

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 21 REID STREET, WILCANNIA
ON WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2020**

PRESENT: Administrator, Bob Stewart

IN ATTENDANCE: General Manager, Greg Hill
Director Shire Services, Reece Wilson
Director Business Services, Jacob Philp
Executive Assistant, Jamie Parsons

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was declared open at 9.00am.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

An acknowledgement of the traditional custodians of the land was delivered by the Administrator, Bob Stewart.

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 ORDINARY MEETING – 17 December 2019

Resolved

1. That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 December 2019 be received and confirmed as an accurate record.

Minute Number: 01-01-2020

5.2 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil Reports

6. MAYORAL (ADMINISTRATOR) MINUTE(S)

6.1 ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

2. The embargo that was placed by Minister Pavey was lifted after 3 days. The Administrator submitted a letter of objection.

Minute Number: 02-01-20

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

7.1 CASH AND INVESTMENTS – DECEMBER 2019

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number: 03-01-20

7.2 CASH AND INVESTMENTS – JANUARY 2020

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report

Minute Number: 04-01-20

7.3 REPORT PROGRESS TOWARDS SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES AND OTHER DEBT RECOVERY MEASURES

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report
2. Fair work has been completed for overdue rates. Council have no choice for selling land due to a substantial amount of overdue rates that have been in arrears for five (5) years or longer. There will be implications on the Council Budget. Council will need to increase the provision and budget the surplus. \$944,000 will be affected on the Surplus. Will reduce by \$338,000. The 2021 period will be covered in the next financial year.

Minute Number: 05-01-20

7.4 QUARTLEY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

Resolved

1. Receive the report and;
2. Note that the projected surplus/deficit for the financial year 2019/20 is \$489,000 surplus
3. Note that there are variations for this quarter review.

Minute Number: 06-01-20

7.5 AMENDMENT TO THE FEES AND CHARGES – WHITE CLIFFS OPAL PIONEER CARAVAN PARK

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report
2. Adopt the draft changes to the current fees and charges and place these changes on Public Exhibition for a period of 28 days;
3. Report to Council following completion of the Public Consultation Period on all Submissions

Minute Number: 07-01-20

8. GOVERNANCE REPORTS

8.1 PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR NO SMOKING POLICY

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. Resolve to publicly exhibit the No Smoking Policy for 28 days.

Minute Number: 08-01-20

8.2 PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS POLICY

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Resolve to publicly exhibit the Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy for 28 days.

Minute Number: 09-01-20

8.3 DUAL NAMING THE DARLING RIVER AS BAAKA

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. That a letter be sent to Geographical Name Board (GNB). The letter will address Council's position and raise issues about the dual naming Darling River as "Baaka" with the following comments:
3. Council supports dual naming
4. Council is concerned of the proposed name "Baaka" to be used and request Geographical Names Board to further investigate if the accuracy and the definition is correct.
5. Geographical Names Board to investigate by public consultation what section of the Darling River to be dual named.
6. Geographical Name Board continue to keep Council informed on further progress in the dual naming of the Darling River.

Minute Number: 10-01-20

8.4 CORRESPONDANCE RECEIVED TABLED FOR INFORMATION

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report

Minute Number: 11-01-20

8.5 MEETING AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report

Minute Number: 12-01-20

9. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

Nil Reports

10. SHIRE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 2019 PROPOSED PLANNING PROPOSALS TO AMEND THE CENTRAL DARLING LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2012 PROJECT – PROJECT REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. Receive the three planning proposals
3. Acknowledge the progress of the three planning proposals to amend the Central Darling Local Environmental Plan 2012.
4. Request that the Minister for Planning, Industry and Environment exercise the plan making powers under Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to amend the Central Darling Local Environmental Plan 2012.
5. Acknowledge that the planning proposal for the Wilcannia Heritage Conservation Area and additional heritage items be sent to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment requesting Gateway approval.
6. Acknowledge that the planning proposal for the rezoning of land from residential (R1 zone) to infrastructure (SP1 zone) for Wilcannia Water Supply treatment facility will be submitted to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environmental requesting Gateway approval.
7. Acknowledge that the Planning Proposal to amend the Central Darling Local Environmental Plan 2012, for changes to the Land Use table in relation to Crown Reserve Lots will be submitted to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment requesting Gateway approval.
8. Acknowledge that the Planning Proposals will be submitted to Council and then to the Department for Gateway Approval in late February 2020.

Minute Number: 13-01-20

10.2 2019 CDSC LOCAL STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT – PROGRESS REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

2. Council considers the draft LSPS, and if concurrence place the LSPS on Public Exhibition for comment for a period of 28 days.
3. After consideration of any submissions received during the public consultation period, Council will amend if deemed necessary, and ultimately the LSPS at the following Council meeting in April.

Minute Number: 14-01-20

10.3 2019 CROWN RESERVES PLAN OF MANAGEMENT PROJECT – PROGRESS REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report
2. Acknowledges the progress of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management Project
3. Acknowledges that Stage 2 of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management of the Project has commenced
4. Acknowledge that the community/public consultation period will occur when the Plans of Management for the Crown Reserves have been approved by Council and the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Council Crown Land Management Team. The public consultation is Stage 3 of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management Project
5. The time frame for the completion of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management Project will be depend on the response and approval from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Council Crown Land Management Team.

Minute Number: 15-01-20

10.4 ROADS AND AERODROMES REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number 16-01-20

10.5 WATER AND SEWER UPDATE

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Level 4 Water Restrictions remain in place. Due to recent rainfall, there is an estimated 30,000-50,000ML of total flow due between 10-20 March 2020. Restrictions will be investigated into being lifted once there is water available in the Weir Pool.

Minute Number: 17-01-20

11. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

11.1 MENINDEE FISH HATCHERY MEETING

Resolved

1. Note and receive the report

Minute Number: 18-01-20

12. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

- 12.1 An additional \$216,000 has been funded for Roads and Recovery. Council will endorse additional funding for Bayden Park Road. Council note and receives the report.

Minute Number: 19-01-20

13. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed at 9.30 am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Central Darling Shire Council held on Wednesday, 26 February 2020.

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ADMINISTRATOR