a consequence of this resolution) be declared as the amount which Council intends to raise by general rates, the municipal charge and the annual service charge (described later in this Resolution), which amount is calculated as follows:

• General Rates	\$13.69 million
• Municipal Charge	\$3.42 million
• Garbage Charge	\$0.81 million
▪ Recycling Charge	\$0.74 million
▪ Environmental Levy	\$2.17 million
4. General Rates
 - 4.1 A general rate be declared in respect of the 2009/2010 Financial Year.
 - 4.2 It be further declared that the general rate be raised by the application of differential rates.

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- 4.3 A differential rate be respectively declared for rateable land having the respective characteristics specified below, which characteristics will form the criteria for each differential rate so declared:
- 4.3.1 General Vacant Land
- Any land:
- 4.3.1.1 on which no building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected; and
- 4.3.1.2 which does not have the characteristics of:
- 4.3.1.2.1 Farm Vacant Land;
- 4.3.1.2.2 Commercial Vacant Land;
- 4.3.1.2.3 Industrial Vacant Land; or
- 4.3.1.2.4 Rural Residential Vacant Land.
- 4.3.2 General Building Land
- Any land:
- 4.3.2.1 on which a building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected; and
- 4.3.2.2 which does not have the characteristics of:
- 4.3.2.2.1 Farm Building Land;
- 4.3.2.2.2 Commercial Building Land;
- 4.3.2.2.3 Industrial Building Land; or
- 4.3.2.2.4 Rural Residential Building Land.
- 4.3.3 Farm Vacant Land
- Any land:
- 4.3.3.1 on which no building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected; and
- 4.3.3.2 is "Farm land" within the meaning of section 3(1) of the *Valuation of Land Act* 1960.
- 4.3.4 Farm Building Land
- Any land:
- 4.3.4.1 on which a building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected; and
- 4.3.4.2 is "Farm land" within the meaning of section 3(1) of the *Valuation of Land Act* 1960.
- 4.3.5 Commercial Vacant Land

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Any land:

4.3.5.1 on which no building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected;

4.3.5.2 which is, by reason of its zoning under the Moira Planning Scheme, capable of being used primarily for commercial purposes; and

4.3.5.3 does not have the characteristics of:

- 4.3.2.2.1 Farm Vacant Land;
- 4.3.2.2.2 General Vacant Land;
- 4.3.2.2.3 Industrial Vacant Land; or
- 4.3.2.2.4 Rural Residential Vacant Land.

4.3.6 Commercial Building Land

Any land:

4.3.6.1 on which a building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected;

4.3.6.2 which is used primarily for commercial purposes; and

4.3.6.3 does not have the characteristics of:

- 4.3.2.2.1 Farm Building Land;
- 4.3.2.2.2 General Building Land;
- 4.3.2.2.3 Industrial Building Land; or
- 4.3.2.2.4 Rural Residential Building Land.

4.3.7 Industrial Vacant Land

Any land:

4.3.7.1 on which no building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected;

4.3.7.2 which is, by reason of its zoning under the Moira Planning Scheme, capable of being used primarily for industrial purposes; and

4.3.7.3 does not have the characteristics of:

- 4.3.2.2.1 Farm Vacant Land;
- 4.3.2.2.2 Commercial Vacant Land;
- 4.3.2.2.3 General Vacant Land; or
- 4.3.2.2.4 Rural Residential Vacant Land.

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4.3.8 Industrial Building Land

Any land:

4.3.8.1 on which a building designed or adapted for human occupation has been erected;

4.3.8.2 which is used primarily for industrial purposes; and

4.3.8.3 does not have the characteristics of:

4.3.2.2.1 Farm Building Land;

4.3.2.2.2 Commercial Building Land;

4.3.2.2.3 General Building Land; or

4.3.2.2.4 Rural Residential Building Land.

4.3.10 Rural Residential Vacant Land

Any land:

4.3.10.1 which is more than two (2) and less than 10 hectares in area;

4.3.10.2 which is located within a Rural Residential Zone or Zones under the Moira Planning Scheme;

4.3.10.3 on which no building designed or adapted for human occupation is erected; and

4.3.10.4 which is used by a primary production business that:

4.3.10.4.1 does not have a significant and substantial commercial purpose or character;

4.3.10.4.2 does not seek to make a profit on a continuous or repetitive basis from its activities on the land; and

4.3.10.4.3 is not making a profit from its activities on the land or does not have a reasonable prospect of making a profit from its activities on the land if it continues to operate in the way that it is operating.

