



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

19 FEBRUARY 2019

PRESENT

Councillors

D Batten (Mayor)  
A Walker (Deputy Mayor)  
S Baker  
G Johnson  
B Mockler  
N Mudford  
D Naden  
G Peart  
N Wrigley

Employees

D J Neeves  
General Manager  
N J Alchin  
Director Corporate Services  
G McAnally-Elwin  
Acting Director Community Services  
D Colwell  
Director Infrastructure  
L Mathieson  
Director Planning & Environment  
J Prout  
Executive Assistant

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.30pm  
with Mr Randall Medd, Economic Development Manager, in attendance

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ADJOURNMENTS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Johnson, *Tender - McGrane Oval Lighting* (pecuniary interest). Cr Johnson's son works for one of the electrical companies that submitted a tender for the work.

Cr Mudford, *Tender - McGrane Oval Lighting* (less than significant non-pecuniary interest). Cr Mudford has a distant relative who works for one of the electrical companies that submitted a tender for the work.

Cr Baker, *Gravel Royalties* (pecuniary interest). Cr Baker's husband owns an earthmoving company that provides services to Council.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

<b>RESOLVED 1/19</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Peart
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 19 December 2019, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to.	

LISTING OF MATTERS  
TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

<b>RESOLVED 2/19</b>	Cr Baker/Cr Johnson
That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Tender 39/18 - McGrane Oval Lighting (d)</li><li>○ Pre-feasibility Study (d)</li><li>○ Gilgandra Shire Library upgrades (c)</li><li>○ Request to consider land exchange (c)</li><li>○ Preferred trade supplier arrangements (c)</li><li>○ Fire damaged dwelling (b)</li></ul>	

<b>RESOLVED 3/19</b>	Cr Baker/Cr Johnson
That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the matters to be considered in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Clause 10 (2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate at 4.34pm.	

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**RESOLVED 11/19**

That the General Manager, Mr David Neeves, in line with Clauses 9(3), 377 and 335 of the Local Government Act, 1993, list all business relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Clause 10 (2) of the Act for consideration by the next meeting of the Council as such matters are deemed to be of confidential nature or such that Council's interest may be prejudiced by publicity, that the press and public be excluded from the meeting, provided however that, at the discretion of the Mayor, interested parties and/or their agents be granted approval to address the Council so that they are provided with the opportunity to substantiate any proposals under consideration and answer any questions from Councillors in relation thereto.

Proceedings in Brief

Mr Daryl Colwell, Director Infrastructure, provided an explanation of the emergency water main issue which created the need for the water supply to be turned off for approximately 1.5 hours on 18 February 2019. It was noted a media release would be issued to convey this information.

(GO.CO.1)

**MAYORAL MINUTE - 1/19**  
**MAYORAL COMMITMENTS**

SUMMARY

To advise of the Mayor's activities during the preceding month.

**RESOLVED 12/19**

Cr Batten

That the report be noted.

Proceedings in Brief

Mrs Barb Hay, Acting Finance Manager, and Mr Brian Irvin, Projects Manager, entered the meeting.

(CS.SP.1)

**PROJECTS UPDATE**

SUMMARY

To provide an update on the numerous projects currently being progressed.

**RESOLVED 13/19**

Cr Walker/Cr Mockler

That the report be noted.

Proceedings in Brief

Mr Irvin left the meeting and did not return.

(GO.PO.1)

**CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of the new Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW.

<b>RESOLVED 14/19</b>	Cr Johnson/Cr Naden
That the mandatory and non-mandatory provisions of the Draft Code of Meeting Practice be considered and a draft Gilgandra Shire Council Code of Meeting Practice be presented to a future meeting for consideration and adoption.	

(RD.MT.1)

**DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS (DRFA)**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) which have replaced the former Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) as of 1 November 2018.

<b>RESOLVED 15/19</b>	Cr Mudford/Cr Peart
1. That the introduction of the Federal Government's Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) and the NSW Disaster Assistance Guidelines (DAG) effective from 1 November 2018 be noted.	
2. That Council opt into the new co-funding arrangements for the use of normal-hours staff ('day labour'), the use of council's own plant and equipment and the extended period for Emergency Works and notify the Office of Emergency Management accordingly.	

(ED.PL.1)

**ECOTOURISM/GEOTOURISM ACCOMMODATION CONCEPT**

**SUMMARY**

To consider responses to a possible Ecotourism/Geotourism experience concept put forward at Council's September meeting.

<b>RESOLVED 16/19</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Johnson
That Council reaffirm its support to progressing this project and co-ordinate discussions with National Parks & Wildlife Service and Warrumbungle Shire Council once the outcomes of the NSW State Election is known.	

(GO.PO.1)

**DISTRIBUTION OF OROC SURPLUS FUNDS**

**SUMMARY**

To seek endorsement for surplus funds from the former Orana Regional Organisation of Councils (OROC) to be transferred to the Orana Joint Organisation.

