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# Minutes ordinary council meeting

# COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GUNDAGAI

# 6:00PM, TUESDAY 25th September, 2018

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# MINUTES OF COOTAMUNDRA-GUNDAGAI REGIONAL COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GUNDAGAI ON TUESDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 6:00PM

- **PRESENT:**Cr Abb McAlister (Mayor), Cr Dennis Palmer (Deputy Mayor), Cr David Graham,<br/>Cr Gil Kelly, Cr Penny Nicholson, Cr Doug Phillips, Cr Charlie Sheahan
- **IN ATTENDANCE:** Allen Dwyer (General Manager), Phil McMurray (Deputy General Manager), Tim Swan (Manager Finance)

# 1 OPEN FORUM

List of Speakers

- 1. Sarah Last Muttama Memorial Hall
- 2. Mason Crane Gundagai historic bridges

# 2 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.

# 3 APOLOGIES

Note: Apologies were received on behalf of Crs Leigh Bowden and Craig Stewart

# RESOLUTION 186/2018

Moved: Cr Dennis Palmer Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

# That the apology received from Cr Leigh Bowden and Cr Craig Stewart be accepted and leave of absence granted.

# CARRIED

# 3 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Cr David Graham disclosed a pecuniary interest in discussion point 2 (Gundagai Pre-School) of item 8.1.6 Councillor Workshop – 28 August 2018 – Report for the reason that he owns the subject property.

# 4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

# 5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 28 AUGUST 2018

#### RESOLUTION 187/2018

Moved: Cr Doug Phillips Seconded: Cr David Graham

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 28 August 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the Meeting.

CARRIED

#### 5 MAYORAL MINUTES

# 6.1 MAYORAL MINUTE

#### RESOLUTION 188/2018

Moved: Cr Dennis Palmer Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

#### The information in the Mayoral Minute be received and noted.

CARRIED

# 6.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - LIBRARY FUNDING ENDORSEMENT

#### RESOLUTION 189/2018

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Charlie Sheahan

- 1. Council endorse the NSW Public Libraries Association and Local Government NSW library funding advocacy initiative, *Renew Our Libraries*.
- 2. Council note the announcement by the NSW Government on 24 August 2018 of its intention to provide a \$60m funding package for NSW public libraries for the quadrennial period 2019-20 to 2022-23.
- 3. Council support the ongoing *Renew Our Libraries* initiative to secure the pledged funding, clarify the funding components and liaise with the government regarding the funding model.
- 4. Council support *Renew Our Libraries* to work with the Government to develop a sustainable future funding model with a view guaranteeing an appropriate level of ongoing and indexed state funding.

- 5. Council make representation to the local State Member Stephanie Cook, in relation to the need for ongoing additional funding from the NSW State Government for the provision of public library services.
- 6. Council write to the Hon. Don Harwin, Minister for the Arts and the Hon. Walt Secord, Shadow Minister for the Arts, calling for bi-partisan support for the provision of ongoing and indexed increases in state funding for NSW public libraries, supported by a sustainable future funding model.
- 7. Council take a leading role in activating the campaign locally.
- 8. Council endorse the distribution of the NSW Public Libraries Association and Local Government NSW library funding advocacy initiative information in Council libraries, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative.
- 9. Council formally advise the NSW Public Libraries Association and Local Government NSW that Council has endorsed the library funding advocacy initiative.

# 6 **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

Nil

- 7 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
- 7.1 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE

# 8.1.1 REFERRAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR AUDIT

Note: A Workshop is to be held, in Cootamundra at 4:00pm , on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 to discuss the financial statements prior to the November, 2018 audit.

# RESOLUTION 190/2018

Moved: Cr Charlie Sheahan Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

- 1. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager and Responsible Accounting Officer to sign the Statements by Councillors and Management for the 2018 General Purpose Financial Statements and 2018 Special Purpose Financial Statements for the Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council.
- 2. The 2018 Financial Statements be returned for audit.
- **3.** The General Manager be authorised to issue the 2018 Financial Statements upon receipt of the auditor's report.

