

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE CARRATHOOL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD
AT THE CONAPAIRA HOTEL RANKINS SPRINGS
on Tuesday, 15 August 2023 commencing at 10.00 am**

1. PRESENT

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

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

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

| Report | Councillor/ Officer | Reason | Pecuniary / Non-Pecuniary |
|--------|------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| 10.20 | Cr DL Jardine | Wife is a member of the Hillston Ladies Golf Club | Non-Pecuniary |
| 10.20 | Cr HJ Lyall | Member of Hillston Ladies Golf Club, Member of Hillston CWA, and Hillston Creative Arts Council. | Non-Pecuniary |
| 10.20 | Cr JK Potter | Committee member Willanthy Hall. | Non-Pecuniary |

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

0597 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held 18 July 2023 as circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr B Furner

5. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

6. MOTIONS & QUESTIONS (NOTICE GIVEN)

Nil

7. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC ADDRESSES (WHERE SCHEDULED)

Nil

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

Nil

8. MAYORAL REPORTS

8.1 Mayors Report

0598 RESOLVED that Council note the Mayors report to the August 2023 meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

9. DELEGATES REPORTS

Nil

10.0 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

10.1 Ongoing Action from Previous Business Papers

0599 RESOLVED that Council note the update on action report for August 2023.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

10.2 Precis of Correspondence

10.2.1 NSW Reconstruction Authority

0600 RESOLVED that Council note the development of State, Regional and Local disaster plans by NSW Reconstruction Authority to be delivered late 2023.

CARRIED Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

10.2.2 Hillston Hogs Fundraising

0601 RESOLVED that Council note the funding has been provided through the Community Grants Scheme.

CARRIED Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

10.2.3 Department of Planning and Environment – Hillston Common

0602 RESOLVED that Council note the response from the Department of Planning and Environment in regard to the Water Licence attached to the Hillston Common.

CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

10.3 General Managers Performance Review

0603 RESOLVED that Council:

1. note the requirement for a review of the performance of the General Manager.
2. conduct the review in September 2023 following the ordinary meeting at Hillston.
3. the review be conducted by full Council.

CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

10.4 Caravan Parks – Operations

0604 RESOLVED that Council:

1. note the results of the caravan parks for the 2022/23 financial year.
2. note the progress of both the Hillston Caravan Park Drainage project and the installation of the cabin later this year.
3. provide a further report on the viability of an extra cabin being placed in the Hillston Caravan Park.

CARRIED Moved: Cr B Furner / Seconded: Cr JK Potter

10.5 Infrastructure Report

0605 RESOLVED that Council note the Infrastructure Report for August 2023.

CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

10.56 am Community Development Officer joined the meeting.

10.6 Camerons Road Upgrade

0606 RESOLVED that Council note the details, costings for the upgrade works to Camerons Road, noting that funding has been allocated under the Local Roads Community Infrastructure Program in accordance with Resolution 0582.

CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

10.7 Funded Works Program – Pothole Repair

0607 RESOLVED that Council note the status of the Pothole Repair Program.

CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

10.8 Funded Works Program – Regional and Local Roads Repair Program

0608 RESOLVED that Council note the status of the Repair Program.

CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

10.9 Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program

0609 RESOLVED that Council cost and scope roads and other projects as listed in the report.

CARRIED Moved: Cr LW Cashmere / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

10.10 Plant Report

0610 RESOLVED that Council note the Plant Report as at 31 July 2023.
CARRIED Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr WR Kite

10.11 Development Applications – August 2023

0611 RESOLVED that the Determinations for Development Applications received for July 2023 be noted.
CARRIED Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr B Furner

10.12 Development Application DA2023/030 – Extractive Industry – Quarry

0612 RESOLVED that Council notes the progress of Development Application DA2023/030.
CARRIED Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr B Furner

10.13 Finance Report – Statement of Bank Balances – July 2023

0613 RESOLVED that Council note the Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 July 2023 and confirm payment of accounts as summarised in the reconciliation statement totalling \$4,689,526.24.
CARRIED Moved: Cr WR Kite / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

12.23 pm Manager Infrastructure Services left the meeting.

10.14 Finance Report – Investments Schedule – July 2023

0614 RESOLVED that Council receive the investment report as at 31 July 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 HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

10.15 Internal Reserves 2022/23

0615 RESOLVED that Council confirm and approve the internal reserve balances for the 2022/23 financial year.
CARRIED Moved: Cr JK Potter / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

10.16 Revotes from 2022/23 to 2023/24

0616 RESOLVED that Council:
1. revote the budgets detailed in Attachment A totalling \$3,247,640.
2. note the budgets detailed in Attachment B totalling \$9,070,801.
CARRIED Moved: Cr DP Fensom / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

10.17 Community Development Officer Report – August 2023

0617 RESOLVED that Council note the Community Development Officers report for August 2023.
CARRIED Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

10.18 Service NSW for Business

0618 RESOLVED that Council endorse the Partnership Agreement with Service NSW.
CARRIED Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr B Furner

10.19 Creation of Shovel Ready Project List

0619 RESOLVED that Council determined that all the projects listed in the report be developed, costed and scoped for inclusion in a “Shovel Ready” list.
CARRIED Moved: Cr GR Peters / Seconded: Cr B Furner

