



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**19 March 2019**

**MINUTES OF NARRANDERA SHIRE COUNCIL  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ON TUESDAY, 19 MARCH 2019 AT 2PM**

The Mayor declared the meeting opened at **2.05pm** and welcomed the Councillors, Staff, Media and Members of the Gallery.

**1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

*I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to their people both past and present and extend that respect to other Aboriginal Australians who are present*

**2 HOUSE KEEPING**

*Advice provided of Council's Work, Health and Safety (WHS) Evacuation Plan and location of the Amenities.*

**3 DISCLOSURE OF POLITICAL DONATIONS**

Advice provided to those present, of the legislative requirement for Disclosure of Political Donations:

*The Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Section 147 requires a person submitting planning applications or submissions regarding a planning application, to disclose any reportable political donation and/or gifts to any local Councillor or employee of Council. Reportable political donations include those of, or above, \$1,000. The Disclosure Statement forms are available on Councils website or from the Customer Service Centre and must be lodged in accordance with the Act.*

*There were no Disclosure of Political Donations received by the Chairperson.*

**4 PRESENT**

Cr Neville Kschenka, Cr David Fahey OAM, Cr Narelle Payne, Cr Kevin Morris, Cr Tracey Lewis, Cr Wesley Hall, Cr Tammy Galvin, Cr Barbara Bryon, Cr Jenny Clarke OAM

**In Attendance**

Julian Geddes (Deputy General Manager Infrastructure), Martin Hiscox (Deputy General Manager Corporate & Community), George Cowan (General Manager), Edwina Foley (Communications Officer) Sarah Light (Administration Officer) Vicki Maher (Minute Taker),

**5 APOLOGIES**

Nil

**6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cr Neville Kschenka declared a Non Pecuniary Significant Interest in Item 16.1 under the Local Government Act as “I am President of “Rockin on East. ROE is recommended to receive \$250 from Financial Assistance Funding” and will leave the meeting during discussion and voting.

Cr Neville Kschenka declared a Non Pecuniary Significant Interest in Item 16.3 under the Local Government Act as “My business is a potential supplier of additional equipment and supplied the existing equipment that will be used to enable Web Casting” and will remain and take part in discussion and voting.

Cr Neville Kschenka declared a Non Pecuniary Significant Interest in Item 19.2 under the Local Government Act as “I am the owner of a property that received water damage from overland flow in 2012 and a close family member owns a property at Nallabooma that has previously been affected” and will leave the meeting during discussion and voting.

Cr David Fahey OAM declared a Pecuniary Interest in Item 19.2 under the Local Government Act as “Family owns property affected” and will leave the meeting during discussion and voting.

Cr Tammy Galvin declared a Pecuniary Interest in Item 19.2 under the Local Government Act as “I have a house located in the residential area of the Flood Study Area- 9 Chantilly Street. I am here to represent the rate payers of the impacted Gillenbah Village and directly north of the Murrumbidgee River” and will remain and take part in discussion and voting.

Cr Tracey Lewis declared a Non Pecuniary Non Significant Interest in Item 19.2 under the Local Government Act as “My home is 19 Lake Drive (area impacted by flood study). I am choosing to stay and vote as I think it important to the broader community and I don't ever see my property being affected” and will remain and take part in discussion and voting.

Cr Barbara Bryon declared a Non Pecuniary Non Significant Interest in Item 19.2 under the Local Government Act as “Nallabooma resident. Nallabooma is subject to overland flooding” and will remain and take part in discussion and voting.

Mayor Kschenka acknowledged of Mr Ron O'Keeffe who passed recently. Ron was an ex Council staff member and later a Narrandera Shire Councillor. Condolences were passed on to Ron's wife Norma and his family.

**7 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

**8 PRESENTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC**

Nil

**ITEM 19.2 FORWARD****RESOLUTION 19/047**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Tammy Galvin

That Item 19.2 be brought forward in the Agenda prior to Presentations as there are a lot of community members in the Gallery to hear outcome of this report.

**CARRIED**

At 2:09 pm, Cr Neville Kschenka and Cr David Fahey OAM, after earlier declaring Interests in Item 19.2, vacated the Chambers during discussions and voting on the matter.

Cr Clarke assumed Mayoral Chair and concenses by Councillors that each part of the recommendation be considered separately.

**19.2 REVIEW OF NARRANDERA FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT STUDY AND PLAN****RESOLUTION 19/048**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Wesley Hall

That Council

1. Adopt the Draft Review of the Narrandera Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan. Measures set out in Table S1 of the report.

