# MINUTES OF THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING` OF THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS 40 CHERRY STREET, BALLINA, ON 13/07/20 AT 4.00 PM

## **Attendance**

Crs Ben Smith (in the chair), Phillip Meehan (via video link), Sharon Parry (via video link – joined at 4.06 pm), Jeff Johnson (via video link), Eoin Johnston (via video link), Stephen McCarthy, Nathan Willis, Keith Williams, Sharon Cadwallader and David Wright (Mayor).

Paul Hickey (General Manager), John Truman (Director, Civil Services Director), Kelly Brown (Director, Corporate and Community Division), Craig Brown (Manager Community Facilities), Linda Coulter (Manager Financial Services), Kerry Condon (Built Assets Engineer) and Sandra Bailey (Secretary) were in attendance.

Karen Ognibene from KO and CO Architecture was in attendance for Item 4.3 – Community Facilities – Update and made a presentation to the meeting on proposed designs for Alstonville Cultural Centre.

There were five people in the gallery at this time.

## 1. Apologies

Nil

## 2. Declarations of Interest

- **Cr Sharon Cadwallader** declared an interest in Item 4.1 Northern Rivers Community Gallery and Ignite Studios Update. (Nature of Interest: non significant, non pecuniary she has visited the artists named in the petition at their home, through the Arts Trail program. She will be remaining in the meeting while the matter is discussed and voting on the matter.
- **Cr Jeff Johnson** declared an interest in Item 4.1 Northern Rivers Community Gallery and Ignite Studios Update. (Nature of Interest: non significant, non pecuniary he has visited the artists named in the petition at their home, through the Arts Trail program. He will be remaining in the meeting while the matter is discussed and voting on the matter.

# 3. Deputations

 Dick Greaves/Ron Greber, Ballina Naval/Maritime Museum – spoke in favour of Item 4.2 - Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum - Additions

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## 4. Committee Reports

# 4.2 Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum - Additions

A **Motion** was moved by Cr Sharon Cadwallader and seconded by Cr Keith Williams

- 1. That the Council funding allocated for improvements to the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum be applied to undertake immediate repair works on the current structure protecting the PV Richmond to ensure the safety of the structure and continuation of the current protection measures.
- That Council authorises the General Manager to proceed with obtaining development consent and all other relevant approvals to enable the modifications to the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum, as per Attachment 2 to this report.

An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Phillip Meehan and seconded by Cr Jeff Johnson

- 1. That the Council funding allocated for improvements to the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum be applied to undertake immediate repair works on the current structure protecting the PV Richmond to ensure the safety of the structure and continuation of the current protection measures.
- That Council authorises the General Manager to proceed with obtaining development consent and all other relevant approvals to enable the modifications to the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum, as per Attachment 2 to this report.
- 3. That Council staff discuss with the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum their financial position and capacity to fund these works.

### The **Amendment** was **LOST**.

FOR VOTE - Cr Phillip Meehan

AGAINST VOTE - Cr David Wright, Cr Sharon Parry, Cr Jeff Johnson, Cr Eoin Johnston, Cr Stephen McCarthy, Cr Nathan Willis, Cr Keith Williams, Cr Sharon Cadwallader and Cr Ben Smith

The Motion was CARRIED.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

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### RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Sharon Cadwallader/Cr Keith Williams)

- 1. That the Council funding allocated for improvements to the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum be applied to undertake immediate repair works on the current structure protecting the PV Richmond to ensure the safety of the structure and continuation of the current protection measures.
- That Council authorises the General Manager to proceed with obtaining development consent and all other relevant approvals to enable the modifications to the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum, as per Attachment 2 to this report.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously

# 4.1 Northern Rivers Community Gallery and Ignite Studios - Update

A **Motion** was moved by Cr David Wright and seconded by Cr Sharon Parry

- 1. That Council notes the contents of this report concerning the operation and management of the Northern Rivers Community Gallery.
- 2. That Council confirms the continuation of the current eight week exhibition program for 2020/21.
- 3. That a further report be provided to Council on the future direction of arts and culture programs, prior to the development of the 2021/22 Program Prospectus.
- 4. That Council facilitate the provision of other exhibition spaces within other public and private spaces in the Shire.
- 5. That Council continue to lobby for arts funding from the State and Federal Governments.

An **Amendment** was moved by Cr Cadwallader and seconded by Cr Jeff Johnson

- 1. That Council notes the contents of this report concerning the operation and management of the Northern Rivers Community Gallery.
- 2. That Council commences a six week exhibition program for 2020/21.
- 3. That a further report be provided to Council on the future direction of arts and culture programs, prior to the development of the 2021/22 Program Prospectus.

The **Amendment** was **LOST**.

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FOR VOTE - Cr Jeff Johnson and Cr Sharon Cadwallader AGAINST VOTE - Cr David Wright, Cr Phillip Meehan, Cr Sharon Parry, Cr Eoin Johnston, Cr Stephen McCarthy, Cr Nathan Willis, Cr Keith Williams and Cr Ben Smith

The **Motion** was **CARRIED**.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

### RECOMMENDATION

(Cr David Wright/Cr Sharon Parry)

- 1. That Council notes the contents of this report concerning the operation and management of the Northern Rivers Community Gallery.
- 2. That Council confirms the continuation of the current eight week exhibition program for 2020/21.
- 3. That a further report be provided to Council on the future direction of arts and culture programs, prior to the development of the 2021/22 Program Prospectus.
- 4. That Council facilitate the provision of other exhibition spaces within other public and private spaces in the Shire.
- 5. That Council continue to lobby for arts funding from the State and Federal Governments.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

Cr Jeff Johnson left the meeting at 05:08 pm.

# 4.3 Community Facilities - Update

### RECOMMENDATION

(Cr David Wright/Cr Sharon Cadwallader)

- That Council endorses design option two, being the two storey facility as prepared by KO and CO Architecture, as the preferred pre-concept design for the Alstonville Leisure and Entertainment Centre redevelopment.
- The General Manager is authorised is to proceed with the detailed design and engineering plans and development approval process for design option two as per point one, funded from the capital expenditure budget allocation for the facility.
- 3. That Council notes the contents of this report in respect to the current excess in supply of meeting room space for the Kentwell Centre.

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- 4. That Council notes the contents of this report in respect to the recent improvements to the Richmond Room.
- 5. That Council supports the renaming of the Lennox Head Cultural and Community Centre to the 'Lennox Head Cultural Centre' to assist with consistent messaging and marketing.
- 6. That Council supports the renaming of the Alstonville Leisure and Entertainment Centre to the 'Alstonville Cultural Centre' to assist with consistent messaging and marketing.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously. ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Jeff Johnson

### **MEETING CLOSURE**

5.34 pm