10.20 2023-2024 Council Community Grants Scheme

0620 RESOLVED that Council approve the following successful applications for community grants:

| Applicant | | Project Name | Amount Requested |
|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| GOOLGOWI | | | |
| 1 | Goolgowi CWA | Chair Replacement | \$1,350.00 |
| 2 | Goolgowi Ex-Servicemen's Club | Coolroom Refurbishment Project | \$1,500.00 |
| 3 | Goolgowi Public Hall | Upgrade/Replace Tables | \$1,035.00 |
| | | SUBTOTAL | \$3,885.00 |
| HILLSTON | | | |
| 5 | Hillston Bluebirds Rugby League Club | First Aid Training & Member Safety | \$1,500.00 |
| 6 | Hillston Hogs Rugby Union Club | Long White Lunch | \$1,500.00 |
| 8 | Hillston Ladies Golf Club | Upgrade Heating & Cooling | \$1,500.00 |
| 10 | Hillston Swans Football & Netball Club | Kiosk Equipment | \$1,500.00 |
| 11 | Active Farmers – Hillston | Sporting Equipment | \$1,500.00 |
| 12 | Willanthry Hall Sports & Social Club | Cement Cricket Pitch at Willanthry | \$1,500.00 |
| 14 | Hillston CWA | Bathroom Improvements – CWA Hall | \$1,500.00 |
| 15 | Hillston Hook Line & Sinker Festival | Equipment & Advertising Upgrades | \$1,284.20 |
| 17 | Hillston Basketball Association | New Equipment & Supplies | \$1,278.53 |
| | | SUBTOTAL | \$13,062.73 |
| RANKINS SPRINGS | | | |
| 19 | Rankins Springs Golf Club | Block Out Holland Blinds | \$1,189.00 |
| 21 | Rankins Springs Rugby League Club | Canteen Equipment | \$1,039.79 |
| 23 | Rankins Springs Progress Association | Rankins Springs Centenary Signs | \$1,500.00 |
| 24 | Rankins Springs Progress Association | Centenary Fireworks | \$1,500.00 |
| | | SUBTOTAL | \$5,228.79 |
| | | TOTAL | \$22,176.52 |

CARRIED

Moved: Cr LW Cashmere / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

11.59 am Community Development Officer left the meeting.

11.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

12.0 CLOSED COUNCIL REPORTS

CLOSED COUNCIL 12.37 pm

0621 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 DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

12.1 Hillston Medical Centre – Update

0622 RESOLVED that Council note the current status of the Hillston Medical Centre.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr HJ Lyall / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

12.17 pm Manager Town & Fleet Services joined the meeting.

12.2 Plant Update – New Item of Plant – 15 Tonne Excavator Tender 2023-003

0623 RESOLVED that Council purchase a Caterpillar 315 Zero Tail Swing Excavator from Westrac Pty Ltd for \$260,850.00.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr LW Cashmere / Seconded: Cr HJ Lyall

12.53 pm Council adjourned for lunch.

1.29 pm Council returned from lunch.

12.3 Plant Update – Tender 2023-001 Plant Number 2052

0624 RESOLVED that Council purchase a Hino FM 2628 Long Auto 6x4 truck and burcher body from Wagga Trucks Pty Ltd for \$434,188.56 and accept the trade offer of \$25,454.52 for the current vehicle.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DP Fensom

12.4 Plant Update – Tender 2023-002 Plant Number 3052

0625 RESOLVED that Council trade plant number 3052 Caterpillar 938 loader into Westrac Pty Ltd for \$110,000.00 and purchase a new Caterpillar 938K wheel loader for \$361,420.00 this represents a changeover cost to Council of \$251,420.00. Westrac will lock these prices in and any increase will not be passed on to Council.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr LW Cashmere / Seconded: Cr GR Peters

12.5 Plant Update – Plant Number 3062

0626 RESOLVED that Council trade plant number 3062 MST Backhoe Loader in to Intersales Pty Ltd Griffith for \$40,000.00 and purchase a new JCB 3CX Backhoe Loader for \$190,000.00. This represents a changeover cost to Council of \$150,000.00 excluding GST.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

12.6 Plant Update – Plant Number 3055

0627 RESOLVED that Council sell plant number 3055 Hitachi Mini Excavator and Trailer to Pickles Auctions for \$17,272.73 and purchase a new Wacker Neuson Mini Excavator and Trailer from Liftek Griffith for \$47,980.00 which is available for immediate delivery. This represents a changeover cost to Council of \$30,707.27 excluding GST.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr MS Armstrong / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

1.44 pm Manager Town & Fleet Services left the meeting.

12.7 Hillston & Goolgowi Water Supply

0628 RESOLVED that Council receive a further report on the increasing of access charges for meter sizes greater than the standard service and its impact on income for the Hillston and Goolgowi Water Supplies for consideration prior to setting the 2024/25 Fees and Charges.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr LW Cashmere / Seconded: Cr DA Liddicoat

OPEN COUNCIL 2.10 pm

0629 RESOLVED that Council return to open Council.

CARRIED

Moved: Cr DA Liddicoat / Seconded: Cr LW Cashmere

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 LW Cashmere

13.0 Next Meeting

The next **Ordinary Meeting** of Council will be held at the **Hillston District Office** on **Tuesday 19 September 2023** commencing at **10.00am**.

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 2.13 pm.

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday 15 August 2023 were confirmed at the subsequent Ordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday, 19 September 2023

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Chairman of the Meeting of the Carrathool Shire Council held on Tuesday, 19 September 2023, at which meeting the above signature was subscribed.