In Favour: Crs Narelle Payne, Kevin Morris, Wesley Hall, Tammy Galvin, Barbara Bryon and Jenny Clarke OAM

Against: Cr Tracey Lewis

**6/1 CARRIED****MOTION**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Kevin Morris

That Council:

2. Commence a detailed review of planning controls relating to flooding noting the measures in the study and plan.

In Favour: Crs Narelle Payne, Kevin Morris and Barbara Bryon

Against: Crs Tracey Lewis, Wesley Hall, Tammy Galvin and Jenny Clarke OAM

**LOST 3/4**

**RESOLUTION 19/049**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Barbara Bryon

That Council:

3. Apply for funding under the 2019/20 Flood Management Program to progress the following high priority measures identified in the Flood Risk Management Plan 2019:

a) Measure 9 - Investigation and concept design of Detention Basin Strategy

**CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION 19/050**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Barbara Bryon

b) Measure 5 - Investigation to assess requirements for upgrading the Southern Main Canal Embankment

**CARRIED**

**MOTION**

Moved: Cr Kevin Morris

Seconded: Cr Barbara Bryon

c) Measure 11

Commission a Voluntary Purchase and House Raising Feasibility Study for properties identified as being subject to hazardous flooding.

In Favour: Crs Kevin Morris and Barbara Bryon

Against: Crs Narelle Payne, Tracey Lewis, Wesley Hall, Tammy Galvin and Jenny Clarke OAM

**LOST 2/5**

At 2:44 pm, Cr Neville Kschenka and Cr David Fahey OAM returned to the meeting and Cr Clarke vacated the Mayoral Chair

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**RESOLUTION 19/051**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Barbara Bryon

A motion was moved that Council suspend standing orders.

**CARRIED**

## **9 PRESENTATIONS BY STAFF AND CONTRACTORS**

### **9.1 PRESENTATION BY MW - PRIORITY ROADS PROJECTS FOR FUNDING**

#### **PRESENTATION**

Presentation by Manager Works Krishna Shrestha on the Priority Roads Projects for Funding.

At 3:10 pm, Cr Barbara Bryon left the meeting.

### **9.2 PRESENTATION BY DGMI - UPDATE ON GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS**

#### **PRESENTATION**

Presentation for Council Meeting by Deputy General Manager Infrastructure Julian Geddes providing updates on Grant Funded Projects.

- Stronger Country Communities Grants
- Truck Wash
- Drought Communities Program
- Water & Sewer Project

## **RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

### **RESOLUTION 19/052**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Jenny Clarke OAM

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

**CARRIED**

## **10 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **RESOLUTION 19/053**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Jenny Clarke OAM

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 February 2019 be confirmed.

**CARRIED**

**11 MAYORAL REPORT****11.1 MAYORAL REPORT MARCH 2019****RESOLUTION 19/054**

Moved: Cr Neville Kschenka

Seconded: Cr Tammy Galvin

That Council receive and note the Mayoral Report for March 2019 noting the correction that the entry listed for 14 February be removed as is a double up for entry listed on 7 March.

**.CARRIED**

**12 NOTICES OF RESCISSION**

Nil

**13 NOTICES OF MOTION****13.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - RATES REVENUE POLICY****RESOLUTION 19/055**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Jenny Clarke OAM

1. That while the Rates Payment Policy is currently under review, the following amendment be considered for inclusion in the revised Rates Payment Policy.

“That no penalty interest be applied to drought affected farmers or persons dependant on the farming industry including contractors, workers or storekeepers in a financial year where the difficulties are confirmed by the Rural Financial Advisor”.

**CARRIED**

**14 COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Nil

**15 COMMITTEE REPORTS****15.1 MINUTES - ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE - 12 FEBRUARY 2019****RESOLUTION 19/056**

Moved: Cr Jenny Clarke OAM

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council

1. Receive and note the Minutes of the Arts and Culture Committee held on Tuesday 12

February 2019.

2. Allow the Committee's request to display the War Plane photo at the Parkside Cottage Museum which is currently on display in the Narrandera Shire Council building.

**CARRIED**

## **15.2 MINUTES - RAILWAY STATION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - 20 FEBRUARY 2019**

### **RESOLUTION 19/057**

Moved: Cr David Fahey OAM

Seconded: Cr Tracey Lewis

That Council receive and note the Minutes of the Railway Station Management Committee held on Wednesday 20 February 2019.

Minutes contain no committee resolutions for Council endorsement.

