



MINUTES FOR ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

23rd May 2017

ADOPTED: 29 JUNE 2017

Don Ramsland
GENERAL MANAGER

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT THE WALGETT COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 23rd MAY 2017 AT 10:25 AM

PRESENT

Clr Ian Woodcock (Mayor)
 Clr M Martinez (Deputy Mayor)
 Clr L Walford
 Clr G Murray
 Clr J Keir
 Clr K Smith
 Clr R Turnbull
 Don Ramsland (General Manager)
 Jess McDonald (Director Environmental Services)
 Sylvester Otieno (Director Engineering/Technical Services)
 Bronte Kerr (Minute Secretary)

Declaration of Pecuniary/Non Pecuniary Interests

Staff/Councillor	Item No.	Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary	Reason
Keir	11.4.2	Pec	Related to field of work/ business
	11.4.3	Pec	
	Sup Report	Pec	
Martinez	11.4.2	Pec	Related to field of work/ business
Turnbull	11.4.2	Pec Pec	Relationship to Clr Martinez
Smith	11.2.7	Pec	Wife employee of WSC – Agency

4/2017/1 Leave of Absence

Resolved:

That the leave of absence received from Clr Cameron and Clr Taylor are accepted and a leave of absence granted.

Moved: Clr Turnbull
Seconded: Clr Martinez
CARRIED

Public Forum

Rachael shearer discussed the following:

- Collarenebri Pony Club wishes to hold all event going forward at the Collarenebri race course.
- The club is currently in the process of developing an application to move buildings/stables to the race course.
- The relocation will benefit the community and allow the club to join forces with other committees.
- The club would like clarification on whether the buildings etc. will belong to the club or council once located on the race course.

4/2017/2 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting – 28 April 2017

Resolved:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held 14 February 2017, having been circulated be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Clr Turnbull
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

4/2017/3 Minutes of Plant Committee Meeting – 10th May 2017

Resolved:

That the minutes of the Plant Committee Meeting held 10th May 2017, having been circulated be received and noted and the recommendations contained therein are adopted as resolutions of Council.

Moved: Clr Smith
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

4/2017/4 Mayoral Report

Resolved:

That Council receive and note the mayoral report.

Moved: Clr Woodcock
Seconded: Clr Martinez
CARRIED

4/2017/5 Council's Decision Action Report

Resolved:

That the Resolution Register for May 2017 be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Smith
Seconded: Clr Turnbull
CARRIED

4/2017/6 Weekly's received from the Local Government NSW

Resolved:

That the information contained in the weekly circulars numbers 15-18 from the Local Government NSW be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Walford
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

4/2017/7 Circulars Received From the NSW Office of Local Government

Resolved:

That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars No 17-06 to 17-08 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

4/2017/8 Monthly Calendar May – July 2017

Resolved:

That Council receive and note the regular monthly calendar for the period May to July 2017.

Moved: Clr Smith
Seconded: Clr Turnbull
CARRIED

4/2017/9 Draft Code of Practice for the Walgett Shire CCTV System and Mobile Trailer

Resolved:

That the draft Code of Practice for the Walgett Shire CCTV System and Mobile Trailer, having been placed on Public Exhibition for 28 days during which no public submission were lodged, now be formally adopted by Walgett Shire Council.

Moved: Clr Walford
Seconded: Clr Turnbull
CARRIED

4/2017/10 Economic Development - Matters for Information Only

Resolved:

That the matters listed by the Economic Development Officer for information is received, noted and endorsed.

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Smith
CARRIED

4/2017/11 Matters for Brief Mention or Information Only

Resolved:

1. That the following matters listed for brief mention or information only by the General Manager be received and noted.
2. Council support the LRTA and lobby for all the lands purchased under the Voluntary Surrender Scheme VSS, the red ridges and the grey soil to be added to the Reserve Trust.

Moved: Cllr Walford
Seconded: Cllr Turnbull
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:20pm
The meeting resumed at 1:00pm

4/2017/12 Cash and Investment Report as at 30th April 2017

Resolved:

That the Investment report as at 30th April 2017 be received and noted.

Moved: Cllr Murray
Seconded: Cllr Martinez
CARRIED

4/2017/13 Monthly Outstanding Rates Report – April 2017

Resolved:

That the April 2017 Outstanding Rates Report be received and noted

Moved: Cllr Martinez
Seconded: Cllr Murray
CARRIED

4/2017/14 Revised Investment Policy

Resolved:

1. That the report be received
2. That Council adopts the revised Investment Policy as presented

Moved: Cllr Keir
Seconded: Cllr Walford
CARRIED

4/2017/15 Related Party Disclosure Policy

Resolved:

That Council adopt the Related Party Disclosure Policy and associated compliance documents.

