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**COUNCIL MEETING
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MEETING HELD AT: Town Hall, Launceston

MEETING COMMENCEMENT: 1.00 pm

Martin Reynolds (Corporate Secretary)

Present: Alderman J B Lees (Mayor)
A L Waddle (Deputy Mayor)
A C Peck
G W Beams
R L McKendrick
H G Brookes
I J N Routley
M E Smart
R W Shipp
J Walters
R J Sands
J Dickenson

In Attendance: Mr R G Campbell (General Manager)
Mr M Reynolds (Corporate Secretary)
Mr S Pound (Committee Clerk/Admin Officer)

Apologies: Alderman Nil.

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- 1 **OPENING OF MEETING**

- 2 **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

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3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**3.1 Mr T Seymour – Kings Meadows**

Mr T Seymour asked a question relating to Items to be dealt with in the Closed Session of Council.

Question 1.

RE ITEM NUMBERS 12.4, 12.5, 12.6, 12.7, 12.8, 12.9, 12.10 and 13.4. What does the Launceston City Council have to hide from the Ratepayers and Electors of the City that it has to recommend all of these Items be dealt with in closed session?

The Mayor indicated that the Items listed in the Agenda as closed session Items related to matters which were of a confidential, financial or legal nature affecting members of the public. Schedule 4 of the Local Government Act 1993 determines how these matters are to be dealt with. Council is complying with the Act.

Question 2.

“In relation to agenda item 3, the Citizens of Launceston are not being given sufficient opportunity to question their elected Aldermen during a Council Meeting, if they do manage to ask a question in this section, they are lucky if they receive an answer during the meeting, or even afterwards, is there a statutory timeframe for questions asked during Public Question Time to be answered?”

“Can the Launceston City Council Standing Orders and/or the requirements under the local government act be reviewed so as to provide additional opportunities for public questioning during council meetings – there are many issues of concern to the public which need answers in this forum which never make it to the agenda papers?”

“I further ask that on considering this matter can a mechanism be developed which will allow greater detail to appear in the ORDER OF BUSINESS so that the Public are permitted to ask questions on matters that come to the table without agenda notes e. g. ALDERMAN’S REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR, REPORTS BY THE MAYOR, PETITIONS, REPIRTS BY THE GENERAL MANAGER,”

“Or does this Council believe that the Ratepayers and Electors of Launceston should trust it’s Alderman and Officers as they know best, particularly considering there are 8 items on todays agenda that are closed to the public?”

The Mayor answered that;

no, there is no statutory time frame for answers to questions from Public Question Time, and in answer of the second part of question 2;

yes, the provisions of the Meeting Procedures By-law could be revised. Council’s actions were compliant with the Local Government Act 1993 and Council’s Meeting Procedure By-law.

4 DEPUTATION

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That the Minutes of the meeting of the Launceston City Council held on 23 April 2001 be confirmed as a true and correct record.
2. That the Minutes of the meeting of the Launceston City Council held on 23 April 2001 in closed session be confirmed as a true and correct record.

RESOLUTION:

Moved Alderman A L Waddle, seconded Alderman R W Shipp.

That the Recommendation be adopted, with amendment to point 1 by the addition of the words "subject to the change on page 47, Item 17.2, that the two occurrences of the word "Napa", be replaced with the words "Ikeda", following the word "record".

CARRIED

6 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

Nil

7 PETITIONS

Nil

DIVISIONAL MINUTES ITEMS**8 BUSINESSES and OPERATIONS**

Mr R Fisher and Mr P Mickan were in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of Agenda Items 8.1 – 8.5 inclusive.

8.1 50 Wellington Street - Development of Advertising Signs

FILE NO: DA0130/2001

AUTHOR: Paul Godier (Development Planner)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider an application to erect two internally illuminated hanging signs and two internally illuminated projecting wall signs.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve application DA0130/2001 to remove existing signage and erect two internally illuminated hanging signs and two internally illuminated projecting wall signs at 50 Wellington Street subject to the following conditions:

- 1 The development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered without the written consent of the Manager Approvals.
2. Despite condition 1, before the development commences, the areas indicated in red on the endorsed plans shall be amended to show the requirements mentioned below. When approved by the Manager Approvals the plans will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit. The amended plans must be drawn to scale with dimensions and four copies must be provided.
 - a) The signs advertising "The Oasis" shall be redesigned by a reduction in height, so that no part of the signs project above the wall of the building.
 - b) The signs advertising the "Cock n Bull" shall be no less than 2700mm above the footpath.

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Once endorsed, these plans shall supersede the original endorsed plans.