**CARRIED**

## **15.3 MINUTES - ECONOMIC TASKFORCE COMMITTEE (OPEN) 25 FEBRUARY 2019**

### **RESOLUTION 19/058**

Moved: Cr David Fahey OAM

Seconded: Cr Tracey Lewis

That Council receive and note the Minutes of the Economic Taskforce Committee meeting held 25 February 2019, together with the updated Economic Development Strategy (non-confidential).

**CARRIED**

At 3:40 pm, Cr Neville Kschenka, after earlier declaring an Interest in Item 16.1, vacated the Chambers during discussions and voting on the matter and Deputy Mayor Cr David Fahey assumed the Mayoral Chair

## **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

### **RESOLUTION 19/059**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Tammy Galvin

A motion was moved that Council Suspend Standing Orders and move into Committee of the Whole for discussion on Item 16.1.

**CARRIED**



**RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**RESOLUTION 19/060**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Jenny Clarke OAM

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

**CARRIED**

**16 OUR COMMUNITY**

**16.1 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2019- 2020 FINANCIAL YEAR**

**RESOLUTION 19/061**

Moved: Cr Tammy Galvin

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council

1. Endorse the proposed distribution of 2019-2020 financial assistance as follows:

|  |                  |
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| Aboriginal Organisation NAIDOC Week      | \$ 250           |
| Rockin on East                           | \$ 250           |
| Narrandera Landcare Incorporated         | \$ 250           |
| Domestic Violence Committee              | \$ 500           |
| Binya School                             | \$ 1,000         |
| Narrandera Showground Land Managers      | \$ 1,000         |
| Roving Microphone Radio Station          | \$ 1,200         |
| Narrandera Preschool                     | \$ 1,895         |
| Earlies Rod & Custom Club                | \$ 2,000         |
| Lions Club                               | \$ 2,000         |
| Groups listed as per policy i.e. Schools | \$ 2,960         |
| Mayor & General Manager fund             | <u>\$ 6,695</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>\$ 20,000</b> |

**CARRIED**

At 4:09 pm, Cr Neville Kschenka returned to the meeting and Deputy Mayor Cr Fahey left the Mayoral Chair.

**16.2 NARRANDERA OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS ( NOOSH) SERVICE**

**RESOLUTION 19/062**

Moved: Cr Jenny Clarke OAM

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council

1. Make local childcare providers and schools aware of the conclusion of the agreement

with Leeton Council at 30 June 2019. Facilitate the transition of NOOSH to a specialist child service provider by allowing existing and other operators time to assess the market, revised government policy and funding with the potential to expand their businesses to encompass NOOSH clients.

2. Advise Narrandera East Infants School that operation of NOOSH may cease at its current location on 30 June 2019.
3. Investigate options for relocation and use of the NOOSH buildings.

In Favour: Crs David Fahey OAM, Narelle Payne, Kevin Morris and Jenny Clarke OAM

Against: Crs Neville Kschenka, Tracey Lewis, Wesley Hall and Tammy Galvin

**EQUAL**

**RESOLUTION 19/063**

Moved: Cr David Fahey OAM

Seconded: Cr Tracey Lewis

Option 3)

That Council make local childcare providers and schools aware of the conclusion of the agreement with Leeton Council at 30 June 2019 to facilitate the transition of NOOSH to a specialist child service provider. Thus allowing existing and other operators time to assess the market, revised government policy and funding with the potential to expand their businesses to encompass NOOSH clients.

**CARRIED**

Cr Hall requested his vote as Against the Motion be recorded

**16.3 WEBCASTING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**RESOLUTION 19/064**

Moved: Cr David Fahey OAM

Seconded: Cr Kevin Morris

That Council adopt third party video streaming where a Video Production Company will come to Narrandera each month to record the council meetings with their own equipment.

**CARRIED**

**17 OUR ENVIRONMENT**

Nil

**18 OUR ECONOMY**

**18.1 CONTRACT - LAKE TALBOT POOL COMPLEX - REPLACEMENT SLIDES**

**RESOLUTION 19/065**

Moved: Cr Tracey Lewis

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council

1. Accept the revised offer by Australian Waterslide & Leisure Pty Ltd (AWL) of \$1,051,586 that includes identified in-house Council costs to design and construct:
  - i. Replacement of existing blue Slide (105m) including loop
  - ii. A Dual Racer Slide (2 x 53m)
2. Proceed to design and construct the dual racer slide in the 2018/19 capital works program.
3. Note that Council has submitted a Capital Expenditure Review report to the Office of Local Government as required under the Ministers Capital Expenditure Guidelines.
4. Release funds from the Lake Talbot Pool Master Plan Reserve to increase the project funding to design and construct both the replacement slide and dual racer slide to a total cost of \$1,168,000 as illustrated in Table 2 – Revised AWL Design and Construct costs including project activities.
5. As part of the slide replacement program, Council also remove the rampage slide prior to the commencement of the 2019/20 swimming season.
6. Approval is given to affix the Common Seal of Council, if required, to this and any future documentation necessary relating to this matter.

