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# Minutes ordinary council meeting

# ALBY SCHULTZ MEETING CENTRE, COOTAMUNDRA

# 6:00PM, Tuesday 18th April, 2023

Administration Centres: 1300 459 689

# MINUTES OF COOTAMUNDRA-GUNDAGAI REGIONAL COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE ALBY SCHULTZ MEETING CENTRE, COOTAMUNDRA ON TUESDAY, 18 APRIL 2023 AT 6:00PM

- **PRESENT:**Cr Charlie Sheahan (Mayor), Cr Les Boyd, Cr Logan Collins, Cr David Graham, Cr<br/>Gil Kelly, Cr Abb McAlister, Cr Penny Nicholson
- IN ATTENDANCE: Steve McGrath (Interim General Manager), Paul Woods (Interim Deputy General Manager - CCD), Matt Stubbs (Deputy General Manager - Operations), Linda Wiles (Manager Business), Zac Mahon (Manager Finance), Stephen Targett (Acting Manager Engineering Gundagai)

# 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson acknowledged the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land at which the meeting was held and paid his respects to Elders, both past and present, of the Wiradjuri Nation and extended that respect to other Aboriginal people who were present.

# ADJOURN MEETING FOR OPEN FORUM

# **RESOLUTION 084/2023**

Moved: Cr Charlie Sheahan Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

Council adjourn for Open Forum.

CARRIED

# 2 OPEN FORUM

List of Speakers

1. Steve Mills – Muttama Creek Regeneration Group Minutes

# **RESUME OPEN MEETING**

# RESOLUTION 085/2023

Moved: Cr Charlie Sheahan Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

# Council resume the Open Meeting.

# 3 APOLOGIES

# **RESOLUTION 086/2023**

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly Seconded: Cr David Graham

Apologies from Cr Leigh Bowden and Cr Trevor Glover be received and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

# 4 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

8.2.1 Gundagai Business Network – request for support:

Councillor Penny Nicholson disclosed a less than significant Non-Pecuniary interest in this item for the reason that Cr Nicholson is a committee member of the Gundagai Business Network.

# SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

# RESOLUTION 087/2023

Moved: Cr Penny Nicholson Seconded: Cr David Graham

A motion was moved that Council suspend standing orders to enable a presentation by Brad Bohun from Crowe Auditors, Council's external auditor, regarding the Financial Statements for the period ending 30 June 2022.

CARRIED

# **RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

# RESOLUTION 088/2023

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

# 8.3.1 PRESENTATION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### RESOLUTION 089/2023

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

The General Purpose Financial Statements, Special Purpose Financial Statements and Special Schedules for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 be adopted following consideration of any submission received.

CARRIED

# SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

#### **RESOLUTION 090/2023**

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

A motion was moved that Council suspend standing orders to enable a presentation by Inspector Nadine Roberts, Riverina Police District Officer in Charge of Cootamundra.

CARRIED

# **RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

#### RESOLUTION 091/2023

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

CARRIED

Riverina Police District, Officer in Charge of Cootamundra, Inspector Nadine Roberts gave a presentation to Council and the community. Inspector Roberts introduced the Riverina Police District Senior Management Team and provided an update on local crime statistics for the Local Government Area.

# 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

# 5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 28 MARCH 2023

# RESOLUTION 092/2023

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly Seconded: Cr David Graham

- 1. The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 28 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.
- 2. The Confidential Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 28 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

# 6 MAYORAL MINUTES

# 6.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - COUNCILLOR ENGAGEMENT

# **RESOLUTION 093/2023**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

The information in the Councillor Engagements Mayoral Minute be received and noted.

CARRIED

# 7 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Nil

- 8 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
- 8.1 GENERAL MANAGER OFFICE
- Nil

# 8.2 BUSINESS

#### 8.2.1 GUNDAGAI BUSINESS NETWORK - REQUEST FOR SUPPORT

#### RESOLUTION 094/2023

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

- 1. Council accept the attached correspondence provided by Sharon Elworthy of the Gundagai Business Network, dated 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023.
- 2. Gundagai Business Network be encouraged to apply via Council's Community Donations Program to cover Christmas celebrations.
- **3.** Gundagai Business Network be further encouraged to enter into an MOU with Council for the next 12 months, allowing funding to be included in the 2023/2024 budget.
- 4. Council initiate contact and arrange a meeting with Gundagai Business Network committee representatives to discuss a plan for 2023 Christmas celebrations in Gundagai.

CARRIED

# 8.2.2 DESIGNATED OFFICERS

#### **RESOLUTION 095/2023**

Moved: Cr Penny Nicholson Seconded: Cr David Graham

The staff holding the positions listed in table A, in the report, be classified as designated persons for the purposes of completion of disclosures in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

CARRIED

#### 8.2.3 STOCKINBINGAL ELLWOOD'S HALL S.355 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

#### RESOLUTION 096/2023

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly Seconded: Cr Logan Collins

- 1. The Minutes of the Stockinbingal Ellwood's Hall s.355 Committee meeting held 23 March 2023 attached to the report be, received and noted.
- 2. The proposed 2023/2024 schedule of hall hire charges for the Stockinbingal Ellwood's Hall, attached to the report, be listed in the 2023/2024 CGRC Operational Plan Fees and Charges.

