



Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

held in the Council Chambers

John Street, Coonabarabran

on Thursday, 15 June 2023

commencing at 5:08 pm

PRESENT: Cr A Iannuzzi (Chairperson), Cr K Brady, Cr D Hogden, Cr Z Holcombe (via videolink), Cr C Kopke, Cr J Newton, Cr K Rindfleish and Cr D Todd (via videolink)

In attendance: General Manager (Roger Bailey), Director Corporate and Community Services (Lindsay Mason), Acting Director Environment and Development Services (Kelly Dewar), Acting Director Technical Services (Kylie Kerr), and Executive Assistant to the General Manager (Erin Player – Minutes).

The Chairperson addressed the meeting to acknowledge local residents Mr Peter Shinton and Mrs Donna Burton receiving the Order of Australia Medal (OAM) as recipients of the King's Birthday Honours.

Acknowledgement of Country

Cr Kopke acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the Land at which the meeting is held and paid respects to Elders, both past and present, of the Gomeroi Nation and extended that respect to other Aboriginal people who are present.

Recording of Meeting

The Chairperson announced that the meeting was being streamed live plus audio recorded, and that the audio recording will be published.

APOLOGIES

344/2223 RESOLVED that the apology from Councillor Ambrose Doolan be accepted and a leave of absence be granted.

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Confirmation of Minutes

345/2223 RESOLVED that Council confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 18 May 2023 noting that Cr Brady read the Acknowledgment of Country and the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on the 30 May 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

The Chairperson called for Disclosure of Interests

Nil

Item 1 Mayoral Minute – Mayors Log of Activity, Kilometres Travelled and Expenses from 15 May 2023 to 7 June 2023

346/2223 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Notes the report on the Mayor's Activity and Log of Kilometres Travelled for the period 15 May 2023 to 7 June 2023.
2. Notes the report on the Mayor's credit card expenses between 9 May 2023 and 7 June 2023 and approves the payment of expenses totalling \$74.71.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 2 Councillors' Monthly Travel Claims

347/2223 RESOLVED that the Councillors' monthly travel claims report in the amount of \$1,352.52 be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Rindfleish

For – Unanimous

Item 3 Minutes of Alliance of Western Councils (AWC) Board Meetings 19 May 2023

348/2223 RESOLVED that Council note the Delegate's Report in relation to Alliance of Western Councils (AWC) Board meeting held in Dubbo on Friday 19 December 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

Item 4 Minutes of Country Mayors Meeting 26 May 2023

349/2223 RESOLVED that Council note the Delegate's Report in relation to the Country Mayors Association meeting held in Sydney on Friday 26 May 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Hogden

For – Unanimous

Item 5 Invitation to join the Coalition of Energy Mayors (CoREM)

350/2223 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Notes the invitation received to join the Coalition of Energy Mayors (CoREM) and the Terms of Reference for the Coalition of Energy Mayors;
2. Accepts the invitation to join the Coalition of Energy Mayors (CoREM); and
3. Appoints the Mayor and General Manager as Council's delegates to the Coalition of Energy Mayors (CoREM)

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 6 Local Government Remuneration Tribunal 2023 Annual Report and Determination

351/2223 RESOLVED that Council determine:

- i. The annual fees for Councillors for 2023/24 be the maximum amount of \$13,030.
- ii. The annual fee for the Mayor for 2023/24 be the maximum amount of \$28,430

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Todd

For – Unanimous

Item 7 Future of Freight Symposium 2023 – Toowoomba

352/2223 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Notes the report in relation to the Future of Freight Symposium 2023 to be held in Toowoomba from 4 to 6 July 2023 and;
2. Council does not appoint a delegate to attend the Future of Freight Symposium 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 8 Council Resolutions Report

353/2223 RESOLVED that the Council Resolution Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 9 Revotes and High Value Projects Report

354/2223 RESOLVED that the Revote and High Value Projects Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Todd

For – Unanimous

Item 10 Draft Media Policies

355/2223 RESOLVED that Council adopts the draft *Media Policy* and *Social Media Policy*.

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Holcombe

For – Unanimous

Item 11 Delivery Program Progress Report – 3rd Quarter 2022/23

356/2223 RESOLVED that Council endorses the Delivery Program Progress Report for the period 1 July 2022 to 31 March 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 12 Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the 3rd Quarter Ending 31 March 2023

357/2223 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Accept the 3rd Quarter Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the 2022/23 financial year, as presented;
2. Approve the variations as described in Table 1a; and
3. Note and accept the information provided on the status of the rates and annual charges for the period ending 31 March 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Holcombe

For – Unanimous

Item 13 Investments and Term Deposits

358/2223 RESOLVED that Council accept the Investments Report for the month ending 31 May 2023 including a total balance of \$34,277,405.76 being:

- \$612,349.12 in at call accounts.
- \$32,000,000.00 in term deposits.
- \$1,665,056.64 cash at bank.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Hogden

For – Unanimous

Item 14 Natural Disaster Response and Recovery Monthly Report for June 2023

359/2223 RESOLVED that Council note the Natural Disaster Response and Recovery Monthly Report for June 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 15 Orana Water Utilities Alliance Deed of Agreement Report

360/2223 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Notes the information contained in the Orana Water Utilities Alliance Deed of Agreement report.

2. Authorises the General Manager to execute and sign the Orana Water Utilities Alliance deed of agreement.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

Item 16 Alcohol Free Zones Report

361/2223 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Notes the information contained in the Alcohol Free Zones Report
2. Re-establishes the Alcohol Free Zones as advertised in the towns of Baradine, Binnaway, Coonabarabran, Coolah, Dunedoo and Mendooran for a period of four (4) years from July 2023 to July 2027.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 17 Development Applications

362/2223 RESOLVED that Council notes the Applications and Certificates approved during May 2023, under Delegated Authority.

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Todd

For – Unanimous

Item 18 Reports to be Considered in Closed Council

Item 18.1 Human Resources Monthly Report

363/2223 RESOLVED that the Human Resources Monthly Report be referred to Closed Council pursuant to section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) on the grounds that the matter deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Todd

For – Unanimous

The General Manager offered the opportunity to members of the public to make representation as to whether any part of the aforementioned items should not be considered in Closed Council.

There was no response from the public.

364/2223 RESOLVED that:

1. Council go into Closed Council to consider business relating to confidential information.
2. Pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of Section 10A(2) as outlined above.
3. The correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW).

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Hogden

For – Unanimous

5.38 pm
Closed Council

Item 18.1 Human Resources Monthly Report

365/2223 RESOLVED that the Human Resources Monthly report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

366/2223 RESOLVED that Council return to Open Council.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

5.43pm
Open Council

The resolutions of Closed Council were announced to the meeting by the General Manager.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.44 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON