

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD  
AT THE GOOLGOWI COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
on Tuesday, 15 March 2022 commencing at 10.05am**

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**1. PRESENT**

Councillors: DL Jardine (Mayor), DA Liddicoat, B Furner, MS Armstrong, LW Cashmere, JK Potter, HJ Lyall, DP Fensom and WR Kite.

Staff: General Manager Rick Warren, Director Infrastructure Services Paul Farrell, and Director Corporate & Community Services Robert Rayner.

**2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

A request for leave of absence was received from GR Peters.

**0079 RESOLVED** that the request for leave of absence from GR Peters be received and granted.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

**3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**4. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**0080 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held 15 February 2022 as circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

**5. BUSINESS ARISING**

Councillor training/inductions to be held after the meeting on the 19 April, 2022.

**6. MOTIONS & QUESTIONS (NOTICE GIVEN)**

Nil

**7. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC ADDRESSES (WHERE SCHEDULED)**

12.45 pm Presentation to Russell Campbell

**8. MAYORAL REPORTS**

**0081 RESOLVED** that Council note the Mayors report to the March 2022 meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

**9. DELEGATES REPORTS**

Cr HJ Lyall attended a zoom meeting with the Kidman Way Committee

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

**10.0 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**10.1 Ongoing Action from Previous Business Papers**

**0082 RESOLVED** that Council note the update on action report for March 2022.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr JK Potter / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

**0083 RESOLVED** that Council write to Griffith City Council in relation to their section of the Back Hillston Road

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr B Furner

10.33 am Human Resources Officer joined the meeting.

## **10.2 Precis of Correspondence**

### **10.2.1 Bert Eade – Hillston RSL Sub-Branch Memorial Stone**

**0084 RESOLVED** that Council note the report and request the General Manager to obtain more details.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

### **10.2.2 United Services Union – Rate Cap 2022**

**0085 RESOLVED** that Council note the report by Professor Brian Dollery regarding rate cap and methodology of IPART determination as commissioned by the United Services Union.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

### **10.2.3 Resilience and Recovery Agency – Waiving Hire Fees Stan Peters Oval**

**0086 RESOLVED** that Council will not waive the fee for the use of Stan Peters Oval

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr JK Potter

### **10.2.4 Hillston Central School – Waiving Hire Fees Community Hall Hire**

**0087 RESOLVED** that Council will waive the fees for the use of the Hillston Community Centre by Hillston Central School.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr JK Potter  
Cr DL Jardine requested his objection be noted.

## **10.3 Western Regional Planning Panel – Representation**

**0088 RESOLVED** that Council nominate the Mayor and General Manager as its representative for the Western Regional Planning Panel.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

## **10.4 Councillor Superannuation Payments**

**0089 RESOLVED** that Council not endorse superannuation contribution payments for Councillors from 1 July 2022.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

10.56 am Council meeting paused.

**0090 RESOLVED** that Council suspend standing orders to hold a workshop on the Community Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

**0091 RESOLVED** that Council resume standing orders.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

11.31 am Council resumed the Council meeting

## **10.5 Community Strategic Plan**

**0092 RESOLVED** that Council receive the draft Community Strategic Plan and note that it will be completed for endorsement at the April meeting, after which the document will go on public display.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

11.32 am Human Resources Officer left the meeting

## **10.6 Infrastructure Report**

**0093 RESOLVED** that Council note the Infrastructure Report for February 2022.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **10.7 Request to go to Tender – LRCI Phase 3**

**0094 RESOLVED** that Council select the open tender method in accordance with clause 166c of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 for the design and construction of 5.6 km of Lachlan River Road.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **10.8 Request to go to Tender – Rankins Springs Flood Study**

**0095 RESOLVED** that Council approve the withdrawal of the report.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

### **10.9 Hillston Heavy Vehicle Bypass - Update**

**0096 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. note the update on the Hillston Heavy Vehicle bypass.
2. provide a further report to the April meeting on making the Cowper Street/Springs Road intersection road train safe.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

### **10.10 Carrathool Road Construction - Update**

**0097 RESOLVED** that Council note the report for the Carrathool Road construction, and further updates be presented to Council as the project progresses.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

### **10.11 Plant Report**

**0098 RESOLVED** that the Plant Report for as at 2 March 2022 be received.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

12.11 pm Manager Fleet & Town Services joined the meeting.

