

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING  
OF THE MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD ON THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2009 AT 9:10AM

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<b>Present</b>	Mayor Mark O'Brien, Councillors R W Bignell, C J Russell, D M Cook, A McInnerney, Chief Executive Officer Mr C Blanch.	
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Fr Doohan delivered the prayer for the guidance of Council.	
<b>Confirmation of Minutes</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Cook</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Bignell</b>
	"That the minutes of the general meeting held on 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2008 be taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a correct record of the proceedings."	
	<b><u>Carried</u></b>	
	<b><u>GENERAL BUSINESS</u></b>	
<b>Victorian and Queensland Natural Disasters</b>	<b>Moved: Cr O'Brien</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Bignell</b>
	"That Council donates \$10,000.00 to the Premiers flood relief fund and \$10,000.00 to the Red Cross Bushfire appeal on behalf of the residents of the Shire."	
	<b><u>Carried</u></b>	
<b>Attendance</b>	<i>The Director of Corporate Services entered the meeting at 9:40am.</i>	
<b>Finance Report</b>	<b>Moved: Cr McInnerney</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Cook</b>
	"That the financial report be received."	
	<b><u>Carried</u></b>	
<b>Attendance</b>	<i>The Director of Corporate Services exited the meeting at 10:30am.</i>	
<b>Tourism Report</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Cook</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr McInnerney</b>
	"That the Tourism report be received."	
	<b><u>Carried</u></b>	
<b>Library Report</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Bignell</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr McInnerney</b>
	"That the Library reports be received."	
	<b><u>Carried</u></b>	
<b>Meeting Adjourned</b>	<i>The meeting adjourned for morning tea break at 10:40am</i>	
<b>Meeting Resumed</b>	<i>The meeting resumed normal proceedings at 11:08am</i>	
	<i>The Director of Engineering Services was present when the meeting resumed.</i>	
<b>Engineering Reports</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Russell</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr McInnerney</b>
	"That the roads and drainage maintenance and engineering expenditure	

reports be received.”

**Carried**

**Attendance**

*The Director of Engineering Services exited the meeting at 11:55am*

**Review of Local Law & Local Law Policy – Parks and Reserves**

**Moved: Cr McInnerney**

**Seconded: Cr Cook**

“That the law and policy be received for review.”

**Carried**

**Review of Local Laws & Local Law Policy – Commercial Use of Roads**

**Moved: Cr Cook**

**Seconded: Cr Russell**

“That the law and policy be received for review.”

**Carried**

**Review of Local Laws & Local Law Policy – Control of Local Government Premises**

**Moved: Cr Russell**

**Seconded: Cr Bignell**

“That the law and policy be received for review.”

**Carried**

**Local Government Remuneration Report**

Presented for the information of Council.

**Councillor Remuneration**

**Moved: Cr McInnerney**

**Seconded: Cr Cook**

That Council authorise the following payments to Councillors based upon the recommendations of the Local Government remuneration tribunal effective from 01 January 2009:

Mayor

\$69,610.00 remuneration \$2,000.00 telephone allowance

Deputy Mayor

\$37,970.00 remuneration \$1,000.00 telephone allowance

Councillor Bignell

\$31,640.00 remuneration \$1,000.00 telephone allowance

Councillor Russell

\$31,640.00 remuneration \$1,000.00 telephone allowance  
\$3,600.00 travel allowance

Councillor McInnerney

\$31,640.00 remuneration \$1,000.00 telephone allowance  
\$3,600.00 travel allowance

And it be noted that these fees have not been increased from the previous year.

**Carried**

**Excess Water Charges**

**Moved: Cr Cook**

**Seconded: Cr Russell**

“Council as a one-off gesture credit the Woodcraft’s water allocation by 2400 megalitres, in recognition that the broken meter and additional water pressure may have contributed to the problem.

**Carried**

**Renewal of Christmas Cards**

**Moved: Cr McInnerney**

**Seconded: Cr Cook**

“The administration organise a school art competition to choose designs for the Shire Christmas Cards.”

