



MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 30 November 2021

Michael Urquhart
GENERAL MANAGER

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT
THE WALGETT SHIRE CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 11:30AM**

OPEN FORUM**Public Presentations:**

Nil

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 11:30AM

PRESENT

Clr Ian Woodcock (Mayor)
 Clr Manuel Martinez (Deputy Mayor)
 Clr Bill Murray
 Clr Michael Taylor
 Clr Kelly Smith
 Clr Lawrence Walford
 Clr Robert Turnbull
 Clr Jane Keir
 Michael Urquhart (General Manager)
 Tony Hughes (Chief Financial Officer)
 Kobus Nieuwoudt (Director Environmental Services)
 Bob Stephen (Acting Director Engineering/Technical Services)
 Bronte Kerr (Minute Secretary)

ABSENT

Nil

Declaration of Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor	Item No.	Report title/ Subject matter	Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary	Reason
Clr Keir	10.3.1	Monthly Maintenance Grading Report	Pecuniary	Family Business interest

11/2021/1 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting – 26 October 2021**Resolved:**

That the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting held 26 October 2021, 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 Walford
CARRIED

11/2021/2 Mayoral Report**Resolved:**

That the Mayor report for October/November 2021 be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Woodcock
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

11/2021/3 Country Education Foundation of Walgett – Contribution**Resolved:**

Council in accordance with Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993 allocate \$10,000 to Walgett Country Education Foundation for 2022 Scholarship Program and the proposal be placed on public display calling for submissions.

Moved: Clr Walford

Seconded: Clr Smith

CARRIED

Clr Martinez requested his name be recorded against the motion.

11/2021/4 Council's Decision Action Report**Resolved:**

That the Resolution Register as at November 2021 be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Keir

Seconded: Clr Smith

CARRIED

11/2021/5 Circulars Received From the NSW Office of Local Government**Resolved:**

That the information contained in the following Departmental circular 21-33 to 21-35 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Keir

Seconded: Clr Walford

CARRIED

11/2021/6 Important Dates For Councillors - Upcoming Meetings & Events**Resolved:**

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

Moved: Clr Murray

Seconded: Clr Taylor

CARRIED

11/2021/9 Community Assistance Scheme – 2021/2022 Applications
Resolved:

That the following eligible applicants be granted financial assistance under Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993 for the 2021/22 Community Assistance Scheme.

Lightning Ridge Pony Club	\$3,000
Lightning Ridge Touch Football Incorporated	\$1,200
Walgett Amateur Swim Club	\$3,000
Walgett Show Society Inc	\$3,000
Grawin Glengarry Sheeppyard Opal Fields Mens Shed	\$3,000
Carinda Diggers Hall Committee	\$3,000
Burren Junction Hall Committee	\$2,924
Burren Junction CWA	\$3,000
	<i>Total</i>
	\$22,124

Moved: Cllr Turnbull

Seconded: Cllr Martinez

CARRIED

11/2021/8 Policy Review – Motor Vehicle Policy and Procedures
Resolved:

That the revised Motor Vehicle Policy and Procedure document as tabled be adopted.

Moved: Cllr Martinez

Seconded: Cllr Taylor

CARRIED

11/2021/9 First Quarter Operational Plan 2021/2022
Resolved:

1. That the General Managers report be received.
2. That Council accept the progress made on the 2021/2022 Operational Plan as at 30th September 2021.

Moved: Cllr Murray

Seconded: Cllr Walford

CARRIED

11/2021/10 Annual Report 2020/2021
Resolved:

Council formally adopts its Annual Report for 2020/2021.

Moved: Cllr Keir

Seconded: Cllr Taylor

CARRIED

11/2021/11 End of Term report 2016 to 2021**Resolved:**

Council accept the progress made during the term 2016 to 2021.

Moved: Clr Taylor
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

11/2021/12 Monthly Outstanding Rates Report**Resolved:**

That the 31 October 2021 outstanding rates report be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Murray
Seconded: Clr Turnbull
CARRIED

11/2021/13 Cash and Investment Report as at 31 October 2021**Resolved:**

That the Investment report be received and noted.

Moved: Clr Taylor
Seconded: Clr Smith
CARRIED

11/2021/14 2020-2021 Audited Financial Statements and Audit Report**Resolved:**

That Council receive the Audited Financial Reports together with the Auditor's Reports for the period 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021.