4.3.11 Rural Residential Building Land

Any land:

4.3.11.1 which is more than two (2) and less than 10 hectares in area;

4.3.11.2 which is located within a Rural Residential Zone or Zones under the Moira Planning Scheme;

4.3.11.3 on which a building designed or adapted for human occupation is

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erected; and

4.3.11.4 which is used by a primary production business that:

4.3.11.4.1 does not have a significant and substantial commercial purpose or character;

4.3.11.4.2 does not seek to make a profit on a continuous and repetitive basis from its activities on the land; and

4.3.11.4.3 is not making a profit from its activities on the land or does not have a reasonable prospect of making a profit from its activities on the land if it continues to operate in the way that it is operating.

4.4 Each differential rate will be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value of each rateable land (categorised by the characteristics described in paragraph 4.3 of this Resolution) by the relevant percentages indicated in the following table:

Category	%
General Vacant Land	0.5876(or 0.5876 cents in the dollar of CIV).
General Building Land	0.2938(or 0.2938 cents in the dollar of CIV).
Farm Vacant Land	0.2938(or 0.2938 cents in the dollar of CIV).
Farm Building Land	0.2938(or 0.2938 cents in the dollar of CIV).
Commercial Vacant Land	0.5876(or 0.5876cents in the dollar of CIV).
Commercial Building Land	0.4112(or 0.4112 cents in the dollar of CIV).
Industrial Vacant Land	0.5876(or 0.5876 cents in the dollar of CIV).
Industrial Building Land	0.4112(or 0.4112cents in the dollar of CIV).
Rural Residential Vacant Land	0.5876(or 0.5876 cents in the dollar of CIV).
Rural Residential Building Land	0.2938(or 0.2938 cents in the dollar of CIV).
Cultural & Recreational	0.2938(or 0.2938 cents in the dollar of CIV).

4.5 It be recorded that Council considers that each differential rate will contribute to the equitable and efficient carrying out of Council functions, and that

4.5.1 the respective objectives of each differential rate be those specified in the Schedule to this Resolution; and

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4.5.2 the respective types or classes of land which are subject to each differential rate be those defined in the Schedule to this Resolution; and

4.5.3 the respective uses and levels of each differential rate in relation to those respective types or classes of land be those described in the Schedule to this Resolution; and

4.5.4 the relevant

(a) uses of;

(b) geographical locations of; and

(c) planning scheme zonings of; and

(d) types of buildings on the respective types or classes of land be those identified in the Schedule to this Resolution; and

4.6 In accordance with section 4(1) of the *Cultural and Recreational Lands Act* 1963, the amount of rates payable in respect of each rateable land to which the Act applies be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value and that rateable land by 0.2938 percent (or 0.2938 cents in the dollar of Capital Improved Value).

5. Municipal Charge

5.1 A municipal charge be declared in respect of the 2009/2010 Financial Year.

5.2 The municipal charge be declared for the purpose of covering some of the administrative costs of Council.

5.3 The municipal charge be in the sum of \$230.50 for each rateable land (or part) in respect of which a municipal charge may be levied.

5.4 It be confirmed that the municipal charge is declared in respect of all rateable land within the municipal district in respect of which a municipal charge may be levied.