CARRIED

#### 8.1.2 INVESTMENT REPORT - AUGUST 2018

#### RESOLUTION 191/2018

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Dennis Palmer

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Investment Report as at 31 August 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED

#### 8.1.3 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT FOR AUGUST 2018

#### RESOLUTION 192/2018

Moved: Cr Doug Phillips Seconded: Cr David Graham

The Financial report for August, 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED

#### 8.1.4 DRAFT WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

#### **RESOLUTION 193/2018**

Moved: Cr Dennis Palmer Seconded: Cr Charlie Sheahan

Council's draft 2018/2021 Workforce Management Plan as placed on public exhibition, be adopted.

CARRIED

#### 8.1.5 AUDIT COMMITTEE

#### **RESOLUTION 194/2018**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Dennis Palmer

- 1. The opportunity to join the Audit Committee with the Coolamon, Junee, Lockhart and Temora Councils, and administered by Coolamon Shire Council, be accepted.
- 2. Blackadder Associates be appointed to manage Council's Internal Audit function.

- **3.** The Audit Plan detailed in the report provided by Blackadder Associates dated 10 September, 2018 attached to the report be adopted, including undertaking items 1-4.
- 4. The actions set out in the Cootamundra-Gundagai Audit report provided by Blackadder Associates attached to the report be undertaken.

# 8.1.6 COUNCILLOR WORKSHOP - 28 AUGUST 2018 - REPORT

Note: Having disclosed a pecuniary interest in discussion point 2 (Gundagai Pre-School) of this item, Cr David Graham left the meeting at 7:01pm during discussion on that matter. Cr Graham returned to the meeting at 7:02pm.

#### **RESOLUTION 195/2018**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

# The report on the Councillor Workshop held 28 August, 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED

# 8.1.7 COUNCILLOR WORKSHOP - 11 SEPTEMBER 2018 - REPORT

# **RESOLUTION 196/2018**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Dennis Palmer

The report on the Councillor Workshop held on 11 September, 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED

# 8.1.8 COUNCIL MEETING ACTION REPORT

#### RESOLUTION 197/2018

Moved: Cr Doug Phillips Seconded: Cr Dennis Palmer

The updated Council Meeting Action Report attached to the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

# 8.1.9 GUNDAGAI HISTORIC BRIDGES INC. - REQUEST FOR DONATION

#### **RESOLUTION 198/2018**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

Council donate the sum of \$1,361.88 for the levied amount of rates, and water and sewer access charges for the 2018/19 financial year, to the Gundagai Historic Bridges Incorporation.

CARRIED

# 7.2 DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE

#### 8.2.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED AUGUST 2018

#### RESOLUTION 199/2018

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly Seconded: Cr Dennis Palmer

The information on Development Applications Approved in August 2018 be noted.

CARRIED

#### 8.2.2 EASTERN RIVERINA ARTS, SHIFT – REPORT (LATE REPORT)

#### **RESOLUTION 200/2018**

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly Seconded: Cr Charlie Sheahan

The report on Shift, hosted by Eastern Riverina Arts, be received and noted

CARRIED

# 7.3 OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE

# 8.3.1 SEPTEMBER OPERATIONS REPORT

#### **RESOLUTION 201/2018**

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Charlie Sheahan

# The Operations Update Report and Works Program for the month of September, 2018 attached to the report be received and noted.

#### 7.4 ASSET MANAGEMENT DIRECTORATE

#### 8.4.1 DRAFT ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS

# RESOLUTION 202/2018

Moved: Cr David Graham Seconded: Cr Doug Phillips

Council's draft Asset Management Plans for Transport, Water, Sewer, Stormwater, Buildings, Parks, and Waste Assets, as placed on public exhibition, be adopted.

CARRIED

#### 8.4.2 INLAND RAIL PRESENTATION FOR COUNCIL

#### **RESOLUTION 203/2018**

Moved: Cr Charlie Sheahan Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

The Community Drop-In Sessions being co-ordinated by ARTC Inland Rail be noted.

CARRIED

#### 8.4.3 GUNDAGAI SEWER TREATMENT PLANT REPLACEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

#### **RESOLUTION 204/2018**

Moved: Cr Dennis Palmer Seconded: Cr Charlie Sheahan

The progress report on the Gundagai Sewer Treatment Plant Replacement be received and noted.