**Carried**

**WORK Committee Representation**

**Moved: Cr Cook**

**Seconded: Cr Russell**

“That John Goodman be nominated as a Council representative to the WORK committee.”

**Carried**

**Application for Conversion to Freehold –Special Lease 10/45686 being Lots 3&4 on A23723 Main Street Augathella– Hooper Projects Pty. Ltd.**

**Moved: Cr McInnerney**

**Seconded: Cr Cook**

“That Council offer no objection to the conversion of the lease (Special Lease 10/45686 being Lots 3&4 on A23723 Main Street Augathella– Hooper Projects Pty. Ltd.) to freehold.”

**Carried**

**Application for Conversion to Freehold –Special Lease 10/52057 being Lot 1 on OR325 Cavanagh Street West – Hooper Projects Pty. Ltd.**

**Moved: Cr Cook**

**Seconded: Cr McInnerney**

That Council offer no objection to the conversion of the lease (Special Lease 10/52057 being Lot 1 on OR325 Cavanagh Street West – Hooper Projects Pty. Ltd.) to freehold.

**Carried**

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<b>Application for Conversion to Freehold –Term Lease 0/231704 Lot 116 on OR343 Main Street Augathella– Hooper Projects Pty. Ltd.</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Russell</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Bignell</b>
	“That Council offer no objection to the conversion of the lease (Term Lease 0/231704 Lot 116 on OR343 Main Street Augathella– Hooper Projects Pty. Ltd.) to freehold.”	
		<b><u>Carried</u></b>
<b>Renewal of Weapons Licence</b>	<b>Moved: Cr McInnerney</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Cook</b>
	“That Council offer no objection to the continued use of the land as a smallbore rifle range and has no objection to the Charleville Gun Club conducting clay target shooting on its land.”	
		<b><u>Carried</u></b>
<b>2009 Ergon Energy Tidy Towns Competition</b>	<b>Moved: Cr McInnerney</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Russell</b>
	“That Charleville, Morven and Augathella townships be nominated for the 2009 Tidy Towns Competition.”	
		<b><u>Carried</u></b>
<b>Grey Nomad Workers</b>	The matter will be kept under review.	
<b>Covered Sports Area – Charleville State School</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Cook</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr McInnerney</b>
	“That the Chief Executive Officer’s actions in confirming Councils contribution of \$100,000.00 be confirmed.”	
		<b><u>Carried</u></b>
<b>Spinal Injury Benefits Cover</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Cook</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Bignell</b>
	“That Council participate in the scheme to the value of \$6960.00.”	
		<b><u>Carried</u></b>
<b>Charleville Camp Accommodation</b>	<b>Moved: Cr Russell</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr McInnerney</b>
	“That the tenders from Ausco and ASP be shortlisted and the administration and consultants negotiate further for the best deal.”	
		<b><u>Carried</u></b>

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**Town Streets and  
Rural Road  
Budget**

**Moved: Cr McInnerney**

**Seconded: Cr Cook**

“That \$300,000.00 be transferred from the current budget allocations from rural roads to town streets.”

**Carried**

**Plant Purchases  
2008/2009**

**Moved: Cr McInnerney**

**Seconded: Cr Russell**

“That Council accept the tender of Vanderfield Hino for supply of two trucks for \$611,242.00 less trade of \$40,000.00 for plant item 129 for a balance of \$571,242.00 to be paid over the current and next financial year.”

**Carried**

**Request for  
Parking Allocation**

**Moved: Cr Cook**

**Seconded: Cr McInnerney**

“That Council advise Mr and Mrs Rigby that whilst their difficulties for parking in the immediate area of their shop are understood by Council, Council is not able to accede to their request for marked parking areas adjacent to their shop and residence.”

**Intersection of  
Wellwater and  
Erbacher Road**

**Moved: Cr Cook**

**Seconded: Cr Russell**

“That the proposed plans be scheduled in the works programme.”

**Carried**

**Meeting Closed**

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 1:46pm.

**Councillor Mark O’Brien  
MAYOR**