6. Annual Service Charge

6.1 An annual service charge be declared in respect of the 2009/2010 Financial Year.

6.2 The annual service charge be declared for the collection and disposal of refuse from land.

6.3 The annual service charge be in the sum of, and be based on the criteria, set out below:

6.3.1 \$71.75 per annum for each rateable land to which a domestic waste collection service is available;

6.3.2 \$67.70 per annum for each rateable land to which a recyclables collection service is available; and

6.3.3 \$146.35 per annum for each

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6.3.3.1 rateable land that is 'farm land' within the meaning of s 3(1) of the *Valuation of Land Act* 1960 and is a 'single farm enterprise' within the meaning of section 159(4) of the *Local Government Act* 1989; and

6.3.3.2 each other rateable land, from which there is capable of being generated waste which can be deposited by a ratepayer or resident at a landfill or waste transfer or disposal facility (which annual service charge is known as the "environmental levy")

7 Rebates & Concessions

7.1 It be recorded that Council grants to each owner of rateable land who is an "eligible recipient" within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act* 1986 a rebate of \$184.30 per annum in respect of each rateable land owned by him or her.

7.2 The rebate described in paragraph 7.1 be granted to assist the proper development of the municipal district.

8. Incentives

No incentive be declared for early payment of the general rates, municipal charge and annual service charge previously declared.

9. Payment

9.1 All rates and charges to be paid in four instalments, in accordance with Section 167 (1) and (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989.

9.2 Unless Council resolves otherwise, a person may only pay rates and charges as a lump sum interest free if payment is made on or before 30 September 2009.

10. Consequential

10.1 It be confirmed that, subject to sections 171 and 172 of the *Local Government Act* 1989, Council will require a person to pay interest on any rates and charges which:

8.1.1 that person is liable to pay;

8.1.2 have not been paid by the date specified for their payment

10.2 The Team Leader Revenue Services be authorised to levy and recover the general rates, municipal charge and annual service charges in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 1989.

11. That the 2009/10 User Fees and Charges as proposed be adopted by Council.

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SCHEDULE

GENERAL VACANT LAND

Objective:

To encourage the development of land and ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the –

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the relevant Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Nil.

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SCHEDULE

GENERAL BUILDING LAND

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the relevant Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

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Types of Buildings:

All buildings which are now constructed on the land or which are constructed prior to the expiry of the 2009/10 financial year.

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SCHEDULE

FARM VACANT LAND

Objective:

To encourage the development of land for farming purposes and ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the relevant Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Nil

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FARM BUILDING LAND

Objective:

To encourage the pursuit of farming activities and ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the relevant Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

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Types of Buildings:

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SCHEDULE

COMMERCIAL VACANT LAND

Objective:

To encourage the development of land for commercial purposes and ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the relevant Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Nil

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COMMERCIAL BUILDING LAND

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

The differential rate will be used to fund some of those items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council.

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Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the relevant Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

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Types of Buildings:

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SCHEDULE

INDUSTRIAL VACANT LAND

Objective:

To encourage the development of land for industrial purposes and ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.
4. Provision of economic development services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

Any use permitted under the relevant Planning Scheme.

Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Nil

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INDUSTRIAL BUILDING LAND

Objective:

To ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services;
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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Types of Buildings:

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SCHEDULE

RURAL RESIDENTIAL VACANT LAND

Objective:

To encourage the development of land and ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including the -

1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
2. Development and provision of health and community services; and
3. Provision of general support services.

Types and Classes:

Rateable land having the relevant characteristics described in the Resolution of Council.

Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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Geographic Location:

Wherever located within the municipal district.

Use of Land:

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Planning Scheme Zoning:

The zoning applicable to each rateable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings:

Nil

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RURAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING LAND

Objective:

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1. Construction and maintenance of public infrastructure; and
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Types and Classes:

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Use and Level of Differential Rate:

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CRS. TIM MCCURDY / EDWARD COX

That the recommendation be adopted.

(CARRIED)

MOTION

To hear any general or urgent business.

CRS. JESSIE MCCALLUM / PETER ROBINSON

(Carried)

Note:

Under the Local Government Act 1989 Section 84, Sub-Section 4:

"Unless all Councillors are present and unanimously agree to deal with another matter, only the business specified in the notice or resolution is to be transacted."

Therefore the Motion below will be listed for consideration at the next Ordinary Meeting on 20 July 2009, due to the fact that all Councillors were not present at the meeting.

MOTION

That Council further explore the feasibility of providing specific programs or projects to assist the rural and farming communities, disadvantaged by the current climatic and economic conditions, to gain employment.

CRS. PETER ROBINSON / JESSIE MCCALLUM

(Carried)

The motion was carried unanimously.