# 8.2.4 WALLENDBEEN MEMORIAL HALL S.355 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, MEMBERSHIP AND FEES

#### RESOLUTION 097/2023

Moved: Cr Abb McAlister Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

- 1. The Minutes and supporting documentation of the Wallendbeen Memorial Hall s.355 Committee Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 15 March 2023, attached to the report, be received and noted.
- 2. The office bearers and membership of the Wallendbeen Memorial Hall s.355 Committee as detailed in the report and attached AGM minutes, be endorsed.
- 3. The proposed 2023/2024 schedule of hall hire charges for the Wallendbeen Memorial Hall, attached to the report, be listed in the 2023/24 CGRC Operational Plan Fees and Charges.
- 4. The letter of appreciation to Council, from the Wallendbeen Memorial Hall s.355 Committee, attached to the report, be received and noted.

CARRIED

# 8.3 FINANCE

# 8.3.2 CGRC BUDGET RESULT REPORT 2021/22

#### RESOLUTION 098/2023

Moved: Cr Penny Nicholson Seconded: Cr David Graham

#### The CGRC Budget Result for 2021/22 be received and noted

# CARRIED

# 8.3.3 FINANCE UPDATE - OPERATIONAL AND CAPITAL INCOME & EXPENDITURE

#### **RESOLUTION 099/2023**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Logan Collins

# The Finance Update report, be received and noted.

# 8.3.4 RESTRICTED CASH RECONCILIATION

#### RESOLUTION 100/2023

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

The Restricted Cash Reconciliation report, be received and noted.

CARRIED

# 8.3.5 INVESTMENT REPORT - MARCH 2023

#### **RESOLUTION 101/2023**

Moved: Cr Abb McAlister Seconded: Cr Logan Collins

The report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 31 March 2023, be received and noted.

CARRIED

#### 8.3.6 PROCUREMENT POLICY

#### **RESOLUTION 102/2023**

Moved: Cr Abb McAlister Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

The Draft Procurement Policy, attached to the report, be adopted.

CARRIED

#### 8.3.7 PENSIONER CONCESSION POLICY

#### RESOLUTION 103/2023

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Logan Collins

The Draft Pensioner Concession Policy, attached to the report, be adopted.

# 8.3.8 RATES & CHARGES FINANCIAL HARDSHIP POLICY

#### RESOLUTION 104/2023

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly Seconded: Cr Abb McAlister

The Draft Rates & Charges Financial Hardship Policy, attached to the report, be adopted.

CARRIED

# 8.3.9 CONCEALED WATER LEAK POLICY

#### **RESOLUTION 105/2023**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

#### The Draft Concealed Water Leak Policy, attached to the report, be adopted.

CARRIED

#### 8.3.10 DEBT RECOVERY POLICY

# **RESOLUTION 106/2023**

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

The Draft Debt Recovery Policy, attached to the report, be adopted.

CARRIED

#### 8.4 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

# 8.4.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED MARCH 2023

#### **RESOLUTION 107/2023**

Moved: Cr Les Boyd Seconded: Cr Logan Collins

# The information on Development Applications approved in March 2023, be received and noted.

# 8.5 ENGINEERING COOTAMUNDRA

#### 8.5.1 PEDESTRAIN ACCESS AND MOBILITY PLANS 2023-2033

#### RESOLUTION 108/2023

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Abb McAlister

The draft Cootamundra & Villages Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan 2023-2033 and the Gundagai & Villages Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan 2022-2033, attached to the report, be formally endorsed.

CARRIED

# 8.5.2 CGRC ENGINEERING REPORT - APRIL 2023

#### RESOLUTION 109/2023

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Les Boyd

The CGRC Engineering Report for the month of April 2023 be noted.

CARRIED

#### 8.6 ENGINEERING GUNDAGAI

Nil

8.7 REGIONAL SERVICES GUNDAGAI

Nil

- 8.8 REGIONAL SERVICES COOTAMUNDRA
- 8.8.1 DRAFT REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT & RESOURCE RECOVERY STRATEGY 2022-2027

#### RESOLUTION 110/2023

Moved: Cr Les Boyd Seconded: Cr Abb McAlister

The draft Regional Waste Management & Resource Recovery Strategy 2022-2027 as submitted to Council on the 28 February 2023, be referred back to REROC for consideration and appropriate action.

# 9 MOTION OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

10 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

# **10.1 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

# **RESOLUTION 111/2023**

Moved: Cr Penny Nicholson Seconded: Cr Logan Collins

The Questions with Notice from Councillors and related responses from Council officers be noted.

CARRIED

# 11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

# 11.1 CLOSED COUNCIL REPORT

# RESOLUTION 112/2023

Moved: Cr Les Boyd Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

- 1. Item 11.2 be considered in closed Council at which the press and public are excluded in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Local Government Act, 1993 and related public interest reasons detailed.
- 2. In accordance with section 11 (2) and (3) of the Local Government Act, 1993, the reports, correspondence and other documentation relating to Item 11.2 be withheld from the press and public.

CARRIED

# 11.3 RESUMPTION OF OPEN COUNCIL MEETING

# RESOLUTION 113/2023

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

# The Open Council meeting resume.

# 11.4 ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

Note: The Chairperson announced that the recommendations within Report 11.2 were adopted however the matter remains confidential at this point in time.

Resolution now open:

# 11.2 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - BOUNDARY ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE

# **RESOLUTION 114/2023**

Moved: Cr Logan Collins Seconded: Cr Abb McAlister

- 1. That Council reimburse Shannonvale Property Investments Pty Ptd \$177,240.00 from the Development Reserve (Internal).
- 2. That Council delegate the Interim General Manager the authority to sign the Deed of Agreement associated with the reimbursement to Shannonvale Property Investments Pty Ltd.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 7:36pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 23 May 2023.

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CHAIRPERSON

**GENERAL MANAGER**