



Ordinary Council Meeting

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville

Wednesday, 15 May 2024

9:00AM



The Charleville Story Board Project (Charleville Library) is currently being installed at Graham Andrews Park

**MINUTES OF MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 95-101 ALFRED ST, CHARLEVILLE
ON WEDNESDAY, 15 MAY 2024 AT 9:00AM**

PRESENT: Cr S Radnedge (Mayor), Cr R Eckel, Cr P Alexander, Cr T Sommerfield, Cr M Ebsworth

IN ATTENDANCE: B Scott (CEO), R Ranson (Director Community & Health Services), J Kronk (Director Corporate Services), J Barton (Director Engineering Services), T Ortiz (Accountant)

1 OPENING PRAYER

Justin Kronk delivered the prayer for the guidance of Council.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies - Nil

Leave of Absence - Nil

Applications for Leave of Absence - Nil

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 084/24

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 18 April 2024 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Action: Issue a media release regarding the sponsorship of vaccinations (Q Fever) for students undertaking work experience.

5 MAYORAL MINUTE

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RESOLUTION 085/24

MOVED: CR TS SOMMERFIELD

SECONDED: CR P ALEXANDER

THAT COUNCIL APPOINT MR BRUCE SCOTT OAM TO THE ROLE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER EFFECTIVE FROM 3 JUNE 2024 FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF A FURTHER SIX MONTH EXTENSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH S194 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2009.

CARRIED

6 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

7 CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION

7.1 FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCILLORS
Discussed and noted.

8 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

9 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

10 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES

10.1 APRIL MONTHLY LIBRARY REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 086/24 Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth That Council receives and notes the Charleville Library Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.2 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 087/24 Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth That Council receives and notes the Community and Health Services Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.3 REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP - WARREGO CAMPDRAFT ASSOCIATION
<p>RESOLUTION 088/24 Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield That Council provides sponsorship to the value of \$500 in addition to agreed council Community Assistance.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.4 QCWA CHARLEVILLE BRANCH 100 YEAR CELEBRATIONS**RESOLUTION 089/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
 Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council support the Queensland Country Womens Association (QCWA) Charleville Branch 100 Year Birthday celebrations with the donation of a park bench and 3 plaques recognising the incredible contribution that the QCWA Charleville Branch has made to the communities of Murweh Shire during their past 100 years and continuing.

CARRIED**11 CORPORATE & REGULATORY****11.1 GOV-003 STANDING ORDERS FOR COUNCIL MEETING INCLUDING STANDING COMMITTEES 'BEST PRACTICE GUIDE'.****RESOLUTION 090/24**

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council adopt the model meeting procedures and best practice Standing Orders as prescribed in the *Local Government Act 2009*, and published on the Department of State Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Work's website.

CARRIED**11.2 GOV-008 INVESTIGATION POLICY UPDATE****RESOLUTION 091/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council update its Investigation Policy – GOV 008 in accordance with amendments to *the Local Government (Councillor Conduct) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2023*, and published on the Department of State Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Work's website.

CARRIED**11.3 ANNUAL AERODROME LANDING FEE WAIVER****RESOLUTION 092/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
 Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council

1. Refuse the request from Little Wings to waive the landing fees at the Charleville Aerodrome as Council supports two other medical flight services; and

2. Review the use of this medical flight service in May 2025 in consultation with the Director of Nursing or Nursing Unit Manager at the Charleville Hospital, to ascertain the number of flights this service has provided Murweh Shire residents over the twelve month period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

CARRIED

11.4 REGULATORY SERVICES - APRIL

RESOLUTION 093/24

Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council receives and notes the Regulatory Services Report.

CARRIED

Action: Request a report from Regulatory Services regarding the Baiting Program.

11.5 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

RESOLUTION 094/24

Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council receives and notes the Human Resources Report.

CARRIED

11.6 WORK, HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT

RESOLUTION 095/24

Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council receives and notes the report from the Work, Health and Safety section.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for a morning tea break at 10:28 AM.

