



# **MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday 22 September 2020**

Michael Urquhart  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

<p><b>MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT THE WALGETT SHIRE CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 11.24AM</b></p>
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**OPEN FORUM**

**Public Presentations:**

- Nil

*The Mayor declared the meeting open at 11.24am*

**PRESENT**

Clr Manuel Martinez  
 Clr Ian Woodcock  
 Clr Jane Keir  
 Clr Lawrence Walford  
 Clr Michael Taylor  
 Clr Bill Murray  
 Clr Kelly Smith  
 Clr Tanya Cameron  
 Clr Robert Turnbull  
 Michael Urquhart (General Manager)  
 Elizabeth Cumming (Contract - Town Planner)  
 Raju Ranjit (Director Engineering/Technical Services)  
 Bronte Kerr (Minute Secretary)

**Note: Clr Tanya Cameron, Clr Robert Turnbull and Elizabeth Cumming attended the meeting via zoom**

**ABSENT – Nil**

At this juncture, the Mayor vacated the Chair and handed over to the General Manager to act in the role of Returning Officer for the election of Mayor (1 year term) and Deputy Mayor (1 year term).

The General Manager informed the meeting that it must determine the method of voting and advised that the method is limited to "Open Voting - this is by show of hands or similar means" as two Councillors are in attendance via a remote audio visual link.

<p><b>11/2020/1 Method of voting - Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor</b></p>
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**Resolved:**

That the voting for the election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor be by open voting method.

**Moved: Clr Walford**  
**Seconded: Clr Woodcock**  
**CARRIED**

### **Election of Mayor - Voting**

In accordance with schedule 7 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, the General Manager as the Returning Officer informed the meeting that three (3) written nominations in the prescribed form for the position of Mayor had been received and sought any further nominations before closing nominations.

At the close of nominations, the following nominations had been received: Clr Martinez, Clr Murray and Clr Woodcock

The election of Mayor proceeded by means of open voting and the following votes were recorded:

Councillor M Martinez  
0 vote

Councillor G Murray  
3 votes

Councillor I Woodcock  
6 votes

Councillor Ian Woodcock was duly declared elected as Mayor of Walgett Shire Council for the ensuing one year term.

### **Election of Deputy Mayor - Voting**

The Returning Officer informed the meeting that three valid nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor had been received: Clr Keir, Clr Taylor and Clr Martinez.

The election of Deputy Mayor proceeded by means of open voting and the following votes were recorded:

Councillor J Keir  
3 vote

Councillor M Taylor  
2 votes

Councillor M Martinez  
4 votes

The Returning Officer declared Clr Martinez duly elected to the position of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing one year term.

At this juncture, Mr Urquhart resumed his role as General Manager and handed the meeting to Mayor Woodcock.

**Declaration of Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary Interests**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Report title</b>	<b>Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Clr Martinez	10.3.5 Part 4 & 5	Matters for brief mention by DETS	Pecuniary	Business interest
Clr Turnbull	10.3.5 Part 4 & 5	Matters for brief mention by DETS	Pecuniary	Relationship to Clr Martinez
Clr Keir	10.3.1	Monthly Maintenance Grading Report	Pecuniary	Family Business interest

**11/2020/2 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting – 25 August 2020****Resolved:**

That the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting held 25 August 2020, having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings on the meeting.

**Moved: Clr Murray**

**Seconded: Clr Smith**

**CARRIED**

**11/2020/3 Minutes of Extra Ordinary Council Meeting – 31 August 2020****Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Extra ordinary Council meeting held 31 August 2020, having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings on the meeting.

**Moved: Clr Walford**

**Seconded: Clr Martinez**

**CARRIED**

**11/2020/4 Minutes of Local Area Traffic Committee – 6/08/2020****Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Local Area Traffic Committee Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> August 2020, having been circulated be received and noted and the recommendations contained therein are adopted as resolutions of Council.

**Moved: Clr Keir**

**Seconded: Clr Taylor**

**CARRIED**

**11/2020/5 Minutes of The Far North West Joint Organisation Meeting held 29th July 2020****Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Minutes of The Far North West Joint Organisation Meeting held 29th July 2020 having been circulated be received and noted and the recommendations contained therein are adopted as resolutions of Council.

**Moved:** Clr Martinez  
**Seconded:** Clr Keir  
**CARRIED**

**11/2020/6 Mayoral Report****Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the Mayoral report.

**Moved:** Clr Martinez  
**Seconded:** Clr Walford  
**CARRIED**

**11/2020/7 Council's Decision Action Report****Resolved:**

That the Resolution Register as at September 2020 be received and noted.