<b>RESOLVED 17/19</b>	Cr Mudford/Cr Wrigley
That the balance of surplus OROC funding be transferred to the Orana Joint Organisation, thus providing additional working capital for the Orana Joint Organisation's ongoing operations.	

(FM.IN.1)

**2018/19 QUARTERLY OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW TO 31 DECEMBER 2018**

**SUMMARY**

To consider progress for the December quarter with Council's 2018/19 Operational Plan.

<b>RESOLVED 18/19</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Baker
That the 2018/19 Operational Plan Review for the quarter ended 31 December 2018 be adopted.	

(FM.BU.1)

**QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW 31 DECEMBER 2018**

**SUMMARY**

To detail the major variances to the original estimates for the 2018/19 financial year as presented in the Quarterly Budget Review as at 31 December 2018. In addition, to report as to whether the Quarterly Budget Review indicates that the financial position of Council is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimates adopted by Council.

<b>RESOLVED 19/19</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley
That the Quarterly Budget Review document and report as at 31 December 2018 be adopted with inclusion of an additional \$9783 expense for the demolition works of a fire damaged dwelling.	

**Proceedings in Brief**

Mrs Hay left the meeting at 5.43pm and did not return.

(GO.EL1)

**ADMINISTRATION OF 2020 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of changes to the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 in relation to elections and seek endorsement to enter into an election arrangement for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections, council polls and constitutional referenda as per s. 296(3) of the Local Government Act 1993).

<b>RESOLVED 20/19</b>	Cr Wrigley/Cr Naden
1. That changes to the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 in relation to local government elections be noted.	
2. That:	
a) pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) ("the Act") that an election arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections of the Council.	
b) pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a council poll arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all council polls of the Council.	
c) pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a constitutional referendum arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all constitutional referenda of the Council.	

(ED.LI.1)

**INLAND RAIL UPDATE**

**SUMMARY**

To provide an update on various issues related to Inland Rail.

**Proceedings in Brief**

Mr Medd provided an update on a request regarding paper roads and it was noted that Council had advised it there are no plans to use any paper or unformed roads in the Shire at this stage however this would be subject to any impact of the final alignment of the inland rail.

<b>RESOLVED 21/19</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Naden
That the report be noted.	

**COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of feedback after advertising for a Business House representative on the Economic Development Committee.

<b>RESOLVED 22/19</b>	Cr Peart/Cr Mudford
1. That Mr Chris Riley be endorsed as a Business House representative on the Economic Development Committee.	
2. That Council note the interest from community members.	

Proceedings in Brief

Mr Medd left the meeting and did not return.

(CS.SV.1)

**GILGANDRA YOUTH SERVICE – PROPOSED ABORIGINAL ELDERS MENTORING PROGRAM**

SUMMARY

To request approval to undertake an Aboriginal Elders Mentoring Program by the Gilgandra Youth Service.

<b>RESOLVED 23/19</b>	Cr Naden/Cr Wrigley
That Council support the creation of an Aboriginal Elders Mentoring Program as outlined in the report.	

Proceedings in Brief

Cr Baker declared an interest and left the meeting at 5.53pm.

(RD.SP.1)

**GRAVEL ROYALTIES**

SUMMARY

To advise of changes to gravel royalty arrangements as requested from the owners of the Old Mill Road quarry.

<b>RESOLVED 24/19</b>	Cr Mockler/Cr Peart
That the rate of gravel royalties paid to landholders be increased to \$1.10/m <sup>3</sup> in the 2019/20 financial year.	

Proceedings in Brief

Cr Baker returned to the meeting at 5.58pm, having taken no part in discussion or voting.

(WS.PL.1)

**SAFE AND SECURE WATER PROGRAM**

SUMMARY

To provide an update on Restart NSW - Safe and Secure Water Program.



<b>RESOLVED 25/19</b>	Cr Johnson/Cr Peart
That the report be noted.	

(WS.DC.1)

### **WATER CONNECTIONS IN THE CBD**

#### **SUMMARY**

To seek direction regarding funding opportunities for property owners on the eastern side of the CBD in Miller Street to move water connections from the front of their properties to the rear.

<b>RESOLVED 26/19</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Johnson
That staff prepare an estimate of the total cost of reconfiguring plumbing of business houses located on the eastern side of Miller Street for consideration in the 2019/20 budget.	

### **MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION**

#### **SUMMARY**

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for consideration and adoption.

Disability Services Committee

5 February 2019

<b>RESOLVED 27/19</b>	Cr Naden/Cr Johnson
That the abovelisted Committee minutes be adopted.	

### **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION**

#### **SUMMARY**

To present reports for information and notation.

<b>RESOLVED 28/19</b>	Cr Walker/Cr Naden
That the reports be noted.	

### **CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **SUMMARY**

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

<b>RESOLVED 29/19</b>	Cr Baker/Cr Mockler
That receipt of the Category B correspondence be noted.	

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The General Manager reminded Councillors that the Chair of LGNSW, Linda Scott, would be visiting Council on 28 February 2019.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.05PM.

Cr D Batten  
Mayor