The meeting resumed normal proceedings at 10:58 AM.

11.7 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT

RESOLUTION 096/24

Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 30 April 2024 including;

1. Cash Position

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Monthly Cash Flow Estimate 3. Comparative Data 4. Capital Funding – budget V’s actual 5. Road Works – budget V’s actual 6. Capital Funding Detail 7. Rates Summary 8. Income Statement April 2024 9. Balance Sheet April 2024 10. Financial Statements Actual April 2024 | CARRIED |
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With Council permission the meeting moved item 16 on the agenda forward for discussion whilst the Director of Corporate Services and Accountant were present.

16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

<p>RESOLUTION 097/24 MOVED: CR R ECKEL SECONDED: CR M EBSWORTH</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL CONSIDERS THE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT(S) LISTED BELOW IN A MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 254J OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS 2012: <i>16.1 SECOND BUDGET REVIEW 2023-2024</i> THIS MATTER IS CONSIDERED TO BE CONFIDENTIAL UNDER SECTION 254J (3) (C) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS, AND THE COUNCIL IS SATISFIED THAT DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD, ON BALANCE, BE CONTRARY TO THE PUBLIC INTEREST AS IT DEALS WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT’S BUDGET.</p>	CARRIED
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<p>RESOLUTION 098/24 MOVED: CR T SOMMERFIELD SECONDED: CR M EBSWORTH</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL MOVES OUT OF CLOSED COUNCIL INTO OPEN COUNCIL.</p>	CARRIED
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16.1 SECOND BUDGET REVIEW 2023-2024	
<p>RESOLUTION 099/24 MOVED: CR M EBSWORTH SECONDED: CR P ALEXANDER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE SECOND BUDGET REVIEW 2023-24 AS PRESENTED, • THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE REVISED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-2026, • THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE 10-YEAR REVISED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-2033. 	CARRIED

COUNCIL RESUMED THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA.

12 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Nil

13 ENGINEERING SERVICES

13.1 ENGINEERING REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 100/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr M Ebsworth Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Engineering Services Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

Action: Council to undertake septic tank inspections in Morven to investigate the need for pumping out, and that a notice of Council’s intentions be send to Morven residents prior to this activity commencing.

TRUCK STOP FACILITIES
<p>RESOLUTION 101/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Alexander</p> <p>That Council approach the Department of Transport and Main Roads regarding the lack of public toilets at the truck stop on the intersection of the Diamantina Development Rd 93A and Mitchell Highway 23C.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

13.2 MAINTENANCE OF UNFORMED OR UNMADE ROADS POLICY
<p>RESOLUTION 102/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth</p> <p>That Council adopts the Maintenance of Unformed or Unmade Roads Policy as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

13 OFFICE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

14.1 TOURISM REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 103/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Tourism Report ending the month of April 2024.</p>

CARRIED

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION 104/24
 Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
 Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That a Tourism, Events & Marketing Advisory Committee be formed with representation from Councillors and Council staff with a terms of reference be developed.

CARRIED

14.2 MAYORS ACTIVITY REPORT

RESOLUTION 105/24
 Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr ME Ebsworth

That Council approves the Mayor’s travel as presented and notes the Mayor’s Monthly Meeting Schedule Report.

CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF SECOND REPRESENTATIVE TO SOUTH WEST QUEENSLAND REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (SWQROC)

RESOLUTION 106/24
 Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council appoints the Deputy Mayor, Cr P Alexander to be the second representative for Murweh Shire Council to South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWROC).

CARRIED

14.3 COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) AND THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION 107/24
 Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
 Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council nominates, the Chief Executive Officer, the Director of Engineering Services, the Mayor, Cr S Radnedge, and Cr R Eckel to the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC).

2. That Council approves the Draft Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) Terms of Reference as presented.

CARRIED

14 CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

Nil

15 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.17PM.