Moved: Clr Murray
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

11/2021/15 Credit Card Policy**Resolved:**

That Council adopt the revised Credit Card Policy and Procedures as presented.

Moved: Clr Martinez
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

11/2021/16 Quarterly Budget Review Statement 2020/2021**Resolved:**

That Council adopt the attached Quarterly Budget Review Statement for 30th September 2021 as tabled.

Moved: Clr Martinez
Seconded: Clr Walford
CARRIED

Clr Keir declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting room at 12:08pm.

11/2021/17 Monthly Maintenance Grading Report – October 2021**Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the monthly maintenance grading works report for October 2021.

Moved: Clr Murray
Seconded: Clr Taylor
CARRIED

Clr Keir returned to the meeting room at 12.11pm.

11/2021/18 Monthly Progress Report October 2021**Resolved:**

That Council receive and note the Engineering Services monthly works progress report for October 2021.

Moved: Clr Walford
Seconded: Clr Murray
CARRIED

11/2021/19 Variation in Tender Amount for Walgett Weir – November 2021**Resolved:**

That Council note and endorse the actions of the General Manager to authorise the variation of \$ 78,315.48 (Excl GST).

Moved: Clr Walford
Seconded: Clr Murray
CARRIED

11/2021/20 Development Approvals October 2021**Resolved:**

That Council note the information contained within this report.

Moved: Clr Smith
Seconded: Clr Turnbull
CARRIED

Clr Woodcock declared a non-pecuniary interest.

11/2021/21 Development Application 2021/67**Resolved:**

That Council approves DA2021/67 for the Change of Use Application from Mechanical Workshop to Mini Golf Course at Lot 20 and Lot 21 DP 263351 (14-16 Windlass Avenue, Lightning Ridge), in accordance with the conditions outlined in the Development Assessment & Recommended Conditions Report that formed the subject of Attachment Six in the Agenda Report.

Moved: Clr Turnbull
Seconded: Clr Smith

Division Decision**For**

Clr Ian Woodcock
 Clr Manuel Martinez
 Clr Bill Murray
 Clr Michael Taylor
 Clr Kelly Smith
 Clr Lawrence Walford
 Clr Robert Turnbull
 Clr Jane Keir

Against
 Nil

Absent
 Nil

11/2021/22 Move into Closed Session

Time: 12:16am

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

- (a) Personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors)
- (c) 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)
- (d) 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 Taylor
Seconded: Clr Keir
CARRIED

11/2021/23 Lease to Commonwealth of Australia (Bureau Of Meteorology) Lightning Ridge Airport
Resolved:

1. That the General Managers report be received.
2. That Council enter into a lease with the Commonwealth of Australia (Bureau of Meteorology) for lease of part Lot 162 DP 862540 being 8m x 4m in size for a period of Five (5) years, with an option of a further 5 X 5 term options.
3. The Council Seal be affixed to the lease agreement and the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the Lease documents.

Moved: Clr Walford

Seconded: Clr Taylor

CARRIED

11/2021/24 ICAC Response to Referred Complaint
Resolved:

That:

1. Council receive the General Managers report.
2. The General Manager advise the complainant Mr. Thomas of the ICAC determination.
3. The General Manager report the outcome of the matter to ICAC.

Moved: Clr Keir

Seconded: Clr Martinez

CARRIED

11/2021/25 Pricing Variation to Construction of Lightning Ridge Multi-Purpose Centre
Resolved:

That Council note and endorse the actions of the General Manager in authorising the variations totalling \$156,218.04 (Excl GST).

Moved: Clr Martinez

Seconded: Clr Keir

CARRIED

11/2021/26 Return to open session

Time: 12:24pm

Resolved:

That Council return to open session.

Moved: Clr Walford

Seconded: Clr Taylor

CARRIED

10/2021/27 Adoption of closed session reports

Resolved:

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Closed Committee Reports.

Moved: Clr Martinez

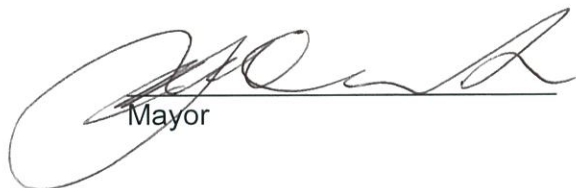
Seconded: Clr Turnbull

CARRIED

Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 12:27pm

To be confirmed at the next meeting of Council.



Mayor



General Manager