3. The signs marked 'existing signage to be removed' as shown on the endorsed plan, are to be removed prior to the erection of the signs hereby permitted.
4. The location and details (not including wording) of the signs shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered.
5. The signs shall be internally illuminated only and shall be non-flashing.
6. The signs (including their structure and advertising material) shall at all times be maintained in good condition.

RESOLUTION:

Moved Alderman I J N Routley, seconded Alderman A C Peck.

That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

8.2 167-169 Cambridge Street - Petition to Amend Sealed Plan**FILE NO:** 31190**AUTHOR:** Peter Stephens (Approvals Co-ordinator)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To determine an application to amend Sealed Plan No 3788 affecting 167-169 Cambridge Street.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve of the Petition to amend Sealed Plan No 3788 under Section 103 of the Local Government (Building & Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 by deleting Covenants A & B in the Schedule of Easements to the said Sealed Plan.

RESOLUTION:**Moved Alderman I J N Routley, seconded Alderman A L Waddle.****That the Recommendation be adopted.****CARRIED**

8.3 Crematorium and Cemetery Fees**FILE NO:** SF0817**AUTHOR:** Rod Fisher (Manager Businesses & Operations)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider an increase in fees at Car Villa Cemetery and Crematorium and at the Lilydale Cemetery.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council Meeting – 9 June 1998 - Agenda Item 21

RECOMMENDATION:

That under the authority of Section 205 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council impose the following fees at Car Villa Cemetery and Crematorium and at the Lilydale Cemetery, the same to be effective on and from the 1st day of July 2001.

RESOLUTION:

Moved Alderman A L Waddle, seconded Alderman A C Peck.

That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

8.4 200B Alanvale Road - Adhesion Order**FILE NO:** 32339/32340**AUTHOR:** Peter Stephens (Approvals Co-ordinator)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To determine an application for approval of an adhesion of land at 200B and 204 Alanvale Road, Newnham.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve of the adhesion of land under Section 110 of the Local Government (Building & Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 comprised and described in Certificate of Title Volume 105686 Folio 3 and Certificate of Title Volume 105686 Folio 4.

RESOLUTION:**Moved Alderman R W Shipp, seconded Alderman A L Waddle.****That the Recommendation be adopted.****CARRIED**

8.5 Aldermen's Question Time and Other Business

Businesses and Operations Division

Nil

9 TOTAL WORKFORCE

Mr R Sweetnam was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of Agenda Item 9.1 inclusive.

9.1 Aldermen's Question Time and Other Business

Total Workforce Division

Nil

10 STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT

Mr I Abernethy was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of Agenda Items 10.1 – 10.2 inclusive.

10.1 Planning Scheme Amendment 047 - 390 Hobart Road (Glenara)

FILE NO: SF2884

AUTHOR: Karin Van Straten (Policy/Project Planner)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To make a recommendation to the Resource Planning & Development Commission on a draft amendment to the Launceston Planning Scheme 1996.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council recommend to the Resource Planning & Development Commission that draft Amendment No 047 to the Launceston Planning Scheme 1996 be approved as certified and exhibited.

RESOLUTION:

Moved Alderman I J N Routley, seconded Alderman A L Waddle.

That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

10.2 Aldermen's Question Time and Other Business

Strategic Development Division

10.2.1 Planned City Developments - Report

Alderman G W Beams asked for an update on the progress of the Launceston Swim Centre and the Bike Track Rezoning.

Mr Abernethy advised that both projects were continuing as planned.

10.2.2 York Park – Information on Funding

Alderman G W Beams asked if Mr Abernethy had heard any details about possible future funding from the State Government for York Park.

Mr Abernethy replied that no information had been passed to him on the matter.

11 INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS

Mr G Brayford was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of Agenda Items 11.1 – 11.3 inclusive.

11.1 Franklin Village Hall

FILE NO: SF2567

AUTHOR: Jill Lynd (Administration Officer – Parks & Recreation)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To seek Council approval to sell Franklin Village Hall. A decision to sell public land requires an absolute majority decision.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Recreation, Culture & Community Facilities Portfolio Group
13 February, 1995 – Item 7
8th July, 1998 – Item 14

Council:

15th July, 1996 – Item 24
31st August, 1998 – Item 14
24th July, 2000 – Item 5

RECOMMENDATION:

That pursuant to the provisions of Section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, that Council approve the disposal of the Franklin Village Hall and land by tender.

RESOLUTION:

Moved Alderman G W Beams, seconded Alderman A C Peck.

