



Ordinary Council Meeting

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville

Thursday, 16 November 2023



New Shed at the S.E.S. Headquarters, Charleville

**MINUTES OF MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 95-101 ALFRED ST, CHARLEVILLE
ON THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 1:00PM**

PRESENT: Cr S Radnedge (Mayor), Cr R Eckel (Deputy Mayor), Cr P Alexander, Cr M McKellar, Cr P Taylor

IN ATTENDANCE: B Scott (Interim CEO), J Kronk (Director Corporate & Regulatory Services), R Ranson (Director Community & Health Services), J Nicholson (Director Economic Development), C Alexander (Contract Accountant), P Duncan (Interim Director Engineering Services), K Crosby (Manager, Regulatory Services), A Evans (Tourism Manager),

1 OPENING PRAYER

Fr Peter 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

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 268/23

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 20 October 2023 be taken as read with the correction below, confirmed and signed as a correct record of proceedings.

With Resolution 241/23 to read "That Council resolves to put 53 Edward Street, Charleville for sale by tender or auction after all residents are successfully relocated."

CARRIED

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

5 MAYORAL MINUTE

5.1 QMF PROPOSAL 2024

RESOLUTION 269/23

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr M McKellar

1. That Council accepts the proposal from QMF to the maximum value of \$30,000 (cash and in-kind) with any overspend to be invoiced to QMF; and

2. The contribution by Murweh Shire Council is contingent on the artist entertainment line up being confirmed and acceptable to Council.

CARRIED

6 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

7 CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION

7.1 CORRESPONDENCE FROM OCTOBER FOR INFORMATION

Noted

8 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

9 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

10 CORPORATE & REGULATORY

10.1 WORK HEALTH SAFETY REPORT

RESOLUTION 270/23

Moved: Cr P Taylor

Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council receives and notes the Work Health & Safety Report.

.CARRIED

10.2 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

RESOLUTION 271/23

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council receives and notes the Human Resources Report.

CARRIED

10.3 DARLING DOWNS AND SOUTH WEST WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

RESOLUTION 272/23

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council

1. Adopt the Darling Downs and South West Waste Plan as a guide for future waste management practices within the Murweh Region; and

2. Write to Toowoomba Regional Council Waste Services advising that Council has adopted the draft Darling Downs and South West Waste Plan, and congratulate all participating Councils on its development over the past four years.

CARRIED

10.4 REGULATORY SERVICES REPORT

RESOLUTION 273/23

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council receives and notes the Regulatory Services Manager's Report.

CARRIED

10.5 FINANCE REPORT, ENDING 31 OCTOBER 2023

RESOLUTION 274/23

Moved: Cr P Taylor

Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council receives and notes the Finance Report for the period ending 31 October 2023 including;

1. Cash Position
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 October 2023
9. Balance Sheet October 2023
10. Financial Statements Actual October 2023

CARRIED

10.6 ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23 & SIGNED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2022-23

RESOLUTION 275/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar

Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council adopt the Annual Report 2022-23 including the signed Financial Statements for 2022-23 Financial Year.

Council extended a vote of thanks to the Accountant for the work undertaken in preparation of the Annual Report.

.CARRIED
10.7 INTERNAL AUDITOR - EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT 2023-2026
<p>RESOLUTION 276/23 Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council approve the extension of Crowe Horwath internal audit services for three years effective 2023 to 2026.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.8 AUGATHELLA STATE SCHOOL - DONATION SWIMMING POOL
<p>RESOLUTION 277/23 Moved: Cr S Radnedge</p> <p>Under Section 14.1 of the Standing Orders, that the matter will lay on the table until further information is received.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.9 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 4-8 WILLS STREET CHARLEVILLE
<p>RESOLUTION 278/23 Moved: Cr M McKellar Seconded: Cr P Taylor</p> <p>That Council approve the Development application submitted by SWEP Consulting on behalf of Jonesmore Pty Ltd to convert the top floor of premises located at 4-8 Wills Street Charleville into multiple dwellings on the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The applicant fulfills Council’s requirement for an Infrastructure Agreement for five (5) car parking sites, in lieu of on-site parking – Resolution 239/23 general meeting of Council held on 21 September 2023; and 2. Two (2) disabled car parking spaces be provided on site; and 3. Four (4) car parking spaces be provided for public use on land owned by Jonesmore Pty Ltd on land described as Lot 1 on RP105189 located at 1 Wills Street Charleville. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

At 3:46 PM, Cr Shaun (Zoro) Radnedge left the meeting.

