



**Date: Friday, 22 March 2024**

**Time: 10:00 AM**

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

# **MINUTES**

## **Ordinary Council Meeting**

**22 March 2024**

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**MINUTES OF BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE BREWARRINA SHIRE COUNCIL, 57 BATHURST STREET, BREWARRINA NSW  
2839  
ON FRIDAY, 22 MARCH 2024 AT 10:00 AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Angelo Pippos (Deputy Mayor), Cr Mark Brown, Cr Trish Frail (via teleconference), Cr Douglas Gordon, Cr Isaac Gordon, Cr Donna Jeffries, Cr Tommy Stanton

**IN ATTENDANCE:** David Kirby (General Manager), Olivia Hecksher (Economic Development Coordinator)

**1 OPENING PRAYER & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

**MOTION**

**RESOLVED 022/24**  
**Moved: Cr Donna Jeffries**  
**Seconded: Cr Douglas Gordon**  
That Council close for a 10 minute recess.  
**The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED**

**Meeting closed session at 10:02am**

**MOTION**


**RESOLVED 023/24**  
**Moved: Cr Isaac Gordon**  
**Seconded: Cr Douglas Gordon**  
That Council resume open session.  
**The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED**

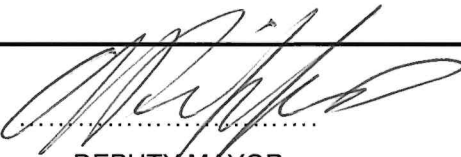
**Meeting resumed open session at 10:13am**

**2 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**APOLOGY**

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GENERAL MANAGER

  
DEPUTY MAYOR

**RESOLVED 024/24**

**Moved: Cr Tommy Stanton**  
**Seconded: Cr Douglas Gordon**

That the apology received from Cr Noel Sheridan and Cr Vivian Slack-Smith (Mayor) be accepted and leave of absence granted and that Cr Trish Frail be accepted to attend via teleconference.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

**3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****RESOLVED 025/24**

**Moved: Cr Tommy Stanton**  
**Seconded: Cr Donna Jeffries**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 covered by resolutions 001/24 to 016/24 action request be adopted..

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

**5 MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil.

**6 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Nil.

**7 REPORTS TO COUNCIL FOR ACTION****7.1 SMOKE FREE POLICY****PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council about the Smoke Free Workplace Policy changes to ensure compliance with Council legislative obligations.

**RESOLVED 026/24**

**Moved: Cr Donna Jeffries**  
**Seconded: Cr Isaac Gordon**

  
GENERAL MANAGER

  
DEPUTY MAYOR

That Council re-adopt the Smoke Free Workplace Policy in 2024 with legislative amendments and updates.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

## 7.2 BANK RECONCILIATION & INVESTMENT REPORT

### PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present the reconciliation of Council's cashbook and bank statement as at 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024. The presentation of this information is not a requirement of any Act, however it has been provided historically for the information of Councillors.

### RESOLVED 027/24

Moved: Cr Isaac Gordon

Seconded: Cr Trish Frail

That;

1. The bank reconciliation and Investment report are received for 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

## 7.3 TIMEFRAMES FOR 2024/25 BUDGET INFORMATION REPORT

### PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to advise the Council of the timeframes for 2024/25 budget.

### RESOLVED 0278/24

Moved: Cr Mark Brown

Seconded: Cr Isaac Gordon

That;

1. The April Ordinary Council Meeting & Councillor Workshop for Preliminary Draft Budget be moved from the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2024 to the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2024.
2. Council adopt the timetable and timeframe, reflecting change of Council Meeting and Workshop date, as our plan to deliver and adopt Operation Budget 2024/25.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the MEETING was declared CARRIED

## 8 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

### 8.1 MAYORS DIARY

#### PURPOSE

To provide Council with an update of all Mayoral activities throughout February/March 2024

### 8.2 GENERAL MANAGER DIARY

#### PURPOSE

To update Council on all General Manager activities for the month of February/March 2024.

### 8.3 STATUS REPORT MARCH

#### PURPOSE

To provide Council an update of the Status Report for the month of March 2024.

### 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 UTILITES REPORT

  
GENERAL MANAGER

  
DEPUTY MAYOR

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**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the status as at 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024 of all works in the Utilities section. This report is based on the 2023/2024 financial year.

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**8.5 HUMAN RESOURCES****PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council on Human Resources current positions vacant and training that will be ongoing throughout 2024.

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**8.8 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGERS REPORT****PURPOSE**

The Purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update of all activities in the Economic Development department.

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**RESOLVED 0289/24**

**Moved: Cr Isaac Gordon**

**Seconded: Trish Frail**

**That Councillors receive item 8.1 to 8.8 in the Reports for Information Section as Information.**

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

**9 NOTICE OF MOTION / QUESTIONS NEXT MEETING**

- 9.1: Cr Donna Jeffries – requested a status report/update on the current maintenance works ongoing at the Bowling Shed at the Visitor Information Centre.
- 9.2: Cr Douglas Gordon – requested a shade sail for the skate park.
- 9.3: Cr Tommy Stanton – requested further information on possibility of a shade sail at the Goodooga Splash Park.
- 9.4: Cr Isaac Gordon – requested an update on the status of the Golf Club.
- 9.5: Cr Tommy Stanton – basketball courts in Goodooga.
- 9.6: Cr Tommy Stanton – cemetery in Goodooga – funding to put toilets, seating, etc.

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GENERAL MANAGER



DEPUTY MAYOR

**10 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS****RESOLVED 02930/24****Moved: Cr Douglas Gordon****Seconded: Cr Donna Jeffries**

**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 Rates Exemption Claims Under S555 (1)(b1) for John Hart ( Rates Account # 890 )**

**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).**

**10.2 Weir Park**

**This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - a and h 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) and information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.**

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

**Meeting moved into closed session at 11:23am.**

**RESOLVED 0301/24****Moved: Cr Mark Brown****Seconded: Cr Douglas Gordon**

**That Council moves into open session.**

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

**Meeting resumed open session at 11:48am.**

**8 OPEN SESSION**

Nil

**9 CONCLUSION OF MEETING**

**Meeting concluded at 11:49am.**

  
GENERAL MANAGER  
DEPUTY MAYOR