

HAWKESBURY CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

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DATE OF MEETING: 25 May 1995

LOCATION: Council Chambers

TIME: 7:30pm

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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Hawkesbury held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 25 May 1995, commencing at 7:30pm.

PRESENT: Councillor R P Stubbs, Mayor and Councillors R G Calvert, B N Keegan, W J Mackay, P J Minturn, C A Paine, M G Parsons, L C Sheather, W J Sledge, and H Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors H J M Books and P E Rogers.

Councillor Williams arrived at the meeting at 7.35pm and Councillor Calvert at 7.40pm.

- 1204 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheather and seconded by Councillor Mackay that the apologies be accepted.

SECTION 4 - REPORTS FOR DETERMINATION

31: REMUNERATION FOR COUNCILLORS AND MAYORS (GA030/001 PT02/GMA)

- 1205 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Mackay seconded by Councillor Parsons that:-

Council adopt a fee for Councillors for the 1995/96 period of \$10,000 (ten thousand), the Mayoral Allowance (excluding Councillor fee) at \$20,000 (twenty thousand) of which an allowance is set for the Deputy Mayor. These allowances being advertised in accordance with the provisions of the Act and reported on with the Management Plan.

- 1206 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Mackay seconded by Councillor Calvert that:-

Council set the allowance for the Deputy Mayor as it has been in previous years and in the previous manner.

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32: AUSTRALIAN PIONEER VILLAGE - FUTURE OPERATION (GC283/107 PT03/CSV)

1207 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Parsons seconded by Councillor Sheather that:-

Members of the gallery be permitted to address the Council.

Councillors Williams and Calvert arrived at the meeting at this stage.

Mr Brian McKinlay and Mrs Dawn Case, on behalf of the Friends of Australian Pioneer Village; Mr Chris Wells; and Mr Moore, Australian Outback Connection, addressed the Council.

Moved on the motion of Councillor Calvert seconded by Councillor Williams that:-

Council lease the Australian Pioneer Village Animal and Recreation Park to Mr Chris Wells and Mr John Stephens on the following terms:-

1. A lease of 3 (three) years shall apply with a commencement date of 1 July 1995.
2. Nil rental will be payable for 2 (two) years.
3. Rental in the third year shall be \$15,600 (fifteen thousand six hundred).
4. Following the expiration of the initial lease term, the lessee be offered first option to purchase the property at a value to be negotiated at that time; the value having due regard to current market forces, capital improvements undertaken during the lease term and the value of stock and fittings. Should the option to purchase be declined, a further lease period of 15 (fifteen) years be offered to the lessee on a 5 (five) by 5 (five) by 5 (five) year basis with rental in the first year of the new term to be assessed at market level.
5. The lessee be responsible for outgoings including the consumption of all services separately metered or consumed on the site; power, telephone, water, gas and the payment of all rates and taxes levied on the property.
6. The lessor be responsible for outgoings including building insurance.
7. The lessee be responsible for building maintenance with Council responsible for items of structural repair.

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General Manager

Mayor

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8. The lessee be responsible for all costs associated with grounds maintenance with the grounds to be maintained at all times to Council's satisfaction.
9. The lessee be responsible for the payment of insurances including public liability in the amount of \$50 million (fifty) and Workers' Compensation Insurance.
10. The lessee be responsible for compliance with the licence conditions in respect of the keeping of animals, operation of the miniature train with all costs associated with compliance to be met by the lessee.
11. The lessor be responsible for the operation of the Waste Water Treatment Plant and spray irrigation area with all operation and maintenance costs to be met by the lessor. The lessor shall have free right to enter the property and service the plant.
12. The lessee be responsible for the payment of legal costs associated with the preparation of the lease documentation.
13. A security bond in the amount of \$20,000 (twenty thousand) be lodged.
14. All necessary documents be completed under the Common Seal of Council.

1208 **AN AMENDMENT** was moved by Councillor Sledge seconded by Councillor Keegan that:-

1. Pursuant to the terms of Section 377 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Council appoint the Friends of Australian Pioneer Village as a Committee of the Council for the purpose of the management and operation of Australian Pioneer Village Recreation and Animal Park.
2. The operation and the management of Australian Pioneer Village Recreation and Animal Park by the Friends of Australian Pioneer Village be effective from 1 July 1995 and subject to the terms and conditions outlined in their submission presented to Council at the Special Meeting on 25 May 1995.
3. Council agree to subsidise the Friends of Australian Pioneer Village an amount of \$28,900 (twenty eight thousand nine hundred) for the Financial Year 1995/1996 and \$7,500 (seven thousand five hundred) for the

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Financial 1996/1997 to assist the Friends in the implementation of their operating strategy and these amounts be provided in Council's respective budgets. These amounts to be payable annually in advance to assist with initial cash flow.

4. Council support an application by the Friends of Australian Pioneer Village for incorporation under the terms of the Incorporations Act.
5. The Friends enter into a Deed of Agreement with Council to recognise their responsibility in preserving all historic equipment and artefacts as well as recognising and enhancing the general integrity of the Village.
6. An annual works program and Business Plan (including budget) be submitted to Council for consideration and endorsement.
7. Quarterly reports as to the financial and general operation of the Village be submitted by the Friends for Council's consideration.
8. Subject to supply of sewerage capacity the proposed multi-purpose shed to be fully completed within a period of 12 (twelve) months.
9. The existing tenancy agreements for the various shops be assigned to the Friends of Australian Pioneer Village.
10. Items of equipment for grounds maintenance as outlined in this report be transferred to the Friends with future upgrading of same to be their responsibility.
11. Council determine its delegate to the Management Committee.
12. The Common Seal of Council be affixed to all necessary documentation.
13. Further discussions be held on the Australian Outback Connection having (2) two members on the Committee.
14. Suitable negotiations be confirmed between the Friends of the Village and the Australian Outback Connection.
15. Councillor Sheather be Council's delegate on the Management Committee.

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The amendment was carried.

The amendment then became the motion which was put and carried.

33: MANAGEMENT PLAN (GM001/002 PT03/FNC)

1209 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Parsons seconded by Councillor Sledge that:-

1. The Management Plans be adopted for the purposes of public exhibition.
1. A report be brought to Council based on the savings on the Australian Pioneer Village Recreation and Animal Park being directed to the Hawkesbury Sports Council.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

34: MANAGEMENT PLANS (GM001/002 PT3/FNC)

1210 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sledge seconded by Councillor Parsons that:-

The information be received and that the rate and annual charges be accepted for inclusion in the Management Plan.

The meeting terminated at 9.35pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the meeting of Council on June 13, 1995.

.....Mayor