



Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

held in the Council Chambers

John Street, Coonabarabran

on Thursday, 17 August 2023

commencing at 5:18 pm

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

In attendance: General Manager (Roger Bailey), Director Corporate and Community Services (Lindsay Mason), Director Environment and Development Services (Leeanne Ryan), Director Technical Services (Nicole Benson), and Executive Assistant to the General Manager (Erin Player – Minutes).

Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the Land at which the meeting is held and paid respects to Elders, both past and present, of the Gomerioi 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

Nil

Confirmation of Minutes

39/2324 RESOLVED that Council confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 20 July 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

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 13 July 2023 to 9 August 2023

40/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Notes the report on the Mayor's Activity and Log of Kilometres Travelled for the period 13 July 2023 to 9 August 2023.
2. Notes the report on the Mayor's credit card expenses between 18 July 2023 and 4 August 2023 and approves the payment of expenses totalling \$998.54.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 2 Mayoral Minute – Castlereagh River Rehabilitation Project

41/2324 RESOLVED that to enhance the Castlereagh River Rehabilitation Project and increase tourism Council makes application to the State Government to close the rail corridor through Coonabarabran to facilitate the creation of a rail trail.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 3 Councillors' Monthly Travel Claims

42/2324 RESOLVED that the Councillors' monthly travel claims report in the amount of \$840.45 be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Iannuzzi

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

Item 4 Delegate's Report – Country Mayors Meeting 4 August 2023

43/2324 RESOLVED that Council note the Delegate's Report in relation to the Country Mayors Association meeting held in Sydney on Friday 4 August 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan

SECONDED: Councillor Iannuzzi

For – Unanimous

Item 5 Delegate's Report – North West Weight of Loads Meeting – Thursday 27 July 2023

44/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the Delegate's Report on the North West Weight of Loads Meeting held Thursday 27 July 2023 in the Inverall Shire Council Chambers.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 6 Delegate's Report – Mining and Energy Related Councils Meeting – Tuesday 3 August 2023

45/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the Delegate's Report on the Mining and Energy Related Councils Meeting held Tuesday 3 August 2023 in the Jubilee Room, Parliament House Sydney.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Iannuzzi

For – Unanimous

Item 7 Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting – 27 July 2023

46/2324 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on the 27 July 2023 are noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

Item 8 Minutes of Coonabarabran Swimming Pool Advisory Committee Meeting – 17 July 2023

47/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the minutes of the Coonabarabran Swimming Pool Advisory Committee meeting held at Coonabarabran on 17 July 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Rindfleish

For – Unanimous

Item 9 Minutes of Coonabarabran Town Beautification Advisory Committee Meeting – 19 July 2023

48/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the minutes of the Coonabarabran Town Beautification Advisory Committee meeting held at Coonabarabran on 19 July 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 10 Minutes of Coonabarabran Sporting Complex Advisory Committee Meeting – 31 July 2023

49/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the minutes of the Coonabarabran Sporting Complex Advisory Committee meeting held at Coonabarabran on 31 July 2023.

MOVED: Councillor Holcombe

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 11 2023 Local Government NSW Annual Conference

50/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Note the report on the LGNSW Annual Conference to be held from Sunday 12 November 2023 to Tuesday 14 November 2023 at the Rosehill Gardens Racecourse, Sydney.
2. Considers the motions received from Councillors for submissions to the LGNSW Annual Conference.
3. Appoints the Mayor as Council's voting delegate to the LGNSW Annual Conference.
4. Appoints two Councillor observers to the Conference.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

51/2324 RESOLVED that Council submits the following motions to the LGNSW Annual Conference:

M1. That the state government develop a comprehensive offshore wind farms strategy close to major demand centres in order to speed up the transition to renewables.

M2. That as a high proportion of the cost of the transition to renewable energy is the construction of transmission lines from rural areas to the metropolitan area LGNSW should lobby the State Government to construct more renewable energy assets in the metropolitan area with particular emphasis on wind generation off the northern and southern beaches.

MOVED: Councillor Doolan

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

For – Unanimous

52/2324 RESOLVED that Council appoints Councillors D. Todd and K. Rindfleish as observers to the Conference.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

Item 12 Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy

MOTION that Council endorse the draft Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy.