That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

11.2 Tender Review Committee Meeting 23rd April 2001**FILE NO:** SF0100**AUTHOR:** Geoff Brayford (Manager – Infrastructure Assets)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider the decisions taken by the Tender Review Committee at the above meeting

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be noted

RESOLUTION:**Moved Alderman I J N Routley, seconded Alderman H G Brookes.****That the Recommendation be adopted.****CARRIED**

11.3 Aldermen's Question Time and Other Business

Infrastructure Assets Division

11.3.1 Traffic Dangers – Mowbray Heights

Alderman R W Shipp asked if it would be possible for Council to improve the traffic flow around the Pleasant Street area and to prevent cars using the Mowbray Hotel car park as a thoroughfare.

Mr Brayford took the question on notice.

11.3.2 Pedestrian Crossing – Beatty/Jellico Streets Junction.

Alderman R W Shipp asked if Council could improve the safety of a pedestrian crossing near Jellico Street by moving its position westwards away from the road junction.

Mr Brayford took the question on notice.

11.3.3 Infrastructure Assets - Budget

Alderman M E Smart asked for a list of items which will appear on the Infrastructure Assets Budget for 2001/2002.

Mr Brayford took the question on notice.

12 CORPORATE SERVICES

Mr M Tidey was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of Agenda Items 12.1 – 12.11 inclusive.

12.1 LGAT Annual Conference - LCC's Views On Motions

FILE NO: SF2218

AUTHOR: Martin Reynolds (Corporate Secretary)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To determine Council's views on various motions proposed to be debated at the LGAT Conference in Hobart from 29-31 May 2000.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Council form a view in respect of the proposed motions to be debated at the 2001 LGAT Annual Conference.
2. That the Mayor and Delegation to the 2001 LGAT Annual Conference, vote in accordance with Council's views as determined under Recommendation 1.

RESOLUTION: (1):

Moved Alderman M E Smart, seconded Alderman G W Beams.

That the Standing Orders be suspended to allow discussion on this Item.

CARRIED

12.1 Lgat Annual Conference - Lcc's Views On Motions ...(Cont'd)

RESOLUTION: (2):

Moved Alderman A C Peck, seconded Alderman R L McKendrick.

That the Council resume standing orders.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: (3):

Moved Alderman A C Peck, seconded Alderman R L McKendrick.

That the Mayor and Delegates of the Launceston City Council to the 2001 LGAT Annual Conference vote in accordance with the following determinations regarding the Motions put to the LGAT by other Councils from around Tasmania. These Motions were reproduced on pages 54 – 57 of the Launceston City Council Agenda for the 7 May 2001.

1) In favour – 1.3	7.1
4.1	8.1
5.1	10.2.1
5.2	10.2.2

2) Against – 1.1	7.2.1
10.1	7.2.2

3) Support with Modifications – 5.3

CARRIED

12.2 LGAT - Rules For Election of President

FILE NO: SF2218 SF0331

AUTHOR: Martin Reynolds (Corporate Secretary)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To alert Council to the changes in the Association's rules governing the voting for election of President of the Association.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be noted.

RESOLUTION:

Moved Alderman M E Smart, seconded Alderman R L McKendrick.

That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

12.3 Two Part Water Pricing

FILE NO: SF0332/SF0723

AUTHOR: Michael Tidey (Manager Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To determine a range of administrative and procedural issues associated with the implementation of a new two part water pricing model.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Strategic Planning and Policy Committee – 5 February, 2001.

Council Meeting 26 February, 2001.

Council Meeting 13 March, 2001.

Council Meeting 26 March, 2001.

Council Meeting 9 April, 2001.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the quarterly domestic reads commencing in July be used to further test our procedures and verify data required under the new policy.
2. That a policy of applying any changes in the unit price of water be applied on a pro-rata basis to the usage for the period.
3. That the first bills for the properties, currently charged for water consumption under the commercial tariff, commence from the first reads after July 1 that relate to a significant period in the 2001 financial year.
4. That where water is supplied to a property in another municipality then the municipality should be charged on the same basis as though it were in Launceston.
5. That Council
 - (a) Negotiates the transfer of properties supplied directly by Esk Water to Launceston so they are charged on the same basis as other properties.
 - (b) Investigates the need for any transitional pricing arrangements for properties supplied by Esk Water, in particular those with large connections.
6. That
 - (a) Council properties be charged for water on the same basis as other properties within the municipality.

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- (b) Where a Council property is unmetered then an estimated consumption charge will be made against the property based on a similar type of property.
7. That
- (a) The Council department responsible for the management of an asset/facility that is supplied with water be charged the rates and charges associated with the property.
- (b) That a tenant be charged an appropriate commercial rent, which includes the rates and charges, plus the cost of water used.
- (c) That if Council resolves that the tenant is required to pay an amount less than the commercial charge then this amount, shall be treated as a subsidy or remission.
8. That customer reading of meters by large volume users be trialled to identify data recording issues and procedures.
9. A rate or charge consistent with the existing water rate and minimum should apply to properties that are not connected to the water supply but would be subject to a water rate. The charge to be subject to annual review in the budget.
10. A standard charge (or range of standard charges) be calculated for unmetered residential properties as though they are metered including a component based on a standard assumed consumption. The charge to be subject to annual review in the budget.
11. Charges be calculated for unmetered non-residential properties as though they are metered including a component based on an assumed consumption. This charge to be calculated on a case by case basis. The charge would be billed as a total charge rather than estimated consumption. The charge to be subject to annual review in the budget.
12. That an equivalent charge under the new system be applied to properties in the Lilydale Water Scheme, so as these properties increase by a similar percentage to other comparable Launceston properties.
- That the basis of charging customers connected to the Lilydale Water Scheme be reviewed again in two years.
- That the cost of the Lilydale Water Scheme and the revenue generated be compared annually to identify the deficit on the operation of the scheme.

12.3 Two Part Water Pricing ...(Cont'd)

13. That a minimum charge be based on a standard estimated amount used per day for residential properties, where a valid reading cannot be obtained.

Where from available information usage is estimated to be more than the standard then the charge can be based on this information.

14. That

- (a) A charge for non-residential properties, where a valid meter reading cannot be obtained, be based on an average consumption level from previous periods.
- (b) Where previous reading information is not available then usage should be estimated from similar categories of user.
- (c) That where usage cannot be predicted from previous usage by the property and the estimate exceeds 1,000 litres per day, then the Rates Manager shall obtain Council approval for the proposed charge.

RESOLUTION:

Moved Alderman A C Peck, seconded Alderman I J N Routley.

That the Recommendation, points 1 – 14 inclusive, be adopted.

CARRIED ON A SHOW OF HANDS 8:3

At their requests Alderman McKendrick and Alderman Shipp were recorded as voting against the motion.

12.4 St Leonards Road - Property Issues

FILE NO: 25884/28247/25183/27211/25185/27212/2901/25961/20681

AUTHOR: Michael Tidey (Manager Corporate Services) and Andrew Smith (Manager Parks and Recreation)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To determine a course of action as a result of encroachments onto Council land by private individuals.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns matters relating to actual or possible litigation involving the council or staff of the council.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

12.5 Asphalt Plant Site

FILE NO: 20678/27198/28240/28241/28243

AUTHOR: Michael Tidey (Manager Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To resolve issues associated with the sale of the Asphalt Plant site.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Closed Council - Agenda Item 26 - 13 September, 1999

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns the health or financial position of any person/company.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

12.6 National Automobile Museum of Tasmania (NAMT)**FILE NO:** SF0487**AUTHOR:** Michael Tidey (Manager Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider a restructure of the arrangements with the National Automobile Museum of Tasmania.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council - 3 July, 1995

Council - 14 August, 1995

Council - 17 March, 1997

Portfolio Group Meeting - 15 June, 1998

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns the health or financial position of any person/company.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

12.7 Lease - Oasis Coffee Lounge (11 Centreway Arcade)**FILE NO:** SF2643**AUTHOR:** Michael Tidey (Manager Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider extending the term of the lease on the Oasis Coffee Lounge.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council – Agenda Item 24, 8 November, 1999

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns the health or financial position of any person/company.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

12.8 Property Lease Agreements**FILE NO:** SF2967**AUTHOR:** Michael Tidey (Manager Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider guidelines for property management agreements.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns the health or financial position of any person/company.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

12.9 Water Meter Reading Tender**FILE NO:** CD023/2001**AUTHOR:** Stephen Collins (Manager Rates)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To select a contractor for reading the Council's water meters.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns the health or financial position of any person/company.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

12.10 Loan Borrowings - Year Ending 30 June 2001**FILE NO:** SF0506**AUTHOR:** Michael Tidey (Manager Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider the amount of Council loan funds that should be sought for the current financial year.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Closed Council 7 March 2000
(Loan Borrowings – Year Ending 30 June 2000)

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns contracts for the supply and purchase of goods and services.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

12.11 Aldermen's Question Time and Other Business

Corporate Services Division

Nil

13 GENERAL MANAGER**13.1 Community Grant Request - Prospect High School Senior Vocal Ensemble****FILE NO:** SF0486**AUTHOR:** Gary W Stokes (Manager Civic Affairs)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To respond to a request for assistance.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council not provide financial assistance to the Prospect High School Senior Vocal Ensemble to assist it with costs associated with performing at the National Australian Society of Music Educators Conference in Adelaide.

