



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**Tuesday, 19 July 2022**

**Philip Stone  
General Manager**

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## 1. OPENING MEETING

The meeting opened at 9.00am.

## 2. ATTENDANCE

**In Attendance:** Mayor Cr Peta Betts, Deputy Mayor, Cr Paul Fellows, Cr Harold Clapham, Cr Shirlee Burge, Cr Pat Fogarty, Cr Marc Petersen, Cr Shannon Sampson

**Via Zoom:** Cr Linda Fawns

**Staff in Attendance:** Philip Stone (General Manager); Alistair Cochrane (Acting Director Corporate Services); Mark Dalzell (Director Infrastructure); Greg Briscoe-Hough entered the Chambers at 9.11am (Governance Officer); Marie Sutton (Manager Planning & Development); Belinda Perrett (Executive Assistant)

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## 3. LIVE STREAMING STATEMENT

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## 4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge that we are here today on the land of the Wamba Wamba Perrepa Perrepa people. I would also like to acknowledge and pay my respects to past Aboriginal Elders, the present Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who reside within this area, and their future generations.

## 5. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

I have come here as a Councillor freely and without bias to:

- Represent the views of the community in considering the matters before us today
- To vote in a matter I consider to be in the best interest of the community
- To observe the Code of Conduct and respect the rule of the chair and views of my fellow Councillors.

## 6. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

### RESOLUTION 2022/0719/6

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows

That Council accept the apology received from Cr Tarrisa Moore.

**CARRIED**

## **7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **7.1. DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 28 JUNE 2022**

#### **RESOLUTION 2022/0719/7.1**

Moved: Cr Shirlee Burge

Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen

That the draft minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 28 June 2022 be moved as a true and correct record

**CARRIED**

## **8. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Nil

## **9. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)**

Nil

## **10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

### **10.1. S355 MINUTES - BLIGHTY AND CONARGO HALL COMMITTEES**

#### **RESOLUTION 2022/0719/10.1**

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows

That the minutes of the Blighty Hall Committee and the Conargo Hall Committee be moved as true and correct records.

**CARRIED**

**11. REPORTS TO COUNCIL****11.1. MAYOR, COUNCILLOR, GENERAL MANAGER MEETING ATTENDANCE****RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.1**

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen

That Council note the Mayor Councillors and General Manager meetings attended on behalf of Council during the month of June 2022 undertaken either remotely, or adhering to COVID-19 regulations. Noting that on June 9 neither Cr Marc Petersen nor Cr Linda Fawns were in attendance at the Budget Roadshow community meeting.

**CARRIED**

**11.2. RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL****RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.2**

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

That Council note the information in the Resolutions of Council as at 7 July 2022.

**CARRIED**

**11.3. INVESTMENTS AND RESERVES REPORT JUNE 2022****RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.3**

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Cr Fellows

That Council:

Note and receive the June 2022 report on Investments totalling \$47,324,176 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations.

Note that actual interest earned in the month of June 2022 was \$37,425.

Note that total interest earned for the year to 30 June 2022 was \$295,621.

Note the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer and adopt the Investment Report.

**CARRIED**

**11.4. DEBT RECOVERY AND HARDSHIP POLICY****RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.4**

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Clapham

That Council review and approve the edited Debt Recovery and Hardship Policy, specifically the removal of the interim revision for Rates Harmonisation which expired 30 June 2022.

**CARRIED**

**11.5. COUNCILLOR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT****RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.5**

Moved: Cr Shanon Sampson

Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen

That Council receive and note the report:

To demonstrate Councillors commitment to integrity in office by completing annual returns in both a timely and fulsome manner;

The requirements for Councillors to submit pecuniary interest and related party returns and recommended publication of identifiable and consolidated interests for each Councillor on Council's website; and

Consider the issues of capturing and securing public records, particularly in relation to Councillor communications.

**CARRIED**

**11.6. MURRAY DARLING ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

Resolve to maintain membership of the Murray Darling Association and

Resolve that two Councillors be given the opportunity to attend the Murray Darling Association's 78th National Conference and AGM September 29-21, 2022 hosted by Albury City Council.

**RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.6**

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns

Seconded: Cr Harold Clapham

That Council

Resolve to cancel membership of the Murray Darling Association.

**CARRIED**

**11.7. FREE WASTE DISPOSAL WEEKENDS 2022/2023****RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.7**

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Cr Shanon Sampson

That Council:

Approve the Free Waste Disposal weekends at the Deniliquin Landfill to take place on the following dates during the 2022/23 financial year: 10th & 11 September 2022, 17th & 18th December 2022, 1st & 2nd April 2023 and 24th & 25th June 2023.

Note that on the Free Waste Disposal weekends the following waste is still charged for: tyres, commercial waste, construction and/or demolition waste

**CARRIED**

**11.8. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT - JUNE 2022**

**RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.8**

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

That Council receive and note the June Development Services update.

**CARRIED**

**11.9. OPERATIONS REPORT JUNE 2022**

**RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.9**

Moved: Cr Pat Fogarty

Seconded: Cr Shanon Sampson

That Council receive and note the June 2022 Operations update.

**CARRIED**

**11.10. MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT - JULY 2022**

**RESOLUTION 2022/0719/11.10**

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen

Seconded: Cr Shanon Sampson

That Council receive and note the Major Projects Program – Progress Report for July 2022.

**CARRIED**

**12. NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

Nil

**13. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

**14. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

Nil

**15. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 10.25am.