



Date: Friday, 15 December 2023

Time: 10:00 AM

**Location: Brewarrina Shire Council Chambers
57 Bathurst Street
Brewarrina NSW 2839**

MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

15 December 2023

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**MINUTES OF BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 57 BATHURST STREET,
BREWARRINA NSW 2839
ON FRIDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2023 AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: Cr Vivian Slack-Smith (Mayor), Cr Angelo Pippas (Deputy Mayor), Cr Mark Brown, Cr Trish Frail via Teleconference, Cr Douglas Gordon, Cr Isaac Gordon, Cr Donna Jeffries, Cr Noel Sheridan, Cr Tommy Stanton

IN ATTENDANCE: David Kirby (General Manager)

1 OPENING PRAYER & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
<p>RESOLVED 159/23 Moved: Cr Douglas Gordon Seconded:Cr Angelo Pippas That Council grant for Councillor FRAIL to attend via Teleconference for the Friday 15th December Ordinary Business Meeting. The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED</p>

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

<p>RESOLVED 160/23 Moved: Cr Mark Brown Seconded:Cr Noel Sheridan That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Friday 24th November 2023 covered by resolutions 145/23 to 158/23 action request be adopted. The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED</p>

5 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

6 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Nil

7 REPORTS TO COUNCIL FOR ACTION**7.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT****PURPOSE**

1. The purpose of this report is to present the reconciliation of Council's cashbook and bank statement as at 30th Nov 2023. The presentation of this information is not a requirement of any Act, however it has been provided historically for the information of Councillors.
2. In accordance with Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, the responsible accounting officer must provide the Council with a written report (setting out details of all money that the council has invested under Section 625 of the Act) to be presented to the ordinary meeting each month.

RESOLVED 161/23

Moved: Cr Angelo Pippas
Seconded: Cr Douglas Gordon

1. **The bank reconciliation report is received as information.**
2. **The Certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer for compliance with the Investment Policy and the Ministerial Investment Order dated 28 April 2017 be received and noted.**

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

7.2 NOMINATION OF NEW MEMBERS FOR NORTHERN REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to nominate new members in compliance with the Planning Panels Operational Procedures, which require two council members, with at least one member having expertise in areas such as planning, architecture, heritage, the environment, urban design, land economics, traffic and transport, law, engineering, or tourism.

RESOLVED 162/23

Moved: Cr Douglas Gordon
Seconded: Cr Noel Sheridan

That Council,

1. Propose and approve the nominations of Mayor Vivian Slack-Smith and David Kirby as permanent members; Cr Angelo Pippos, Cr Trish Frail, Cr Noel Sheridan, and Cr Isaac Gordon as alternate members, including at least one expert member, for the Northern Regional Planning Panel.
2. Approve the Executive Assistant (EA) to submit the ‘Council Nominated Members Form’ to the Planning Panels Secretariat following the nominations.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

7.3 PROPOSED CHRISTMAS CLOSURE OF COUNCIL OPERATIONS

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to propose and discuss the upcoming Christmas closure period for council operations, ensuring community awareness and operational continuity.

RESOLVED 163/23

Moved: Cr Angelo Pippos

Seconded: Cr Trish Frail

It is recommended that the council approves the Christmas closure period as proposed in this report.

.The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

7.4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

PURPOSE

To provide Council with an update of the recent Local Government Remuneration Tribunals Annual Determination.

RESOLVED 164/23

Moved: Cr Tommy Stanton

Seconded: Cr Angelo Pippos

That Council receive the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal review report as information and not to provide any submissions.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

8 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

8.1 GENERAL MANAGER’S DIARY

PURPOSE

To update Council on all General Manager activities for the period of 15th November 2023 to the 6th December 2023

8.2 MAYOR - DIARY**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a summary of meetings and functions attended during the reporting period.

8.3 STATUS REPORT**PURPOSE**

For Councillors to receive the Status Report.

8.4 TRANSPORT - INFORMATION REPORT**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to update Council on various road maintenance and construction activities in the previous month and provide a work program for the coming period.

8.5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER REPORT**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to inform Councillors of the progression of the projects and programs that sit under the Economic Development Unit. This includes Community Service, Tourism & Events and Economic Development.

8.6 HUMAN RESOURCES INFORMATION REPORT**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council on Human Resources current positions vacant and training that will be ongoing throughout 2023.

8.7 UTILITIES INFORMATION REPORT**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the status, as at 6 December 2023, of all works in the Utilities Section. The report is based on the 2023/24 financial year.

8.8 PLANT REPORT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the status on the 2023 Fleet Performance for the period ending November/December 2023. This is a monthly plant report showing the current position of Council’s Fleet.

MOTION

RESOLVED 165/23

Moved: Cr Douglas Gordon

Seconded:Cr Angelo Pippas

That;

The Status Report, Information Reports and Items of Correspondence from 8.1 to 8.8 be received and noted.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

9 NOTICE OF MOTION / QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLVED 166/23

Moved: Cr Mark Brown

Seconded:Cr Angelo Pippas

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

10.1 Environment, Planning, Health and Building Information Report

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - a of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

Meeting moved into closed session at 11:05am

RESOLVED 167/23

Moved: Cr Noel Sheridan

Seconded:Cr Mark Brown

That Council moves into open session.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

Meeting resumed open session at 11:30am

11 OPEN SESSION

11.1 THE GENERAL MANAGER REPORTED TO THE OPEN SESSION OF THE COUNCIL MEETING THAT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE MOVED IN CLOSED SESSION:

10.1 ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING, HEALTH AND BUILDING INFORMATION REPORT
That Council note the nature of this submission.

12 CONCLUSION OF MEETING

Meeting concluded at 11:35am