Moved: Clr Murray
Seconded: Clr Martinez
CARRIED

4/2017/16 Third Quarter Operational Plan

Resolved:

That the content of the report be noted. Council accept the progress made on the 2016/2017 Operational Plan as at 31st March 2017.

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Smith
CARRIED

4/2017/17 Burren Junction Hall 355 Committee Applications

Resolved:

1. That the Chief Financial Officer report be received
2. That Council formally agree to the membership of Mr Mr. Philip Marshall, Mrs. Coral Marshall, Mrs. Elizabeth Powell, Mr. Philip Powell, Mrs. Lucinda Stump and Mr. Sandy Stump to the Burren Junction Hall 355 Committee.

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Murray
CARRIED

Clr Smith left the meeting room at 1:13pm

4/2017/18 Collarenebri Agency

Resolved:

1. That the report be received
2. That a Business Plan be completed for the Agency operations.
3. The Agency residence be made available for immediate lease.

Moved: Clr Murray
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

Clr Smith returned to the meeting room at 1:25pm

4/2017/19 Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2017-2021 – Adoption

Resolved:

1. That the report be received
2. That Council place the Walgett Shire Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) 2017-2021 on public exhibition for a period of 28 days commencing 23rd May 2017.

Moved: Clr Walford

Seconded: Clr Keir

CARRIED

4/2017/20 Community Development Report January – March 2017

Resolved:

That the report for Community Development January- March 2017 is received.

Moved: Clr Smith

Seconded: Clr Turnbull

CARRIED

4/2017/21 Matters Generally for Brief Mention or Information Only – From Chief Financial Officer

Resolved:

That the Matters Generally for Brief Mention or Information Only from the Chief Financial Officer.

Moved: Clr Smith

Seconded: Clr Turnbull

CARRIED

4/2017/22 Grants from the Walgett Shire Local Heritage Fund

Resolved:

Disperse \$18,000 from the Walgett Shire Council Local Heritage Fund 2016-2017 in the following manner:

- A) \$2,000 to Ivana Prasad to undertake conservation works on the Astronomers' Monument, Lightning Ridge
- B) \$4,000 to Glen Whitely to secure the site and building of the Old Bakery at Collarenebri
- C) \$4,000 to BEST Employment to repair the entrance roof & ceilings in the Old Post Office, Walgett
- D) \$2,000 to Anglican Parish of Coonamble to repair the roof & repaint interior of the St John the Evangelist Church at Carinda (Stage 2).
- E) \$3,000 to Anglican Parish of Walgett to install air-conditioning & upgrade the switchboard of St Peters Anglican Church, Walgett.
- F) \$3,000 to Anglican Parish of Lightning Ridge to repair fascias and install guttering at St Peters in the Pines Church at Cumborah

Upon completion of proposed works and receipt of paid invoices for same.

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

Clr Murray declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting room at 1:48pm

4/2017/23 Walgett CBD Mesh Façade Removal

Resolved:

That Walgett Shire Council resolve to amend the 22 November 2016 resolution: "Allocate the Walgett CBD Upgrade funds balance of \$80,335 to fully fund removal of heavy gauge wire screens and replace them with 'Crim-Safe' mesh, as required" to "Allocate the Walgett CBD Upgrade funds balance of \$80,335 to fully fund removal of heavy gauge wire screens and replace them with 'Crim-Safe' mesh or acrylic / polycarbonate glass, as required".

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Smith
CARRIED

Clr Murray returned to the meeting room at 1:51pm

4/2017/24 Development and Complying Development Certificate applications March – April 2017

Resolved:

Note the report on Development and Complying Development Certificate applications dealt with by Council staff under delegated authority for March 2017 – April 2017.

Moved: Clr Smith
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

4/2017/25 Matters Generally for Brief Mention or Information only from Director of Environmental Services

Resolved:

That Council receive and note the report by the Director of Environmental Services on matters for brief mention, or information only.

Moved: Clr Smith
Seconded: Clr Martinez
CARRIED

4/2017/26 Monthly RMCC works Report from Acting Director Engineering / Technical Services

Resolved:

That Council receive and note the monthly RMCC works report for April 2017.

Moved: Clr Smith
Seconded: Clr Murray
CARRIED

Clr Martinez, Clr Turnbull and Clr Keir left to the meeting room at 2:04pm

No Quorum Present

Item deferred - Monthly Progress report from Acting Director Engineering Technical Services

Item Deferred until 29 June 2017 Meeting. No Quorum Present

That Council receive and note the Engineering Services monthly works progress report for April 2017.

