

CAMBOOYA SHIRE COUNCIL



Confirmed Minutes

for

Special Meeting

6 August 2007

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on Monday 6 August 11 July 2007, commencing at 9:02am

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PRESENT

Cr CE Taylor (Mayor)
 Cr NB Schmidt
 Cr FW Mengel
 Cr MJ MacGinley
 Cr MR Middleton
 IP Stevenson (Chief Executive Officer)

The Mayor opened the meeting at 9:02am.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cr's Moule, Gordon, Robertson and Williams.

2. PURPOSE OF MEETING

To consider rescinding Resolution Number 01/0707 of the Special Meeting of Council held on 11 July 2007, in particular, item number 1 of the motion which reads *"Resolves to conduct a Poll of electors in the Shire to determine the community's views on any recommendation of the Local Government Reform Commission, that requires forced amalgamation or boundary change for this Council, on Saturday 18 August, 2007."*

3. PROCEEDINGS

The meeting considered a letter received from the Minister for Local Government, Planning and Sport which encouraged Councils to reconsider their decisions to conduct polls on the basis that no referendums are conducted on the boundaries for State or Federal elections. The meeting also considered advice from the Local Government Association of Qld that Councils could carry out voluntary surveys of electors in their areas instead of referendums, should Councils be concerned that the Minister may exercise his reserve powers to stop a Poll of electors on the Local Government Reform Commission recommendations.

Resolution 01/0807

Moved Cr Mengel, seconded Cr MacGinley, that in view of the letter received from the Minister, and comments reported in the media that the Minister intended to use his reserve powers to sack Councils which proceeded with a Poll of electors to seek the community's views on the recommendations of the Local Government Reform Commission, that this Council formally rescind Resolution Number 01/0707 of the Special Meeting of this Council held on 11 July 2007, and that Council not proceed with a referendum under Section 475 of *the Local Government Act 1993*.

Carried

Resolution 02/0807

Moved Cr Middleton, seconded Cr Schmidt, that Council proceed to carry out a voluntary survey of electors of the Shire, to determine the community's views on any recommendations of the Local Government Reform Commission, which require forced amalgamations or major boundary change.

Carried

4. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 9:40am.

Council at the Ordinary Meeting held on 15 August 2007 confirmed these minutes.

Certified Correct **MAYOR**