### **10.12 Plant Replacement**

**0099 RESOLVED** that Council receive the Plant Replacement report for March 2022.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

### **10.13 Rankins Springs Landfill Update**

**0100 RESOLVED** that Council continue with the current hours of operation for the Rankins Springs landfill, and monitor local residents' feedback.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

12.20 pm Manager Fleet & Town Services left the meeting.

### **10.14 Development Applications February 2022**

**0101 RESOLVED** that the Determinations for Development Applications received for February 2022 be noted.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **10.15 Council Policy 060 – Cemetery Management Policy**

**0102 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. adopt the Cemetery Management Policy and place the draft policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
2. adopt the policy after the public exhibition period if no submissions are received

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

### **10.16 Finance Report – Statement of Bank Balances – February 2022**

**0103 RESOLVED** that Council note the Statement of Bank Balances as at 28 February 2022 and confirm payment of accounts as summarised in the reconciliation statement totalling \$3,226,074.34.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr B Furner

## **10.17 Finance Report – Investments Schedule – February 2022**

**0104 RESOLVED** that Council note the Schedule of Investments as at 28 February 2022.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr JK Potter

## **10.18 Draft 2022/23 General Rate Levy**

**0105 RESOLVED** that Council adopt the rating structure for inclusion in the draft Operational Plan, noting the increase as approved by IPART will be 0.7%.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

12.47 pm The Council meeting was adjourned for the presentation to Russell Campbell

12.58 pm The Council meeting was resumed

12.59 pm Meeting adjourned for lunch

2.03 pm Meeting returned from lunch

## **10.19 Farmland Rate Categories**

**0106 RESOLVED** that Council receive the report on farmland rate categories.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

## **10.20 New Council Policy – Procurement & Credit Card Policy**

**0107 RESOLVED** that Council:  
1. approve the draft Procurement and Credit Card Policy and place the draft policy on public exhibition for 28 days.  
2. adopt the policy after the exhibition period if no submissions are received.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

12.24 pm the Economic Development Officer joined the meeting.

## **10.21 Economic Development Unit Report – March 2022**

**0108 RESOLVED** that Council note the Economic Development Officer's report for March 2022.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr B Furner

12.34 pm the Economic Development Officer left the meeting

## **11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Nil

## **12.0 CLOSED COUNCIL REPORTS**

**CLOSED COUNCIL** 2.14 pm

**0109 RESOLVED** that Council resolve into closed council pursuant to Section 10A of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to consider the closed Council reports.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

## **12.1 Carrathool Shire Council Scholarship Scheme**

**0110 RESOLVED** that Council award its two scholarships of \$3,000 to Adela Neal & Rebecca Morio for 2022 and advise Charles Sturt University by 17 March 2022.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr B Furner

## **12.2 Proposed Land Rezoning Hillston – Progress Report**

**0111 RESOLVED** that Council:  
1. note the planning proposals relating to the High Street rezoning and the rezoning necessary for the McGregor Street residential subdivision in Hillston.  
2. submit the proposals to the NSW Department of Planning for approval.  
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

**OPEN COUNCIL**

2.49 pm

**0112 RESOLVED** that Council resolve into open Council.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

**CLOSED COUNCIL REPORT**

The resolutions of Council made while the meeting was closed to the public were read to the open Council meeting by the General Manager.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

**13.0 NEXT MEETING**

The next **Ordinary Meeting** of Council will be held at the **Hillston District Office** on **Tuesday 19 April 2022** commencing at **10.00am**.

**CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 2.53 pm.

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday, 15 March 2022 were confirmed at the subsequent Ordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday, 19 April 2022

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Chairman of the Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday, 19 April 2022, at which meeting the above signature was subscribed.