

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ON FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 9:00AM

Present	Mayor Shaun Radnedge, Cr Robert Eckel, Cr Peter Alexander, Cr Michael McKellar, Cr Paul Taylor, Jamie Gorry A Chief Executive Officer	
Opening Prayer	Fr Padilla delivered the prayer for the guidance of Council.	
Minutes of Previous Council Meeting	Moved: Cr Alexander	Seconded: Cr Taylor
	"That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 18 August be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a correct record of proceedings."	
	<u>Carried</u>	
Attendance	The Contract Accountant and Director Community and Health Services were present when the meeting commenced.	
Financial Report	Moved: Cr McKellar	Seconded: Cr Eckel
	"That the Financial Report be received."	
	<u>Carried</u>	
Close Meeting to the Public	Moved: Cr Alexander	Seconded: Cr Taylor
	"That pursuant to Local Government Regulation 2012 - REG 254J Council close the meeting to the public to discuss matters involving the local government's budget and negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government."	
	<u>Carried</u>	
Resume Normal Proceedings	Moved: Cr McKellar	Seconded: Cr Taylor
	"That the meeting move out of closed committee and resume normal proceedings."	
	<u>Carried</u>	
Draft Financial Statements 2021-2022	Moved: Cr McKellar	Seconded: Cr Eckel
	"1. Council's draft Annual Financial Statements for 2021/22 (including general purpose financial statements and current year financial sustainability statement) be endorsed for presenting to the Auditor-General for auditing pursuant to section 212 of the Local Government Regulation 2012. 2. Council's draft Long Term Financial Sustainability Statement for 2021/22 be given to the Auditor-General for information."	
	<u>Carried</u>	

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Attendance	The Contract Accountant exited the meeting at 10:05am.	
Human Resources Report	Moved: Cr Alexander	Seconded: Cr Taylor
	"That the Human Resources report be received."	
		<u>Carried</u>
WH&S Report	Moved: Cr Taylor	Seconded: Cr McKellar
	"That the Workplace Health and Safety Report be received."	
		<u>Carried</u>
Environmental Health, Local Laws and Stock Routes	Moved: Cr McKellar	Seconded: Cr Eckel
	"That the report from Environmental Health, Local Laws and Stock Routes be received."	
		<u>Carried</u>
Meeting Adjourned	The meeting adjourned for a morning tea break at 10:30am.	
Meeting Resumed	The meeting resumed at 10:53am.	
Attendance	The Director of Community and Health Services was present when the meeting resumed.	
Mayoral Minute – CEO Recruitment Process	Moved: Cr Alexander	Seconded: Cr Eckel
	"That based on professional advice received from LGAQ, Council resolves to undertake the following four (4) Stage process, to initiate the recruitment for Murweh Shire Council's new Chief Executive Officer:	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Council commences the process for the recruitment of its next Chief Executive Officer. (2) Pursuant to section 257 of the Act the Mayor be delegated Council's powers under section 262 of the Act, to negotiate and enter a contract with an appropriate consultant/recruitment agency (or agencies), in accordance with Council's Procurement Policy, for the provision of a recruitment service. This service is to include the advertising, screening, reference checking, co-ordination of interviews and development of a draft contract of employment for the position. (3) As part of this recruitment process, all councillors will be involved in:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reviewing all applications. b. Shortlisting preferred applicants. 	

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- c. Interviewing short listed applicants.
- d. Formulating the performance standards, required by section 194(4) of the Act, to be included in the contract of employment of the Chief Executive Officer and
- e. Formulating the final recommendation for a preferred candidate for the position.

(4) Following the appointment by resolution of Council of the Chief Executive Officer, the Mayor be delegated, pursuant to section 257 of the Act, Council's power pursuant to section 262 of the Act to negotiate the final terms of contract of employment with the successful applicant for the position."

Carried

**Community &
Health Services
Report**

Moved: Cr Eckel

Seconded: Cr Taylor

"That the report from Community and Health Services and Charleville Library be received."

Carried

**Augathella Truck
Wash -
Temporary
Closure**

Moved: Cr Radnedge

Seconded: Cr Taylor

"That the Augathella Truck Wash be temporarily closed until funding can be accessed for upgrades to address compliance issues raised by the Department of Environment and Science."

Carried

**Recommendation
For New Sewage
Treatment Plant
in Augathella**

Moved: Cr Alexander

Seconded: Cr Eckel

"That Council accepts the SMEC recommendation for a moving bed anaerobic filter at Augathella."

Carried

Attendance

The Director Community and Health Services exited the meeting at 12:02am.

Council's Senior Supervisor entered the meeting at 12:04am.

Tourism Reports

Moved: Cr Alexander

Seconded: Cr Taylor

"That the reports from the Tourism section (Visitor Information, WWII and Cosmos Centre) be received."

Carried

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Engineering Report	Moved: Cr McKellar	Seconded: Cr Eckel
	“That the Engineering Services Report be received.”	
		<u>Carried</u>
Tender MTR1. 22-23 - 1 x Multi Tyre Roller Replacement	Moved: Cr Alexander	Seconded: Cr Taylor
	“That Council approve the purchase of the Caterpillar CW34 for the total value of \$233,000 (excl. GST).”	
		<u>Carried</u>
Attendance	Council’s Senior Supervisor exited the meeting at 12:56pm.	
MSC Christmas Shutdown & Staff Christmas Party	Moved: Cr Taylor	Seconded: Cr Eckel
	“That Council offices and outside staff will close over Christmas from Thursday 22 December 2022 and reopen on Tuesday 3 January 2023.”	
		<u>Carried</u>
Change of Council Meeting Date – October	Moved: Cr McKellar	Seconded: Cr Taylor
	“That due to prior commitments the general Council Meeting for October be rescheduled from Thursday 20 th to Friday 21 st October 2022.”	
		<u>Carried</u>
Request or Assistance – Augathella Swimming Carnival	Moved: Cr Eckel	Seconded: Cr McKellar
	“That Council provides assistance by way of a donation of \$900.00 (Ex-GST) to the Aqua Ants Swimming Club Inc. to cover the cost of medals and trophies for the annual swimming carnival to be held on 5th November 2022.”	
		<u>Carried</u>
Sale of Vacant Land Augathella	Moved: Cr McKellar	Seconded: Cr Alexander
	“That pursuant to section 236 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council dispose of land described as L41/A2374 and located at 108-110 Nelson Street, Augathella and further delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate sale price.”	
		<u>Carried</u>

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**Sale Of Vacant
Land Through
Public Tender**

Moved: Cr Alexander

Seconded: Cr McKellar

“1. That pursuant to section 228 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate contracts of sale; and

2. That pursuant to section 236(1)(a)(i) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council dispose of the remaining land through a local real estate agents where no tenders were received.”

Carried

Meeting Close

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 1:11pm.

Cr Shaun Radnedge
Mayor