Clr Martinez and Clr Turnbull returned to the meeting room at 2:06pm

4/2017/27 Monthly Maintenance Grading Report from Director Technical / Engineering Services

Resolved:

That Council receive and note the monthly maintenance grading works report for April 2017.

Moved: Clr Walford
Seconded: Clr Smith
CARRIED

Clr Keir returned to the meeting room at 2:12pm

4/2017/28 Matters Generally For Brief Mention or Information Only – Engineering/Technical Services

Resolved:

That Council receives and notes this report.

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Murray
CARRIED

Clr Keir declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting room at 2:22pm

4/2017/29 Resolution to Authorise Acquisition by Compulsory Process – 23rd May 2017

Resolved:

1. That Council authorise acquisition of the road corridor through Lot 7303 DP1160968 by the compulsory acquisition process.
2. That Council make an application to the Minister/Governor to the Minister to approve the compulsory acquisition process and to allow the acquisition process to be expedited ahead of the coming 2017 'flood season'.

Moved: Clr Murray
Seconded: Clr Smith
CARRIED

Clr Keir returned to the meeting room at 2:24pm

QUESTIONS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Clr Murray- Nil

Clr Keir – Nil

Clr Walford – Nil

Clr Martinez – Nil

Clr Smith

Q1: Will the Club house at the Golf course in Collarenebri be replaced under insurance?

Q2: Could we have raw water tower at Lions Park cleaned out? Full of shells, cannot fill fire trucks up at sandpipe.

Clr Turnbull

Q1: Have Council approached the property owners about the realignment of the Ridge Road?

Q2: When is the corner on the Burransbaa Road going to be fixed?

Q3: Can the side track be looked at next to the big Warrambool Bridge on the Angledool – Collarenebri Road as wide loads are having trouble getting past the trees?

4/2017/30 Move into Closed Session at 2:28pm

Resolved:

That the public be excluded from the meeting pursuant to Sections 10A (2)(c) & (d) of the Local Government Act 1993 on the basis that the items deal with:

- (a) that information that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting business (or proposed to conduct business)
- (b) that the matter and information is commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Moved: Clr Keir
Seconded: Clr Smith
CARRIED

4/2017/31 Local Government Reform – Western Division Group of Council – Strategic Proposal

Resolved:

That Walgett Shire Council support the approach outlined in the Western Division Group of Councils Strategic concept paper and make a four year commitment to the concept and commit to paying a \$9,000 (ex GST) p.a membership fee.

Moved: Clr Martinez
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

4/2017/32 Purchase Property from Colless: 20 Pitt Street Walgett

Resolved:

1. That the Chief Financial Officers report be received
2. That Council endorse the actions of the General Manager in making an offer on the property
3. Council agrees to the purchase of 20 Pitt Street Walgett for the sum of \$35,000
4. The General Manger be authorised to execute the necessary documents to finalise the purchase under Council seal.

Moved: Clr Turnbull
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

4/2017/33 Lease to Roads and Maritime Services Walgett Motor Registry

Resolved:

1. That the Chief Financial Officers report be received
2. That Council renew the lease of the Walgett Motor Registry with the Roads and Maritime Services for a further three (3) years with a commencing rental of \$30,000 per annum subject to an annual CPI adjustment.
3. That the Council seal be affixed to the lease agreement and the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the lease agreement

Moved: Clr Murray
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

4/2017/34 Lightning Ridge Bore Baths

Resolved:

1. That Council receive the Chief Financial Officers Report
2. That Council make provision of \$100,000 in the 2017/2018 budget for renewal of the Lightning Ridge Bore Bath between November 17 and April 18.
3. The recommendations of the structural assessment be implemented
4. The General Manager arrange for a design and costing of the bore bath renewal and submit this to Council for consideration.

Moved: Clr Martinez

Seconded: Clr Walford

CARRIED

2/2017/38 Return to Open Session at 2:42pm

Resolved:

That Council return to open session.

Moved: Clr Murray

Seconded: Clr Smith

CARRIED

2/2017/39 Adoption of Closed Session Reports

Resolved:

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Closed Committee Reports.

- Local Government Reform – Western Division Group of Council – Strategic Proposal
- Purchase Property from Colless: 20 Pitt Street Walgett
- Lease to Roads and Maritime Services Walgett Motor Registry
- Lightning Ridge Bore Baths

Moved: Clr Keir

Seconded: Clr Turnbull

CARRIED

Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 2:43pm

To be confirmed at the meeting of Council to be held on 29 June 2017.

Mayor

General Manager