**Moved:** Clr Martinez  
**Seconded:** Clr Turnbull  
**CARRIED**

**11/2020/8 Circulars Received From the NSW Office of Local Government****Resolved:**

That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 20-33 – 20-36 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.

**Moved:** Clr Smith  
**Seconded:** Clr Taylor  
**CARRIED**

**11/2020/9 Important Dates For Councillors - Upcoming Meetings & Events****Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the list of upcoming meetings and events.

**Moved:** Clr Keir  
**Seconded:** Clr Taylor  
**CARRIED**

**11/2020/10 Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW and Procedures (2020)****Resolved:**

That Council receives and adopts the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW and Procedures.

**Moved:** Cllr Murray

**Seconded:** Cllr Taylor

**CARRIED**

*Cllr Cameron declared a non-pecuniary interest - report 10.1.5 on page 66.*

**11/2020/11 Community Assistance Scheme 2020/21 Round One – Burren Junction CWA Application For financial assistance.****Resolved:**

For Council approve financial assistance of \$2,000 to the Burren Junction CWA under the Community Assistance Scheme 2020/21 Round One Program.

**Moved:** Cllr Smith

**Seconded:** Cllr Keir

**CARRIED**

**11/2020/12 Local Government NSW – Online Annual Conference – 23 November 2020****Resolved:**

For Council's consideration.

**Moved:** Cllr Martinez

**Seconded:** Cllr Walford

**CARRIED**

**11/2020/13 Monthly Outstanding Rates Report****Resolved:**

The 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 outstanding rates report be received and noted.

**Moved:** Cllr Taylor

**Seconded:** Cllr Murray

**CARRIED**

**11/2020/14 Cash and Investment Report as at 31st August, 2020****Resolved:**

That the Investment report as at 31st August, 2020 be received and noted.

**Moved:** Cllr Keir

**Seconded:** Cllr Smith

**CARRIED**

*Clr Keir declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting room at 12.05pm.*

**11/2020/15 Monthly Maintenance Grading Report – September 2020**

**Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the monthly maintenance grading works report for September 2020.

**Moved:** Clr Smith  
**Seconded:** Clr Taylor  
**CARRIED**

*Clr Keir returned to the meeting room at 12.08pm.*

**11/2020/16 Rowena Flood Study and Flood Plain Risk Management Study and Plan**

**Resolved:**

1. That Council note and accept the Rowena Flood Study and Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan.
2. That Council authorise Director Engineering / Technical Services to conduct a community consultation.

**Moved:** Clr Smith  
**Seconded:** Clr Walford  
**CARRIED**

**11/2020/17 Variation in Tender Amount for Walgett Weir – September 2020**

**Resolved:**

That Council note and endorse the actions of the General Manager in authorising the variation of \$82,044.75 (Excl GST).

**Moved:** Clr Martinez  
**Seconded:** Clr Taylor  
**CARRIED**

**11/2020/18 Street Re-Naming Request – Hare Street Carinda**

**Resolved:**

Council conduct the appropriate public consultation regarding the renaming of Hare Street, Carinda to Patty Cake Street, Carinda in compliance with NSW Address Policy and User Manual October 2019 and report back to Council.

**Moved:** Clr Keir  
**Seconded:** Clr Murray  
**CARRIED**

*Mayor Martinez and Clr Turnbull declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting room at 12.12pm.*

**11/2020/16 Matters Generally For Brief Mention or Information Only****Resolved:**

That the Matters Generally for Brief mention or Information only from the Director engineering / Technical Services be received and noted.

**Moved:** Clr Murray  
**Seconded:** Clr Taylor  
**CARRIED**

*Clr Martinez returned to the meeting room at 12.13pm.*

**11/2020/17 Development Approvals - August 2020****Resolved:**

That Council note the information contained within the development approvals report for August 2020.

**Moved:** Clr Walford  
**Seconded:** Clr Taylor  
**CARRIED**

*Clr Turnbull reconnected to the meeting room at 12.16pm.*

**11/2020/18 Development Application 2020/12 – Subdivision – 18-20 Colin Street Carinda****Resolved:**

1. Approve the development consent conditions for DA2020/12, being a 2 lot subdivision on Lot 6 Section 40 DP 758227 being 18-20 Colin Street, Carinda, as per the recommendation of the Development Assessment report and the concurrence of NSW Planning, Industry & Environment Secretary, and

2. Delegation be given to the General Manager

(a) To approve DA2020/12 upon receipt of the concurrence of NSW Planning, Industry & Environment, and

(b) Ensure any development consent issued is as per the conditions within any received concurrence.

