



DRAFT MINUTES

QUEANBEYAN BUSINESS COUNCIL EXECUTIVE MEETING

QUEANBEYAN GOLF CLUB

TUESDAY, 26th FEBRUARY 2008 at 4 pm,

HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Present: Ian McNamee, Bill Baker, Craig Harris, Graham Wise, Jan Browne, Jeremy Wyatt, Paul Walshe, Nick Moufarrige, Rod Studholme, Leanne Brewer, Steve Jamieson, Loyd Perin, Simon Mitchell-Taverner.

Also in Attendance: Attendance by those attending Annual General Meeting held concurrently. Attendance sheet on Minutes file.

1. **Apologies:** Steve Whan MP, Alan Smith, Peter Newham, Ross Barrett, Glenda Snoxall, Maurice McCormack, Daryl Evans, Colin Maxwell, Andrew Herring, Bob Winnel, Tim Swain, Ken Ineson.
2. **Adoption of Minutes and matters arising from Executive Meeting 22 January 2008 – JB/BB**

Matters Arising –

Item 9. Meeting with Member for Eden-Monaro Hon. Dr. Mike Kelly AM MP. Held on 29 January and attended by Ian McNamee, Ken Ineson, Craig Harris, Steve Jamieson and Simon Mitchell-Taverner, and guest Cr. Tom Mavec. The meeting was productive with emphasis on roads and water.

On roads, Dr. Kelly expressed his support for QBC's position, telling members that significant funding has been allocated to alleviate problems in Pialligo Avenue, Kings Highway and Lanyon Drive – which would include dual carriageway construction from the new railway bridge being constructed by NSW Government through to Monaro Highway. He was supportive of the concept of a regional road strategy to include a future Queanbeyan by-pass.

On the water issue, QBC expressed its concern at the prospect of the Googong Dam being transferred to the ACT whilst Queanbeyan's water for greenfield developments remains unresolved. Dr. Kelly understood the situation, telling Members that he was in consultation with Minister for Home Affairs, Hon. Bob Debus on this issue.

The meeting was reported fully in our Queanbeyan Age column on 1 February, with copies sent to all Members.

Item 11b. Parking in the CBD – President reported that Lowe Street Car Park is being re-arranged to permit more car spaces. Unfortunately it is apparent that these extra spaces will be at the expense of the previous long vehicle park which was one of the few parking opportunities for caravaners in the CBD.

Meanwhile, parking at the VIC is reaching crisis point with the construction of the NSW State Office Block. Rangers appear unable to stop construction workers parking all day in the VIC one and two hour spots or VIC/BEC designated spots. This was the topic of Queanbeyan Age column on 22 February.

Occupancy of the Block may cause further problems as it is understood the 101 car parking spaces for staff cars will be largely for government cars that will be required to park overnight. With 350 workers, there will be limited space to park private cars.

3. Treasurer's Report :

Tabled by Treasurer – Detailed copy attached to original minutes and available from Treasurer. Summary as follows:

• **Reconciled Bank Balance at 31 Jan 2008** - \$ 65,810

• **Balance Sheet**

Total Equity at 31 January 2008 – \$124,009
(incl accrued debtors and GST liability)

• **Profit & Loss:**

Surplus for Jan 2008 - \$(4,136)

YTD \$ 23,718

Periodic Grant payment from QCC was received on 13/2/2008

As resolved at previous meeting, \$30,000 has been added to term deposit and rolled over for a further 12 months at 7.25%

Treasurer's Report Accepted GW/SJ

4. Correspondence

Inwards:

- 30 January – QCC General Manager- response to our various letters requesting our views on CBD parking be provided to CBD Masterplan consultants.
- 31 January – Visitor Mr. Kemp– Copy of letter sent to QCC regarding complaint about facilities for caravaners.
- 4 February – Paul Spyve QCC - Response to our criticisms of QCC web page.

Copies of these letters sent to all Executive Members.

Outwards:

- 30 January – General Manager QCC – Offer to assist improve QCC web site
- 4 February - Visitor Mr. Kemp – Response to his letter regarding caravan facilities in Queanbeyan.
- 4 February – General Manager QCC – request for QBC VIC six month Report to be delayed until April 2008 to allow updated ABS statistics.

Accepted SMT/BB

ACTION: SMT

6. Nomination for proposed Queanbeyan Development Board:

Ian McNamee advised that Queanbeyan City Council had, at its Meeting of 6 February resolved that that:

- “1. An Interim Board as an incorporated body should be set up, and
2. The General Manager and Council be represented on the Interim Board”.

This followed the recommendation made by QCC President Ian McNamee (as resolved at the QBC Executive Meeting on 22 January) at the joint workshop between QCC, QBC and BEC held on 31 January.

QBC will have 3 representatives on the Interim Board. The following nominations were received to represent QBC on the Interim Board:

- President, Mr. Bill Baker
- Immediate Past President, Mr. Ian McNamee
- Vice-President Mr. Jeremy Wyatt

The above were unanimously elected on the motion of Graham Wise, seconded by Craig Harris.

- 7. Queanbeyan Tourist Brochure 2008** – Simon Mitchell-Taverner advised he and Tourist Sandra Bryce have met with Canberra Times representatives. Canberra Times is keen that this brochure does not ‘compete’ with the proposed second Queanbeyan Supplement scheduled for July 2008. The suggested date for the Tourist Brochure publication is September 2008.

ACTION: SMT

8. **VIC Souvenirs** – As resolved at the previous Executive Meeting, VIC staff have placed orders for replacement Queanbeyan and Canberra souvenirs. These include a supply of T-shirts and polo shirts in black with white writing and white with black writing featuring the I love Queanbeyan motif. These will be in 5 sizes` for each product.

ACTION: SMT

9. **QBC Position re Canberra Airport Freight Hub proposal** –

Steve Jamieson recommended that QBC send a letter to Canberra International Airport in support of the proposed Freight Hub, which would create a demand for international flights. He argued that lack of support for the Hub could see it relocated to Goulburn as suggested by Federal Member for Eden-Monaro.

Resolved on the motion of Steve Jamieson, seconded by Craig Harris that QBC write a letter to Canberra Airport in support of the Freight Hub and international flights within the context of, and consistent with, proper planning processes.

ACTION - SMT

10. **QBC Student Sponsorships** – Simon Mitchell-Taverner advised of changes at CIT. The Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality is now the Tourism & Hospitality Centre under Director Stuart Walsh. Our new contact is Fiona Wilson. The changes should not affect our scholarship program. Simon reminded members that \$1,000 was held in reserve for an additional scholarship.

ACTION SMT

11. **General Business: NIL**

Next Meeting – Tuesday, 25 March 2008 at 4 pm – venue TBA

Meeting closed 4.30 pm.