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Please refer to the minutes of the meeting of 24 October, 2002 for confirmation.

**COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING
(ENGINEERING COMMITTEE)
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
COFF AND CASTLE STREETS, COFFS HARBOUR
10 OCTOBER, 2002**

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COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING

(ENGINEERING COMMITTEE)

10 OCTOBER, 2002

Present: Councillors P Howe (Acting Deputy Mayor), C McKimm, I Ovens, W Palmer, K Rhoades and W Wood.

Staff: Acting General Manager, Acting Director of Engineering, Acting Director of Planning, Environment & Development, Acting Director of Finance and Administration & Community Enterprises and Executive Assistant.

Leave of Absence: Councillors J Bonfield, J Strom and A Williams.

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm with the Acting Deputy Mayor, Cr P Howe in the chair.

The Acting Deputy Mayor requested a motion to adjourn the Ordinary meeting and resolve into the Engineering Committee meeting.

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

178 RESOLVED (Palmer/McKimm) that the Ordinary Meeting of Council be adjourned and Council now resolve into the Engineering Committee meeting, the time being 5.31pm.

The Acting Deputy Mayor invited Councillor Palmer to chair the Engineering Committee meeting.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT REPORTS

84 WORKS BRANCH REPORT

To advise Council of the progress of construction and maintenance programs undertaken by Works Branch up to 30 September, 2002.

EN77 RECOMMENDED (Howe/McKimm):

1. That Council note the progress report on construction and maintenance works undertaken by Works Branch up to 30 September 2002.
2. That Council note that individual program expenditures are being monitored to ensure that the total program costs for 2002/2003 are contained within the approved budget.
3. That an amount of \$88,000 be allocated from the Extended 3 x 3 component of the Block Grant to cover the cost of additional works on the upgrade of Hogbin Drive, between Stadium Drive and Boambee Creek.

85 NATIONAL BLACKSPOT FUNDING

To report on National Blackspot funding received for road safety improvements to Bucca Road.

EN78 RECOMMENDED (Ovens/Howe):

1. That Council accept the \$450,000 National Blackspot Program grant for Bucca Road safety improvements.
2. That \$70,000 Roads to Recovery funding for Bucca Road be re-allocated to Sawtell Road reconstruction in the 2002/03 Management Plan.

86 FENCING ON HOGBIN DRIVE/ADVOCATE PARK

Advising Council of a request from Coffs Harbour Rugby League Football Club (CHRLFC) for fencing between the sports fields and Hogbin Drive, south of Stadium Drive intersection, and recommending installation of fencing in the 2002/03 financial year.

- #### EN79 RECOMMENDED (Ovens/Howe) that Council allocate additional funding of \$6,000 from revenue in 2002/03 for the installation of a pine log fence and landscaping along the eastern boundary of Advocate Park on Hogbin Drive.

87 MAINTENANCE OF RIFLE RANGE ROAD, DAIRYVILLE

To report on the status of Rifle Range Road (Dry Creek Rd), Dairyville and a request by the Coffs Harbour Rifle Club to improve the road condition and take over maintenance of the road.

- EN80 RECOMMENDED** (Howe/McKimm) that Council advise the relevant property owners off Rifle Range Road that the road is a private road and that it is the property owners who are responsible for care and maintenance of the road.

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

The Chairman advised that the business of the Engineering Committee was concluded and invited the Acting Deputy Mayor to resume the chair.

The Acting Deputy Mayor resumed chairmanship of the meeting at 5.45pm.

OPEN COUNCIL

The Acting Deputy Mayor requested a motion to close the Committee meeting and move into Open Council.

- EN81 RECOMMENDED** (Howe/Palmer) that the Committee now move into Open Council.

ADOPTION OF ENGINEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

- 179 RESOLVED** (Ovens/McKimm) that the recommendations of the Engineering Committee meeting be received and adopted.

MATTERS OF AN URGENT NATURE

1. Coffs Harbour Boat Ramp

Councillor Howe advised that she had received a letter from Coffs Harbour Ex Services Fishing Club expressing concern at the dangerous conditions on the boat ramp since the eastern break-wall of the harbour has been shortened and the entrance widened.

The Acting Director of Engineering advised that the matter is in hand but is currently awaiting advice from the Department of Land and Water Conservation in relation to analysis of the surge problem by Manly Hydraulics Laboratory.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Nations in Bloom Award

Cr Palmer questioned what was being done to promote the recent Nations in Bloom Award.

The Acting General Manager advised that the City press have been circulated. Council's Media Officer Sally McKay advised that press releases have been circulated to all national media and the submission and press release would be placed on Council's web site.

2. Pacific Highway Planning Strategy Peer Review

Cr Wood referred to Resolution 150, Supplementary to 149, of the Economic and Community Enterprises Committee meeting of 26 September 2002.

Cr Wood drew attention to a statement in 'Coffs Harbour Highway Planning Community Update, September 2002' as follows:

"Coffs Harbour Section

By March this year, the Steering Committee was able to reduce the options for the Coffs Harbour section to the inner corridor and upgrading the existing Highway."

180 RESOLVED (Wood/Ovens) that Council note the information.

3. Water Issues

181 **RESOLVED** (Ovens/McKimm) that a report be bought back to Council relating to water issues as follows:

1. Relevant State Government authority's existing policies in regard to:
 - a. rainwater tanks in residential areas.
 - b. possible future use of effluent in river systems and other waterways from which users will be looking at to draw water.
2. State Government's position as to possible subsidies for householders who do incorporate rainwater catchment and storage, similar to the subsidies offered to solar hot water system owners.

4. Maintenance of Rifle Range Road, Dairyville

Cr Rhoades referred to the request by the Rifle Club to maintain Rifle Range Road and questioned whether it would be possible for Council to inspect and fill potholes to assist in making sure that the road is trafficable for the upcoming Annual Prize Shoot on the second weekend in November, 2002.

The Acting General Manager advised that the matter would be considered.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 5.50pm.

Confirmed: 24 October, 2002.

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PJ Howe
Acting Deputy Mayor