At 3:47 PM, Cr Shaun (Zoro) Radnedge returned to the meeting.

10.10 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION MORVEN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
<p>RESOLUTION 279/23 Moved: Cr P Alexander</p>

<p>Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council provide a contribution of Three Hundred dollars to the Morven Progress Association for their annual Morven Christmas Light competition in December 2023.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p>RESOLUTION 280/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Alexander</p> <p>RESOLUTION</p> <p>That Council offers sponsorship of \$1000.00 (Gold Sponsorship) to the Warrego Campdraft New Years Rodeo.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

11 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

<p>11.1 TOURISM AND EVENTS REPORT</p>
<p>RESOLUTION 281/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr M McKellar Seconded: Cr P Taylor</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Tourism and Events Report</p> <p style="text-align: right;">.CARRIED</p>
<p>11.2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY REPORT</p>
<p>RESOLUTION 282/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Economic Development Report</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

12 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES

<p>12.1 MONTHLY LIBRARY REPORT OCTOBER</p>
<p>RESOLUTION 283/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Taylor</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Library Report for the month of October.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

12.2 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 284/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Community and Health Services Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

13 ENGINEERING SERVICES

13.1 CLASS 2 VEHICLE ROUTE
<p>RESOLUTION 285/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council agree to the request to add Class 2 Vehicle Routes on the following roads, with the proviso that type 2 vehicles have a speed limit of 80km:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adavale Road (Charleville to Adavale, entire length) 2. Langlo Mount Morris Road (Langlo entire length) 3. Biddenham Road (Ward to Augathella, entire length) 4. Mount Tabor Road (Warrego to Caroline Crossing, entire length) 5. Khyber Road (Nive to Upper Warrego, entire length) 6. Clara Creek Road (Clara Creek, entire length) 7. Killarney Road (Caroline Crossing to Morven, entire length). <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

13.2 WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY REVIEW
<p>RESOLUTION 286/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr P Taylor</p> <p>That Council approves the Workplace Health and Safety Policies as tabled;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WH&S Statement • Council Involvement in Fire Emergencies • Heat Stress <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

13.3 ENGINEERING REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 287/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr M McKellar</p>

Seconded: Cr P Taylor
 That Council receives and notes the Engineering Report.

.CARRIED

14 CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

Nil

15 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 288/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar
 Seconded: Cr P Taylor

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 Regulation 2012:

15.1 Tender LL1. 23-24 Low Loader Quad Axle Float

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(1)(3)(e) of the Local Government Regulation, 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 legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government;.

15.2 Airport Reporting Officer

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(1)(3)(b) of the Local Government Regulation, 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 industrial matters affecting employees.

15.3 Aurora Estate

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(1)(3)(i) of the Local Government Regulation, 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 a matter the local government is required to keep confidential under a law of, or formal arrangement with, the Commonwealth or a State.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 289/23

Moved: Cr P Taylor
 Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

15.1 TENDER LL1. 23-24 LOW LOADER QUAD AXLE FLOAT

RESOLUTION 290/23

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council approve the tender from The Drake Group to purchase the Drake Full Widener Quad Axle Float for the total value of \$ 431,358.00 (Excl. GST)

.CARRIED

15.2 AIRPORT REPORTING OFFICER

RESOLUTION 291/23

Moved: Cr P Taylor

Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council amend the current organisational structure to allow for a second full time Airport Reporting Officer, who will work on a roster basis eliminating the need for the engagement of casual airport reporting officers.

CARRIED

15.3 AURORA ESTATE

RESOLUTION 292/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar

Seconded: Cr P Alexander

Under Section 236(1)(b)(i) of the Local Government Regulation - that Council enter negotiations with Government Employee Housing (GEH) for the purchase from Murweh Shire Council of Lots 51 & 176 Racecourse Road, Lots 167 & 168 High Street, Charleville based on the formal independent valuation provided by GEH.

CARRIED

16 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 4:40pm.