

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 21 REID STREET, WILCANNIA
ON TUESDAY, 17 DECEMBER 2019.**

PRESENT: Administrator, Bob Stewart

IN ATTENDANCE: General Manager, Greg Hill
Director Shire Services, Reece Wilson
Director Business Services, Jacob Philp
Manager Finance, Kevin Smith
Inspections Officer, Geoff Laan
Risk & Work Health Safety Officer, Sharon Brock
Administration, Sharon Leslie
Member of Public, Bill Elliott

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

Resolved

1. That the Disclosures of Interest – Pecuniary and Non – Pecuniary be received and noted.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 ORDINARY MEETING – 27 November 2019

Resolved

1. That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 November 2019 be received and confirmed as an accurate record.

Minute Number: 01-12-19

5.2 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil Reports

6. MAYORAL (ADMINISTRATOR) MINUTE(S)

6.1 ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.
2. The General Manager tabled the following correspondence:
 - Leon Taylor, Executive Director CSNSW Infrastructure advising the closure date is August 2020. After this date, a small number of staff will remain onsite to complete final decommissioning activities. Council has recently provided a submission to the State Government regarding the closure and that repurposing options must be practical and sustainable for the long-term investments, not short-term lease arrangements. This will ensure long term economics and social investments into the Ivanhoe Community and build community capacity. If a solution for repurposing the facility has not been found, Council urges that State Government to keep the facility open until a feasible solution has been found and a contract arrangement has been put in place.
 - The Geographical Names Board is seeking comment from the Central Darling Shire Council on a proposal by the Barkinji Native Title Group Aboriginal Corporation to dual name the Darling River as Baaka, accepting submissions from 18 December 2019 to 28 January 2020. Council is not able to comment about naming until consultation has been completed. Council supports any consultation done by The Geographical Names Board and would like to receive prior to Februarys Council meeting, community comments about proposal to dual naming the Darling River as Baaka, as well, details about the consultation process.

Minute Number: 02-12-19

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

7.1 CASH AND INVESTMENTS-NOVEMBER 2019

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number: 03-12-19

7.2 PRESENTATION OF THE 2018/19 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. Formally present the 2018-2019 Audited Annual Financial Statements and Audit reports to the public in accordance with Section 418 and 419 of the Local Government Act:
3. Note that the 2018-19 Annual Report has been updated based on the finalised Audited Annual Financial Statements.

Minute Number: 04-12-19

8. GOVERNANCE REPORTS

8.1 DROUGHT COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME EXTENSION

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. That Council resolves that the following projects be submitted to Drought Committees Programme Extension for funding:
 - \$150,000 – Minor Community Projects and Grants valued up to \$15K
 - \$150,000 – Street Lighting LED upgrades to all towns
 - \$250,000 – Tilpa Village Bore, (drilling, pump, electrical & pipeline)
 - \$50,000 – Wilcannia Pump Station inlet pumps electrical upgrade
 - \$75,000 – Wilcannia Sewer Pump Stations electrical upgrade
 - \$325,000 – Installation of 5 Bores throughout the Shire for the supply of water for road construction

Minute Number: 05-12-19

8.2 RECENT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED THAT MAY BE A MATTER OF INTEREST

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number: 06-12-19

8.3 ESTABLISHMENT OF PANEL OF CONDUCT REVIEWERS

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. That the following thirteen organisations be appointed to serve on Councils Code of Conduct Review Panel for a period of four years from the date of resolution by Council;
 - Strategic Risk Solution
 - O'Connell Group
 - Centium Group Pty Ltd
 - VCA Services Pty Ltd
 - Nemesis Consultancy Group
 - WEIR Consulting
 - Australian Workplace Training & Investigation

- Train Reaction Pty Ltd
- Workdynamic Australia
- Winton Consulting
- Penulbury Workplace Law Solutions
- BAL Lawyers
- McCollough Robertson

Minute Number: 07-12-19

9. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

Nil

10. SHIRE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 2019 CROWN RESERVES PLAN OF MANAGEMENT PROJECT-OPERATIONAL LAND LOTS AND CROWN RESERVES PLAN OF MANAGEMENT PROJECT-PROGRESS REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. That Council acknowledge the receipt of the letter (3 December 2019) from the Crown Lands Management Team confirming the Crown Reserve Lots approved to be changed from community land classification to operational land.
3. Stage 2 of the Project has commenced where the remaining Crown Reserve Lots categorised as Community Land, will have Plans of Management prepared.
4. The time frames for the completion of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management Project is dependent on the response and approval from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Council Crown Land Management Team, approving the information provided on the Crown Reserve Lots Categorised as community land (expected 30 January 2020).

Minute Number: 08-12-19

10.2 WATER AND SEWER UPDATE

Resolved

1. **Receive and note the report.**

Minute Number: 09-12-19

10.3 SERVICES UPDATE

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number: 10-12-19

10.4 ROADS AND AERODROMES REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number 11-12-19

10.5 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES UPDATE

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number 12-12-19

11. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Nil

12. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

12.1 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS NOMINATIONS 2020

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. That Council Award the following persons/events for the 2020 Australia Day Awards on behalf of the Central Darling Shire Council, with the announcement to be embargoed until Friday 24 January 2020.

Members of the public left the Council Chamber at 9.27am.

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The Council Chamber was reopened to the public at 9.29am.

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 Tuesday, 17 December 2019.

R. K. Hewart

ADMINISTRATOR