MOVED: Councillor Todd

SECONDED: Councillor Newton

On being put the Motion was LOST

For – Cr Todd and Cr Newton

Against – Cr Doolan, Cr Brady, Cr Iannuzzi, Cr Holcombe, Cr Hogden, Cr Kopke and Cr Rindfleish

Item 13 Council Resolutions Report

53/2324 RESOLVED that the Council Resolution Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Holcombe

SECONDED: Councillor Iannuzzi

For – Unanimous

Item 14 Revotes and High Value Projects Report

54/2324 RESOLVED that the Revote and High Value Projects Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

For – Unanimous

Item 15 2023 Agency Information Guide

55/2324 RESOLVED that Council endorses and adopts the 2023 Agency Information Guide.

MOVED: Councillor Holcombe

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 16 Investments and Term Deposits – month ending 31 July 2023

56/2324 RESOLVED that Council accept the Investments Report for the month ending 31 July 2023 including a total balance of \$41,334,509.27 being:

- \$1,218,426.67 in at call accounts.
- \$39,500,000.00 in term deposits.
- \$616,082.60 cash at bank.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Iannuzzi

For – Unanimous

Item 17 Natural Disaster Response and Recovery Monthly Report for August 2023

57/2324 RESOLVED that Council:

1. Notes the Natural Disaster Response and Recovery Monthly Report for August 2023.
2. Notes the changes to the nominated projects for Local Government Recovery Grants.

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 18 Drinking Water Management System Improvement Plan Implementation – August 2023 Update Report

58/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the Drinking Water Management System Improvement Plan Implementation – August 2023 Update Report.

MOVED: Councillor Iannuzzi

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 19 Mendooran Water Quality Incident Review Report Implementation – August 2023 Progress Update

59/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the implementation progress of the recommendations within the Mendooran Water Quality Incident Review Report.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Iannuzzi

For – Unanimous

Item 20 Development Applications

60/2324 RESOLVED that Council notes the Applications and Certificates approved during July 2023, under Delegated Authority.

MOVED: Councillor Brady

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 21 Reports to be Considered in Closed Council

61/2324 RESOLVED that:

1. Item 21.1 Human Resources Monthly Report

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).

2. Item 21.2 Support and Maintenance End User Support Agreement

That the Support and Maintenance End User Support Agreement Report be referred to Closed Council pursuant to section 10A(2)(d) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) on the grounds that the matter deals with commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or reveal a trade secret.

3. Item 21.3 Tender for the Design and Construction of Modular Amenities at Dunedoo War Memorial Swimming Pool

That the Tender for the Design and Construction of Modular Amenities at Dunedoo War Memorial Swimming Pool Report be referred to Closed Council pursuant to section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) on the grounds that the matter deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct).

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

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.

62/2324 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 Kopke

For – Unanimous

5.52 pm
Closed Council

Item 21.1 Human Resources Monthly Report

63/2324 RESOLVED that the Human Resources Monthly Report be noted for information.

MOVED: Councillor Iannuzzi

SECONDED: Councillor Kopke

For – Unanimous

Item 21.2 Support and Maintenance End User Support Agreement

64/2324 RESOLVED that Council enters into the Support and Maintenance End User Support Agreement 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 with Tamworth Regional Council for the provision of Information Technology services.

MOVED: Councillor Kopke

SECONDED: Councillor Iannuzzi

For – Unanimous

Item 21.3 Tender for the Design and Construction of Modular Amenities at Dunedoo War Memorial Swimming Pool

65/2324 RESOLVED that:

1. Council not accept tenders received for design and construction of modular amenities at the Dunedoo War Memorial Swimming Pool.
2. Due to the funding timeline, authorise the General Manager in accordance with Clause 178 (3)(e) of the Local Government (General) Regulations to enter into negotiations with any contractor for design and construction of modular amenities at the Dunedoo War Memorial Swimming Pool.
3. Should negotiations be successful then Council authorise the General Manager to accept the tender.
4. Should additional funds be required then Council authorise the General Manager to commit such funds.
5. The General Manager report to Council on the tender negotiations.

Meeting date: 17 August 2023

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Brady

5.59pm

Cr Holcombe left the meeting.

For – Unanimous

66/2324 RESOLVED that Council return to Open Council.

MOVED: Councillor Newton

SECONDED: Councillor Rindfleish

For – Unanimous

6.01 pm

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 6.03 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON