

# Minutes

## ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GUNDAGAI**

**6:00PM, TUESDAY 23rd January, 2024**

**Administration Centres: 1300 459 689**

**MINUTES OF COOTAMUNDRA-GUNDAGAI REGIONAL COUNCIL  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GUNDAGAI  
ON TUESDAY, 23 JANUARY 2024 AT 6:00PM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Charlie Sheahan (Mayor), Cr Gil Kelly (Deputy Mayor), Cr Leigh Bowden, Cr Les Boyd, Cr Logan Collins, Cr Trevor Glover, Cr David Graham, Cr Abb McAlister, Cr Penny Nicholson

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Steve McGrath (Interim General Manager), Paul Woods (Interim Deputy General Manager - CCD), Matt Stubbs (Deputy General Manager - Operations), Linda Wiles (Manager Business), Zac Mahon (Manager Finance), Michael Mason (Interim Manager Sustainable Development), Mark Ellis (Manager Engineering Cootamundra), Thomas Hogg (Acting Manager Engineering Gundagai), Wayne Bennett (Manager Regional Services Cootamundra)

**1 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.

**2 OPEN FORUM**

Nil

**3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**3.1 APOLOGIES**

Nil

**3.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**4 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Nil

**5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**5.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER 2023**

**RESOLUTION 001/2024**

Moved: Cr Leigh Bowden

Seconded: Cr Trevor Glover

1. **The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 12 December 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.**
2. **The Confidential Minutes of the Closed Session of Council held on Tuesday 12 December 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

## **6 MAYORAL MINUTES**

### **6.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - COUNCILLOR ENGAGEMENT**

#### **RESOLUTION 002/2024**

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly

Seconded: Cr David Graham

**The information in the Councillor Engagements Mayoral Minute be received and noted.**

**CARRIED**

## **7 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

Nil

## **8 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

### **8.1 GENERAL MANAGER OFFICE**

#### **8.1.1 CHRISTMAS IN COOTAMUNDRA**

#### **RESOLUTION 003/2024**

Moved: Cr Leigh Bowden

Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

**The Christmas in Coota overview provided by Coota Co-op be noted.**

**CARRIED**

#### **8.1.2 AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (ALGA) NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2024**

#### **RESOLUTION 004/2024**

Moved: Cr Gil Kelly

Seconded: Cr Leigh Bowden

1. The 2024 Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly discussion paper, attached to the report, be received and noted.
2. Motions be considered at the next Councillor Workshop scheduled for 13 February 2024.
3. A further report be submitted to the next Ordinary Council Meeting to provide further information on the National General Assembly, and to determine potential Motions for submission to ALGA.

**CARRIED**

### **8.1.3 RIVERINA EASTERN REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (REROC) MEETING MINUTES**

#### **RESOLUTION 005/2024**

Moved: Cr Logan Collins

Seconded: Cr David Graham

The draft Minutes of the Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils (REROC) Board Meeting held on 8 December 2023, attached to the report, be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

## **8.2 BUSINESS**

### **8.2.1 STOCKINBINGAL ELLWOOD'S HALL S.355 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

#### **RESOLUTION 006/2024**

Moved: Cr Leigh Bowden

Seconded: Cr Trevor Glover

The Minutes of the Stockinbingal Ellwood's Hall s.355 Committee Ordinary Meeting held on 23 November 2023 and 12 December 2023, attached to the report, be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

### **8.2.2 COOTAMUNDRA HERITAGE CENTRE MANAGEMENT S.355 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

#### **RESOLUTION 007/2024**

Moved: Cr Les Boyd

Seconded: Cr Abb McAlister

The Minutes of the Cootamundra Heritage Centre Management s.355 Committee Meeting held 4 December 2023, attached to the report, be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

**8.3 FINANCE****8.3.1 FINANCE UPDATE - DECEMBER 2023****RESOLUTION 008/2024**

Moved: Cr David Graham

Seconded: Cr Abb McAlister

**The Finance Update report, be received and noted.****CARRIED****8.3.2 RESTRICTED CASH RECONCILIATION - DECEMBER 2023****RESOLUTION 009/2024**

Moved: Cr Leigh Bowden

Seconded: Cr David Graham

**The Restricted Cash Reconciliation report, be received and noted.****CARRIED****8.3.3 INVESTMENT REPORT - DECEMBER 2023****RESOLUTION 010/2024**

Moved: Cr David Graham

Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

**The report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 31 December 2023, be received and noted.****CARRIED****8.4 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

Nil

**8.5 ENGINEERING COOTAMUNDRA****8.5.1 COOTAMUNDRA ENGINEERING REPORT - JANUARY 2024****RESOLUTION 011/2024**

Moved: Cr Les Boyd

Seconded: Cr Leigh Bowden

**The Cootamundra Engineering Report for the month of January 2024 be noted.****CARRIED**

**8.6 ENGINEERING GUNDAGAI**

**8.6.1 GUNDAGAI ENGINEERING REPORT - JANUARY 2024**

**RESOLUTION 012/2024**

Moved: Cr Abb McAlister

Seconded: Cr David Graham

- 1. The Gundagai Engineering Report for the month of January 2024 be noted.**
- 2. Council lobby State and Federal member to expedite Disaster Recovery Funding.**

**CARRIED**

**8.7 REGIONAL SERVICES GUNDAGAI**

**8.7.1 REGIONAL SERVICES GUNDAGAI WORKS REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2023**

**RESOLUTION 013/2024**

Moved: Cr Trevor Glover

Seconded: Cr David Graham

**The Regional Services Gundagai Report for December 2023, be received and noted.**

**CARRIED**

**8.8 REGIONAL SERVICES COOTAMUNDRA**

**8.8.1 REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT MONTHLY WORKS REPORT**

**RESOLUTION 014/2024**

Moved: Cr Leigh Bowden

Seconded: Cr Logan Collins

**The Cootamundra Regional Services Department, Monthly Works Report be received and noted.**

**CARRIED**

**9 MOTION OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

**9.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CHRISTMAS IN COOTAMUNDRA**

**RESOLUTION 015/2024**

Moved: Cr Leigh Bowden

Seconded: Cr Penny Nicholson

**That a report be prepared and submitted to Council enabling Councils consideration for funding and organising the Christmas celebration in Cootamundra until such time as an appropriate organisation has the capacity to manage it.**

**CARRIED**

**10 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

**11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Nil

**The Meeting closed at 6:49pm**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 February 2024.**



**CHAIRPERSON**



**GENERAL MANAGER**