CARRIED

Note: Cr David Graham left the meeting at 7:24pm

#### 8.4.4 LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MINUTES

#### **RESOLUTION 205/2018**

Moved: Cr Charlie Sheahan Seconded: Cr Dennis Palmer

- 1. That Council approves the closure of Bourke Street Cootamundra between Parker and Cooper Streets from the hours of 7.30am and 1.30pm on Saturday 8th September in support of the Rotary Cycling event and market stalls subject to the event organizer complying with all conditions set by Council and to include an upgraded Traffic Control Plan depicting the appropriate signage in accordance with Traffic Control at Worksites manual, version 5.0.
- 2. That That Council endorse reinstating of the 2 hour timed parking provisions and disabled parking bays and bus zone in Sheridan Street between Otway and Homer Street as detailed in the design plans.
- 3. That Council endorse that further investigation be undertaken to determine if a change to the road priority to a one-way access between Wallendoon and Mackay Streets via.
  - (i) A public consultation with affected residents in the precinct of Sutton and Hovell Street's Cootamundra,
  - (ii) Traffic study of vehicle movements within the un-named lane between Wallendoon and Mackay Streets, and a
  - (iii) Report outlining the findings is tabled at the next Local Traffic Committee meeting.
- 4. That Council note the speed trend study undertaken of Landon Street failed to identify speeding as an issue and the data collected be provided to the local NSW Highway Patrol Police for their information.

# 8 MOTION OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

# 9.1 NOTICE OF MOTION OF RESCISSION - CGRC SWIMMING POOLS FEES AND CHARGES

# RESOLUTION 206/2018

Moved: Cr Charlie Sheahan Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

Minute No. 185/2018 of the Council Meeting held on 28 August 2018 in relation to Item No. 8.3.2 CGRC Swimming Pools Report be and is hereby rescinded.

CARRIED

# **RESOLUTION 207/2018**

Moved: Cr Doug Phillips Seconded: Cr Dennis Palmer

1. Council adopt the following Fees and Charges for the Gundagai and Cootamundra Pools for the 2018/2019 swimming season.

Gundagai Fees and Charges

Single Visit	
Adult	\$5.50
Child/Concession (incl. NSW Pension & Seniors Card)	\$3.50
School Groups	\$2.00
Non-Swimming Observer	Free
Family Day Pass	\$15.00
Season Pass – 14 Oct 2018 to 10 Mar 2019	
Adult	\$115.00
Child/Concession (incl. NSW Pension & Seniors Card)	\$95.00
Family	\$235.00
10 Visit Pass	
Adult	\$52.00
Child/Concession (incl. NSW Pension & Seniors Card)	\$32.00

Cootamundra Fees and Charges

Single Visit	
Adult	\$3.50
Child/Concession (incl. NSW Pension & Seniors Card)	\$2.50
Non-Swimming Observer	Free
12 Month Pass	
Family	\$700.00
Adult	\$250.00
Child/Concession (incl. NSW Pension & Seniors Card)	\$200.00
4 Month Pass	
Family	\$250.00

Adult	\$125.00
Child/Concession (incl. NSW Pension & Seniors Card)	\$100.00
10 Visit Pass	
Adult	\$32.00
Child/Concession (incl. NSW Pension & Seniors Card)	\$22.00

2. The Cootamundra Indoor Swimming Pool Operations Plan, the Cootamundra Swimming Pool Operations Plan and the Gundagai Outdoor Swimming Pool Operations Plan, attached to the report, be adopted for the 2018/2019 swimming season.

CARRIED

# 9.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - DISPARITY OF SEWER CONNECTION FEES BETWEEN COOTAMUNDRA AND GUNDAGAI

# RESOLUTION 208/2018

Moved: Cr Abb McAlister Seconded: Cr Doug Phillips

The discussions at the meeting regarding the disparity of the fees and charges in relation to sewer connection in Cootamundra and Gundagai be noted.

CARRIED

# 9.3 NOTICE OF MOTION - REQUEST THAT COOTAMUNDRA TOURISM ACTION GROUP BECOME A \$355 COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL (LATE REPORT)

# RESOLUTION 209/2018

Moved: Cr Charlie Sheahan Seconded: Cr Gil Kelly

Cootamundra Tourism Action Group be granted the status of a Section 355 Committee of Council.

CARRIED

# 9 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

# 10 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

The Meeting closed at 7:30pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 30 October 2018.

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**CHAIRPERSON** 

**GENERAL MANAGER**