RESOLUTION:**Moved Alderman I J N Routley, seconded Alderman H G Brookes.****That the Recommendation be adopted.****CARRIED**

13.2 Community Grant Request - Intowork Recruitment & Training**FILE NO:** SF0486**AUTHOR:** Gary W Stokes (Manager Civic Affairs)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To respond to a request for assistance.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council not provide financial assistance to Intowork Recruitment and Training for costs associated with the Statewide Skateboard Competition held on 28 April 2001.

RESOLUTION:**Moved Alderman I J N Routley, seconded Alderman M E Smart.****That the Recommendation be adopted.****CARRIED**

13.3 Community Grant Request - Report - Launceston Kart Club**FILE NO:** SF0486**AUTHOR:** Gary W Stokes (Manager Civic Affairs)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To report to Council on a Community Grant.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council note the report from the Launceston Kart Club concerning the grant provided to it.

RESOLUTION:**Moved Alderman M E Smart, seconded Alderman G W Beams.****That the Recommendation be adopted.****CARRIED**

13.4 Relocation of Total Workforce Depot

FILE NO: 19102 / SF0787

AUTHOR: R G Campbell (General Manager)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To purchase a site for the Total Workforce depot.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council Meeting 9 April 2001
Council Meeting 12 February 2001
Council Meeting 29 January 2001

RECOMMENDATION:

That this item be dealt with in Closed Council as it concerns proposals for the acquisition of land or disposal of land, which is not public land.

This Item was dealt with in Closed Session.

13.5 Aldermen's Question Time and Other Business**General Manager Division****13.5.1 York Park – Role in Football.****RESOLUTION: (1):**

Moved Alderman R L McKendrick, seconded Alderman R W Shipp.

That Alderman McKendrick be permitted to put a Motion not on the Council Agenda.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

RESOLUTION: (2):

Moved Alderman R L McKendrick, seconded Alderman H G Brookes.

That the Launceston City Council, through the Mayor and General Manager, urgently request a meeting with the Premier and Football Tasmania to discuss making York Park the home of football in Tasmania.

CARRIED

13.5.2 Refusal to Give Information to an Alderman.

Alderman G W Beams asked if the General Manager had discovered the identity of the Council Officer who is alleged to have refused to give information to Alderman Dickenson.

The General Manager replied that the identity of the Officer in question is not known.

13.5.3 Status of Outstanding Reports

Alderman M E Smart asked if Alderman's Briefing Notes could be used to replace the Alderman's Question Time section if this section is removed from Council Meetings. Alderman Smart also requested that the status Report on Outstanding Requests be reinstated to the Aldermen's Briefing Notes section of the Closed Agenda.

The General Manager took the question on notice.

13.5.4 Refusal to Give Information to an Alderman - Motion

RESOLUTION: (1):

Moved Alderman H G Brookes, seconded Alderman G W Beams.

That Alderman Brookes be given permission to move a motion not on the Council Agenda.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

RESOLUTION: (2):

Moved Alderman H G Brookes, seconded Alderman G W Beams.

That Launceston City Council call on Alderman Dickenson to answer the question contained in the Mayor's letter to Aldermen of April 12 to enable Council to put the matter of the claim that Alderman Dickenson was refused information to rest.

CARRIED ON A SHOW OF HANDS 7:4

14 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

15 REPORTS BY THE MAYOR**15.1 Re-enactment of Federation**

The Mayor will represent the Launceston City Council in Melbourne for the re-enactment of Federation.

15.2 York Park – Possible Future Funding

The Mayor reported that the Premier suggested that York Park would not suffer due to lack of funds.

16 REPORTS BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

Nil

17 ALDERMEN'S/DELEGATES' REPORTS

Nil

The Mayor adjourned the Meeting at 3.38 pm.

The Mayor reconvened the Meeting at 3.55 pm.

Alderman McKendrick re-entered the Chamber at 3.57 pm.

Alderman Peck re-entered the Chamber at 4.00 pm.

RESOLUTION: (1):

Moved Alderman R J Sands, seconded Alderman A L Waddle.

That Council move into Closed Session to discuss those items previously nominated on this Agenda as Closed Session items.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

Council moved into Closed Session at 3.55 pm.

RESOLUTION: (2):

Moved Alderman A C Peck, seconded Alderman A L Waddle.

That Council move out of Closed Session and endorse those decisions taken while in Closed Session.

CARRIED

Council moved out of Closed Session at 5.07 pm.

18 MEETING CLOSURE

The Mayor closed the Meeting at 5.07 pm.

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