**CARRIED**

Cr Hall and Lewis requested their vote as Against Point 5 of the Motion be recorded.

## **18.2 TENDER - CHANGEROOM CONSTRUCTION - LAKE TALBOT POOL COMPLEX**

### **RESOLUTION 19/066**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr David Fahey OAM

That Council

1. Accept the tender offer by Gundagai Construction Services to construct the new Changeroom facility at Lake Talbot Swimming Pool Complex.
2. Release funds from the Lake Talbot Pool Master Plan Reserve to increase the project funding for the Changeroom construction project to a total cost of \$448,346 as illustrated in Table 5 – Total Project Costs (Tendered Offer and Council Project Activities).
3. Approval is given to affix the Common Seal of Council, if required, to this and any future documentation necessary relating to this matter.

**CARRIED**

## **19 OUR INFRASTRUCTURE**

### **19.1 PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR FUNDING APPLICATION 2018-2020**

#### **RESOLUTION 19/067**

Moved: Cr David Fahey OAM

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council:

1. Approve the funding application plan from various funding streams as per the attachment 1 with this document.
2. Receive and Note "Transport Infrastructure Network Analysis" report in attachment 2, and endorse the strategy and plan presented in the document.

**CARRIED**

## **19.2 REVIEW OF NARRANDERA FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT STUDY AND PLAN**

*Item has been considered at another section.*

## **20 OUR CIVIC LEADERSHIP**

Nil

## **21 STATUTORY AND COMPULSORY REPORTING – DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORTS**

### **21.1 FEBRUARY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES ACTIVITIES**

#### **RESOLUTION 19/068**

Moved: Cr Kevin Morris

Seconded: Cr Tracey Lewis

That Council receive and note the Development Services Activities Report for February 2019.

**CARRIED**

## **22 STATUTORY AND COMPULSORY REPORTING – FINANCIAL / AUDIT REPORTS**

### **22.1 FEBRUARY STATEMENT OF RATES AND RECEIPTS**

#### **RESOLUTION 19/069**

Moved: Cr David Fahey OAM

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council receive and note the information contained in the Statement of Rates and Receipts report as at 01 March 2019.

**CARRIED**

**22.2 FEBRUARY STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES****RESOLUTION 19/070**

Moved: Cr Wesley Hall

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council receive and note the information contained in the Statement of Bank Balances report as at 28 February 2019.

**CARRIED****22.3 FEBRUARY INCOME STATEMENT****RESOLUTION 19/071**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Wesley Hall

That Council receive and note the information contained in the Income Statement report for the period ending 28 February 2019.

**CARRIED****22.4 FEBRUARY STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS****RESOLUTION 19/072**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Kevin Morris

That Council receive and note the information contained in the Statement of Investments report as at 28 February 2019.

**CARRIED****22.5 FEBRUARY CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM****RESOLUTION 19/073**

Moved: Cr Kevin Morris

Seconded: Cr Tracey Lewis

That Council receive and note the information contained in the Capital Works report as at 28 February 2019.

**CARRIED**

**23 STATUTORY AND COMPULSORY REPORTING – OTHER REPORTS**

Nil

**24 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS PAPER REPORTS****RESOLUTION 19/074**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

Seconded: Cr Wesley Hall

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

**24.1 Economic Taskforce Strategy**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - di, dii and diii of the Local Government Act, 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 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council and information that would, if disclosed, reveal a trade secret.

**CARRIED****24.1 ECONOMIC TASKFORCE STRATEGY****RESOLUTION 19/075**

Moved: Cr David Fahey OAM

Seconded: Cr Narelle Payne

That Council receive and note the Economic Development Strategy 2019 (confidential version) containing updates following the Economic Taskforce Committee meeting held 25 February 2019.

**CARRIED****24.2 OPEN COUNCIL****RESOLUTION 19/076**

Moved: Cr Narelle Payne

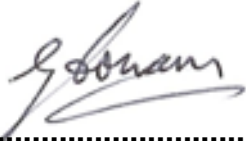
Seconded: Cr Wesley Hall

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council and the Mayor advised the Gallery of the resolution from closed meeting.

**CARRIED**

**The Meeting closed at 5.01pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 April 2019.**



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**GENERAL MANAGER**



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**CHAIRPERSON**