**Moved:** Clr Keir  
**Seconded:** Clr Murray  
**CARRIED**

**DIVISION DECISION**

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Clr Martinez	Nil	Nil
Clr Woodcock		
Clr Keir		
Clr Murray		
Clr Taylor		



Clr Walford  
 Clr Smith  
 Clr Cameron  
 Clr Turnbull

**11/2020/19 Development Application 2008-2-2 Modification – Australian Opal Centre – Three Mile Road, Lightning Ridge**

**Resolved:**

That Council approve the modification as proposed in DA2008-2-2, being the construction of the Australian Opal Centre on Lot 1 DP 1103508 being Three Mile Road, Lightning Ridge, as per the recommendation of the Development Assessment report.

**Moved:** Clr Martinez  
**Seconded:** Clr Walford  
**CARRIED**

**DIVISION DECISION**

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Clr Martinez	Nil	Nil
Clr Woodcock		
Clr Keir		
Clr Murray		
Clr Taylor		
Clr Walford		
Clr Smith		
Clr Cameron		
Clr Turnbull		

**11/2020/20 Development Application 2020/14 Storage Shed 46 Wee Waa Street Walgett**

**Resolved:**

That Council approve Development Application 2020/14, being for the demolition of skillion and toilet, and construction of storage shed on Lot 38 DP 610725 being 46 Wee Waa Street, Walgett, as per the recommendation of the Development Assessment report expect condition (7) seven.

**Moved:** Clr Keir  
**Seconded:** Clr Murray  
**CARRIED**

**DIVISION DECISION**

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Clr Martinez	Nil	Nil
Clr Woodcock		
Clr Keir		
Clr Murray		
Clr Taylor		
Clr Walford		
Clr Smith		
Clr Cameron		
Clr Turnbull		

### 11/2020/21 Development Application 2020/15 – Recycling Storage Shed, Toilet Block & Waste Transfer Station – 1 Rubbish Tip Road, Walgett

#### Resolved:

That Council Approve Development Application 2020/15, being for the construction of a recycling storage shed, toilet block and waste transfer station on Lot 102 DP 750291 being Walgett Landfill, 1 Rubbish Tip Road, Walgett, as per the recommendation of the Development Assessment report.

**Moved:** Clr Martinez

**Seconded:** Clr Turnbull

**CARRIED**

#### DIVISION DECISION

##### For

Clr Martinez  
Clr Woodcock  
Clr Keir  
Clr Murray  
Clr Taylor  
Clr Walford  
Clr Smith  
Clr Cameron  
Clr Turnbull

##### Against

Nil

##### Absent

Nil

### 11/2020/22 Supplementary Report - Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grant

#### Resolved:

That Council adopt the following projects for funding under the Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grant;

Street	Town	Location	Activities	Estimate (\$)
Agate	Lightning Ridge	Eastern side of Agate street between Kaoline and Morilla Street	Footpath and drainage works	\$97,000.00
Kaoline	Lightning Ridge	Southern side of Kaoline Street between Agate and Opal Street	Footpath and drainage works	\$145,000.00
Montekila	Walgett	Refuge island (south side of Montkeila Street between Fox and Peel Street	Footpath and steencilcrete works	\$84,000.00
Fox	Walgett	Eastern side of Fox Street between Wareena and Montkeila Street	Footpath and steencilcrete works	\$192,000.00
Fox	Walgett	Western side of Fox Street between Wareena and Montkeila Street	Footpath and steencilcrete works	\$192,000.00
Pearson Park	Walgett	Pearson Park	Toilet and shower facility with extension to sewer main	\$200,000.00
RR329	N/A	Various sections on Regional Rd 329 Merrywinebone Rd between Collarenebri and Kamilarou Highway at Burren Junction	Heavy patching	325,615.00
				<b>\$1,235,615.00</b>

**Moved:** Clr Walford

**Seconded:** Clr Martinez

**CARRIED**

**11/2020/23 Supplementary Report - MDBA – Collarenebri Showground Upgrade**

**Resolved:**

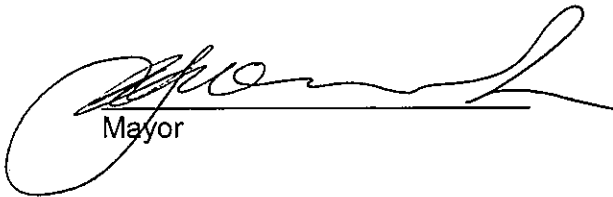
That Council adopt the attached plans and scope of works for the Collarenebri Showground upgrade.

**Moved:** Cllr Smith  
**Seconded:** Cllr Taylor  
**CARRIED**

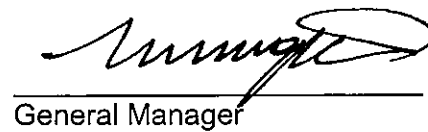
**Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 12.20pm

To be confirmed at the next meeting of Council.



Mayor



General Manager