
Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the
Waimate District Council held in the Local
Government Centre, Queen Street, Waimate on
Friday 23rd June 2006 at 11.00 a.m.



Present

His Worship the Mayor, Mr J.G. Coles
Councillors M.L. Andrew, M.J. Balchin, P.J. Foley, J.S. Gibson, M. Henderson, P.F. McIlraith.

In Attendance

Chief Executive Officer (J.E. Maxwell)
Corporate Services Manager (L.E. Rawstorn)
Administration Officer (J.D. Larcombe)

Rates 2006/07

His Worship the Mayor advised Council of the update situation whereby it was deemed that to date, Council had no formal Rates Resolution passed and could therefore not formally strike a Rate or Rates for the 2006/07 rating year.

Council's Chief Executive Officer advised the meeting as follows:

- That a meeting held earlier to the current Council meeting was not in order and should have been held in public in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002.
- Legal advice had been received from the Deputy Auditor General and Council's legal advisors that to date, Council had not resolved a formal or legal Rates resolution.
- Council's Rate requirements must be individually identified.
- Council's Rates resolution must match the funding statement in its LTCCP.
- Council's CEO cannot accept responsibility to alter rates – this is the function of Council through its LTCCP.
- After the end of the current month, Council may not be able to pay accounts owing.
- No valid Rates resolution will result in the intervention of the Minister of Local Government.

Council's options are to pass a formal Rates resolution or commence its process of Public submissions again, which will result in a new Council LTCCP.

Rates 2006 / 07

Moved, that Council adopt its 2006/07 Rates in accordance with its current LTCCP.

Mov His worship the Mayor / Sec Cr Henderson

By voting on a show of hands, the motion was Lost.

Note: For the Motion - His Worship the Mayor, Mr J.G. Coles, Councillors J. Gibson, M.Henderson.

Against the Motion: Councillors M. Andrew, M. Balchin, P.Foley, P.McIlraith.

Legal Opinions

Councillor P. McIlraith requested that Legal opinions held by Council with regard to its current Rates situation be made available.

The meeting closed at 11.33 am

Confirmed at a meeting of Council held
This 18th day of July 2006

Mayor