



MINUTES of

EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Held on 16 May 2023 at 5pm

Attendance at Meeting:

Councillors: Mayor R Bell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor R Crouch
Cr T Bower
Cr S Burrows
Cr L Doran
Cr McMullen
Cr T Toomey

Apologies: Cr T O'Connor
Cr L Petrov

Staff: Mrs K Jessep, General Manager
Ms T Averay, Executive Director Infrastructure & Development
Mrs C Valencius, Executive Director Corporate & Community
Ms L Chalmers, Executive Support Officer (Minute Clerk)
Mr S Williams, Manager Governance
Mr M Ahammed, Manager Finance & IT
Mr C Fitzsummons, Executive Manager Civil Infrastructure

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CONFIRMED

1 OPENING & WELCOME

The Chair declared the meeting opened at 5:03.

2 PRAYER

The Chair recited the Uralla Shire Council prayer.

3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chair read the acknowledgement of country.

4 WEBCAST INFORMATION

The Chair advised the meeting was recorded, with the recording to be made available on Council's website following the meeting and reminded attendees to refrain from making defamatory statements.

5 APOLOGIES & APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Cr Petrov on leave – Resolution 01.04/23

Cr O'Connor on leave – Resolution 01.04/23

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 01.05/23

Moved: Cr Sarah Burrows

Seconded: Cr Tara Toomey

That the apology from Crs Petrov and O'Connor be noted.

For: Crs Robert Bell, Robert Crouch, Tim Bower, Sarah Burrows, Leanne Doran, Bruce McMullen and Tara Toomey

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs Tom O'Connor and Lone Petrov

CARRIED 7/0

MOTION

RESOLUTION 02.05/23

Moved: Cr Tara Toomey

Seconded: Cr Tim Bower

That the leave of absence be received for Cr Bower and be accepted for the next ordinary meeting 23 May 2023.

For: Crs Robert Bell, Robert Crouch, Tim Bower, Sarah Burrows, Leanne Doran, Bruce McMullen and Tara Toomey

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs Tom O'Connor and Lone Petrov

CARRIED 7/0

6 DISCLOSURE & DECLARATION OF INTEREST/S

Cr Leanne Doran declared significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to item 9.1, due to being a member of Rotary and part of the organising committee for Thunderbolt festival.

Mayor Robert Bell declared significant non-pecuniary interest in relation to item 9.1, due to being a member of Rotary.

7 PURPOSE OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

To consider the Draft Operational Plan 2023-2024.

8 LATE REPORTS/SUPPLEMENTARY/URGENT ITEMS (INCLUDING PETITIONS)

The Chair advised there were no late, urgent and supplementary items or reports of business.

9 REPORTS TO COUNCIL

9.1 DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023-2024

The Chair called for general questions and proposed amendments to the Draft Operational Plan 2023-2024.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

RESOLUTION 03.05/23

Moved: Cr Leanne Doran

Seconded: Cr Tara Toomey

The Mayor called for a dinner break at 6:32pm.

For: Crs Robert Bell, Robert Crouch, Tim Bower, Sarah Burrows, Leanne Doran, Bruce McMullen and Tara Toomey

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs Tom O'Connor and Lone Petrov

CARRIED 7/0

The Chair resumed the meeting at 7:10pm

Cr Doran and Mayor Bell left the chamber at 7:39pm due to conflict of interest regarding discussions around Thunderbolt festival grants. Cr Doran and Mayor Bell are members of Rotary who are the organising entity.

Deputy Mayor, Cr Crouch assumed the Chair.

Cr Doran and Mayor Bell returned to the chamber at 7:44pm.

Mayor Bell resumed the Chair at 7:44pm.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

RESOLUTION 04.05/23

Moved: Cr Leanne Doran

Seconded: Cr Sarah Burrows

That Council extend the meeting a further 30 minutes to conclude at 9:30pm.

For: Crs Robert Bell, Robert Crouch, Tim Bower, Sarah Burrows, Leanne Doran, Bruce McMullen and Tara Toomey

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs Tom O'Connor and Lone Petrov

CARRIED 7/0

MOTION

RESOLUTION 05.05/23

Moved: Cr Bruce McMullen

Seconded: Cr Tim Bower

That the Draft Operational Plan 2023-2024 including the draft actions, draft budget, draft statement of revenue policy and draft fees and charges be amended as follows:

- Add to uncontaminated garden waste vouchers for residents page uncontaminated garden and wood waste sedan, wagon: "or small trailer".
- Add to fees and charges waste management facility additional notes re: free vouchers for USC rate payers only, four (4) free per year and add a note that if there is a storm event Council will determine additional free charge waste disposal for a period of time.
- Amendments to the Asset Management, Development & Planning, Environmental Management, Waste Management and Water Cycle action plans as detailed in the Table of Amendments.
- Amend the cash flow forecast and commentary using the figures as tabled as at 16 May 2023.
- Amend legislative references and minor typographical errors as identified.
- Amend measures of success for actions required by legislation.
- Amend FTE cost sharing notes.
- Delete action 3.1.10.1
- Amend 4.2.2.2 performance measure to: draft budget 2024 – 2025 presented to Council by March 2024.

- Update community consultation avenues to specifically refer to Invergowrie general store, Bundarra general store and Kentucky general store.
- 3.1.5.4 check the success measure date
- Page 17 update paragraph regarding the delivery program.

and further consider the updated draft at an extraordinary meeting on 30 May 2023.

For: Crs Robert Bell, Robert Crouch, Tim Bower, Sarah Burrows, Leanne Doran, Bruce McMullen and Tara Toomey

Against: Nil

Absent: Crs Tom O'Connor and Lone Petrov

CARRIED 7/0

10 COMMUNICATION OF COUNCIL DECISIONS

11 CONCLUSION OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 9:30PM.

Council Minutes confirmed by: **Mayor Robert Bell on 23 May 2023**. Resolution number: **08.05/23**