

## September 2020 Council Meeting Snippets

Council conducted its Mayoral and Deputy Mayor election. The Returning Officer received three (3) nominations for Mayor, with Councillor Ian Woodcock being elected. Three nominations were also received for the Deputy Mayor position. With Councillor Manuel Martinez elected.

Local Area Traffic Committee Meeting minutes were adopted by Council and the matters tabled included:

- o A 40km speed zone for the Walgett CBD
- o Beautification of Walgett CBD with bollards
- o Kerb extension in Montkeila Street to join Apex Park
- o Extension of school bus route Woodlands Road
- o Refuse Island on Waterloo Street Burren junction
- o Line marking in Walgett
- o B Double application Bugilbone Road

Council adopted a revised Model Code of Conduct that was recently issued by the Office of Local Government

The Burren Junction CWA will receive a grant under the Community Assistance Program of \$2,000 to assist with community luncheon and a Christmas carol evening.

The Mayor and General Manager will attend a different Local Government NSW Annual Conference on the 23rd November 2020 that is being held this year on-line due to Covid-19.

Council accepted the Rowena Flood Study Plan and will now conduct a community consultation phase for comment on the plan.

Community consultation will also be sought for a change of name for Hare Street Carinda to Patty Cake Street.

Engineering works schedule includes:

- o New plants for Walgett CBD
- o Turfing along path at Bore Bath Apex Park
- o Solar Lights and installation of CCTV scheduled for Apex Park
- o New play equipment has been ordered for Grey park Walgett
- o The Walgett desalination plant has been switched off temporarily because of a decreased capacity at the sewer treatment ponds to take the waste water produced by the plant. Investigations are underway for an alternative storage or use of the waste water.
- o Walgett Cemetery turf roll out commencing September/October
- o Walgett Weir and fish way under construction with completion planned prior to Christmas
- o Investigation continues into another bore for Walgett water security program
- o Carinda road rehabilitation continues
- o Gundabloui Road reconstruction continues
- o Collarenbri works include:
  - § BBQ for Lions Park
  - § Solar lights for Lions, Earl and Denyer parks
  - § Desilting of effluent ponds completed
  - § Desilting back wash pond continues
- o Cumborah works include delivery of two (2) tanks for water supply, repair of grids, installation of pump on bore
- o Burren Junction, design of new kerb for Waterloo Street and road widening of Bugilbone Road on the Pilliga end
- o Lightning Ridge works:

§ Construction of box culvert on 3 Mile Road in progress

§ Shoulder widening on Fred Reece Way underway

§ Heavy patching in Harlequin Street completed

o First section of Miners Road upgrade is complete with further works in progress along the section from the first grid to the Grawin store.

Council approved the following Development Applications:

o Subdivision 18-20 Colin Street Carinda

o Modification to the DA Australian Opal Centre

o Storage shed 46 Wee Waa Street Walgett

o Recycling storage shed, toilet block and waste transfer station at 1 Rubbish Tip Road Walgett  
Council adopted concept plans for the upgrade of the Collarenebri Showground, Grandstand, kitchen/supper room and Jockey room.

The General Manager presented a list of projects for adoption under the “Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Grant” and these include footpath and drainage works in Fox and Montkeila Streets Walgett, Kaoline and Agate Streets Lightning Ridge along with heavy patching of various sections of Merrywinebone Road RR329

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