



Etheridge Shire Council

CONFIRMED MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING OF
ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY 18 MAY 2022
COMMENCING AT 9.00AM



ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GEORGETOWN
ON WEDNESDAY 18TH MAY 2022
COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

ATTENDANCE

Crs, Barry Hughes, Laurell Royes, Cameron Barns, Joe Haase and Tony Gallagher

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mr. Ken Timms, Chief Executive Officer
Mr. David Fletcher, Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Andrew McKenzie, Director of Corporate Services
Miss Logan Bethel, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer

GALLERY

The Chair declared the meeting open at 9.00am and welcomed all in attendance.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land and pay our respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the history, cultural practice and traditions, of their people."

PRAYER

"We ask that today you give us wisdom to make good decisions to benefit our communities. Help us see what will benefit our shire and give us hearts to serve others. Amen".

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Royes declared a prescribed interest to items pertaining to a contractor displaying inappropriate signage on their item of plant while on council site. Cr Royes will leave the meeting during discussions on this matter and will not vote.

Cr Gallagher declared a declarable interest to items pertaining to a contractor displaying inappropriate signage on their item of plant while on council site. Cr Gallagher will leave the meeting during discussions on this matter and will not vote.

APOLOGIES, CONDOLENCES & CONGRATULATIONS

Council would like to send their condolences to the friends and family of Don Woodhouse.

Council would like to send their condolences to the friends and family of Gail Randall.

Council would like to send their condolences to the friends and family of Michael (Lofty) Lucas.

Council would like to congratulate Clayton Pedracini and Amahlia Tyson on the birth of their daughter, Masie May Pedracini.

Council would like to congratulate David Wallace and Kerry McDonald on the birth of their daughter Kiraleah Wallace.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Corrections:

Nil

RESOLUTION:

That the Minutes of the General Council Meeting held at Georgetown on Wednesday 20 April 2022 be confirmed.

MOVED: Cr. Royes

SECONDED: Cr. Barns

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #22.05.01
5/0

BUSINESS ARISING FROM GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Cr Barns- 22.04.09, RADF Advisory Committee, Requested an update.

CONSIDERATION OF OPEN REPORTS

DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

Briefing Report

RESOLUTION

That Council acknowledges and receives the Director of Corporate and Community Services' Briefing Report.

MOVED: Barns

SECONDED: Cr. Gallagher

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #22.05.02 DCS
5/0

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Financial Performance (Actual v Budget) for the period 1st July 2021 to 31st April

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires the Chief Executive Officer to present a Financial Report of its accounts to the Local Government at least monthly.

RESOLUTION

That Council pursuant Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, resolve to adopt the monthly Financial Report the period ending 30th April 2022, as presented.

MOVED: Cr. Barns

SECONDED: Cr. Gallagher

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #22.05.03 DCS
5/0

CONSIDERATION OF OPEN REPORTS

DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

Briefing Report

RESOLUTION

That Council acknowledges and receives the Director of Engineering Services' Briefing Report.

MOVED: Cr. Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr. Barns

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #22.05.04 DCS
4/0

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourn for morning tea at 10.10am

RESUMPTION

Council resumed the meeting at 10.25am.

ATTENDANCE

Cr Royes declared a prescribed interest and left the meeting at 10.49am.

Cr Gallagher declared declarable interest and left the meeting at 10.49am.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council discussed the inappropriate signage on a truck belonging to a contractor working on a Council project. Having the signage on a Council site is in conflict with Councils "Code of Conduct".

RESOLUTION

That Council take the necessary action to either have the inappropriate signage removed from the Bolwarra Enterprises Truck whilst it is working for Council or the truck be removed from same.

MOVED: Cr. Hughes

SECONDED: Cr. Haase

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #22.05.05 DES
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ATTENDANCE

Cr Royes returned to the meeting at 11.08am.

Cr Gallagher returned to the meeting at 11.08am.

Cr Barns left the meeting at 11.31am and returned at 11.36am.

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Forsyth All Sports Centre Upgrade

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received a request from the Forsyth All Sports Club to carry out earthworks and associated works at the Forsyth facility.

RESOLUTION

That Council resolves to:

1. Carry out the fence line clearing and fire break clearing from the Forsayth Rural Fire Donation.
2. Advise the Forsayth All sports Club that Council will shortly be calling for applications for the 2022/23 financial year, from community organisations seeking Grants, Sponsorship and / or In-kind support from Council, and that their application would be welcomed at that time for the funding of the arena area and the expansion of the camping area.
3. Carry out the new road access off the Einasleigh Road funded from the road maintenance budget.

MOVED: Cr. Haase

SECONDED: Cr. Barns

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #22.05.06 DES
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ATTENDANCE

Mr Andrew McKenzie left the meeting at 11.49am and returned at 11.51am.

Mr David Fletcher left the meeting at 12.09pm and returned at 12.10pm.

CONSIDERATION OF OPEN REPORTS

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Briefing Report

RESOLUTION

That Council acknowledges and receives the Chief Executive Officer's Briefing Report.

MOVED: Cr. Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr. Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #22.05.07 CEO
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ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourn for lunch at 12.41pm.

RESUMPTION

Council resumed the meeting at 1.08pm.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Gallagher

- Work on medical centre at Oasis such as pathway and shade on western side and ease of entrance from shed to clinic.

Cr Barns

- Opening maintenance grade around the shire roads.
- Update of Forsayth transfer station.

Cr Haase

Nil

Cr Royes

- Grants Officer (incorporated into another pre-existing role?) (or a position funded via grant)
- Protocol developed to ensure road safety on State Roads (non- council controlled) specifically relating to significant public events within the Shire.
- Mosquito Eradication/control in Georgetown.

Cr Hughes

- General Meeting start time discussion.

CONCLUSION

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 1.53pm.

These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday the 15th June 2022.

B. C. Hughes
MAYOR

22.1.6.2022
DATE