

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD  
AT THE HILLSTON DISTRICT OFFICE  
on Tuesday, 18 April 2023 commencing at 10.45 am**

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**1. PRESENT**

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

Staff: General Manager Rick Warren, Director Corporate & Community Services Robert Rayner, Director Infrastructure Services Barry Heins and Manager Town & Fleet Services Bert Breuling.

**2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

A request for leave of absence was received from LW Cashmere.

**0475 RESOLVED** that the request for leave of absence from LW Cashmere be received and granted.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

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

Nil

**4. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**0476 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held 21 March 2023 as circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

**5. BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil

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

Nil

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

Nil

**8. MAYORAL REPORTS**

**8.1 Mayors Report**

**0478 RESOLVED** that Council note the Mayors report to the April 2023 meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DL Jardine

**9. DELEGATES REPORTS**

Nil

**10.0 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**10.1 Ongoing Action from Previous Business Papers**

**0479 RESOLVED** that Council note the update on action report for April 2023.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

**10.2 Precis of Correspondence**

**10.2.1 Small Business Commissioner NSW**

**0480 RESOLVED** that Council note the provision of the 2022 Annual Review by the NSW Small Business Commissioner.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **10.2.2 Hillston Swans Football & Netball Club**

**0481 RESOLVED** that Council write to the Club advising them that it can not assist at this time. Noting that Council provides considerable assistance already to the club.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **10.2.3 Griffith Off Road Race Club**

**0482 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. note the annual off road event to be conducted by Griffith Off Road Club will be held 7-9 July 2023,
2. note that the temporary closure of part of Mitchells road has been approved under delegated authority.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **10.3 Electric Vehicle Destination Feasibility Assessment**

**0483 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. note the information provided regarding potential Electric Vehicle charging station locations at Goolgowi, Hillston and Rankins Springs.
2. request Council staff provide a further report and submission on the installation of EV charging stations at Goolgowi and Hillston when funding opportunities are available.
3. contact the NRMA to see if they have funding available.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr JK Potter

### **10.4 Infrastructure Report**

**0484 RESOLVED** that Council note the Infrastructure Report for April 2023.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr B Furner

### **10.5 Request to go to Tender – Panel of Subcontractors**

**0485 RESOLVED** that Council select the open tender method in accordance with clause 166a of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 for the creation of a Panel of Subcontractors.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

### **10.6 Plant Report**

**0486 RESOLVED** that Council note the Plant Report as at 31 March 2023.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

### **10.7 Development Applications – April 2023**

**0487 RESOLVED** that the Determinations for Development Applications received for March 2023 be noted.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **10.8 Variations to Development Standards – 2023 Quarter 1**

**0488 RESOLVED** that Council note the Clause 4.6 LEP Variations to Development Standards for January to March 2023.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr B Furner

### **10.9 Finance Report – Statement of Bank Balances – March 2023**

**0489 RESOLVED** that Council note the Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 March 2023 and confirm payment of accounts as summarised in the reconciliation statement totalling \$3,775,909.77.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **10.10 Finance Report – Investments Schedule – March 2023**

**0490 RESOLVED** that Council receive the investment report as at 31 March 2023 and it be noted that in accordance with clause 212 paragraph (1)(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, it can be certified that the investments listed have been made in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **10.11 Draft 2023/24 Fees and Charges**

**0491 RESOLVED** that Council note the schedule of Fees & Charges for inclusion in the draft Operational Plan 2023/24.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

### **10.12 Community Development Officer Report – April 2023**

**0492 RESOLVED** that Council note the Community Development Officers report for April 2023.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

### **10.13 Lake Woorabinda Festival 2024**

**0493 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. include with an income offset from grant funding funds in the 2023-2024 budget to hold the Lake Woorabinda Festival in 2024.
2. review the opportunity for funding at the December 2023 meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr B Furner

## **11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **11.1 Plant Committee Meeting 18 April 2023**

**0495 RESOLVED** that council note and adopt the recommendations of the Plant Committee held today before the ordinary Council meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

### **11.2 Roads Committee Meeting 18 April 2023**

**0496 RESOLVED** that council note and adopt the recommendations of the Roads Committee held today before the ordinary Council meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

## **12.0 CLOSED COUNCIL REPORTS**

**CLOSED COUNCIL** 12.12 pm

**0497 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 DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **12.1 Award Tender 2022-003 - Supply and Delivery of Fuel and Lubricants**

**0498 RESOLVED** that Council accept the tender from OCWEN Energy Pty Ltd – Trading as Lowes Petroleum Services for Tender 2022-003 for the supply and delivery of fuel and lubricants to Carrathool Shire for a period of thirty six (36) months with an extension option of a further 2 terms of twenty four (24) months.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

### **12.2 Expression of interest - Sale of land in Goolgowi**

**0499 RESOLVED** that Council inform the prospective purchaser of 25 Zara Street Goolgowi that the block will be included for sale at the upcoming auction of land for sale for unpaid rates and charges.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

### **12.3 Request for Burial on Private Property**

**0500 RESOLVED** that Council approve the request for a burial on private land at “Five Corners” in accordance with Council Policy Number 60 and the NSW Public Health Regulation 2022.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

### **12.4 Gunbar Water – Proposed Pipeline**

**0501 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. note the information provided following the Gunbar Water Proposal.
2. determine the level of storage and delivery requirements needed at Goolgowi dam to be 8 ML and 3.5ML per day respectively.
3. request a copy of the Feasibility Study.
4. Council provide a letter of support for the concept of filtered piped water to users in the Carrathool Area, including Councils raw water supply to storage at Goolgowi.
5. Council notes that the information provided to date has been scant and the proposal as understood by Council is cost prohibitive for prospective consumers via Councils supply network.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr MS Armstrong

### **12.5 TfNSW Road Maintenance Council Contract – Proposed New Contract**

**0502 RESOLVED** that Council inform TfNSW it will consider the proposed Road Maintenance Council Contract at the May meeting of Council following the information sessions to be conducted by TfNSW 18 - 23 April 2023

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

1.09 pm The Council meeting adjourned for lunch.

1.09 pm Manager Town and Fleet Services left the meeting

2.08 pm The Council meeting returned from lunch.

### **12.6 Murrumbidgee Irrigation – Barren Box Swamp**

**0503 RESOLVED** that Council:

1. inform Ms Jones it has no regulatory authority regarding the issues of concern raised by her.
2. suggest she contact the NSW Department of Planning and Environment should she have concerns regarding the licencing arrangements for the water storage and operations.
3. should Ms Jones consider there has been a substantial pollution breach taking place within the operations she seek advice from the NSW Environmental Protection Authority.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr JK Potter

### **12.7 Hillston Aerodrome Operating Hours**

**0504 RESOLVED** that Council request Council staff to provide a report on the operating hours of the Hillston Aerodrome for the May 2023 meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DL Jardine / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

### **OPEN COUNCIL**

2.37 pm

**0505 RESOLVED** that Council return to open Council.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

### **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 DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

**13.0 NEXT MEETING**

The next **Ordinary Meeting** of Council will be held at the **Goolgowi Council Chambers** on **Tuesday 16 May 2023** commencing at **9.00am**.

**CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 2.40 pm.

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday, 18 April 2023 were confirmed at the subsequent Ordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday, 16 May 2023

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Chairman of the Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday, 16 May 2023, at which meeting the above signature was subscribed.