

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 21 REID STREET, WILCANNIA  
ON WEDNESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2024**

**PRESENT:** Administrator, Bob Stewart

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Greg Hill (General Manager)  
Reece Wilson (Director Shire Services)  
Thai Dang (Operations Manager)  
Glenda Dunn (Senior Planning Officer)  
Kevin Smith (Finance Manager)  
Darryl Telfer (Acting Rates Officer)  
Gabrielle Johnston (Community Engagement)  
Kara Mohr (Risk & WHS Officer)  
Natalie Batson (Executive Assistant)  
Nerida Carr (Governance Officer)  
Uday Mamidala (Finance Officer)

## **1 OPENING OF MEETING**

The meeting was declared open at 10:30am

## **2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

An acknowledgement of the traditional custodians of the land was delivered by the Administrator, Bob Stewart.

## **3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **3.1 APOLOGIES**

Nil

### **3.2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

## **4 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Pursuant to the Mode Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW Councillors and Council staff are required to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary conflicts of interest.

### **RESOLVED: OCM 01-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That the Disclosures of Interest – Pecuniary and Non–Pecuniary be received and noted.

**CARRIED**

No declarations were received.

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **5.1 PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

**RESOLVED: OCM 02-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 23 October 2024 be received and confirmed as an accurate record.

**CARRIED**

## **6 NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil

## **7 MAYORAL (ADMINISTRATOR) MINUTE(S)**

### **7.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - NOVEMBER 2024**

**RESOLVED: OCM 03-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

As per tabled report

**CARRIED**

## **8 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

### **8.1 CASH AND INVESTMENTS - OCTOBER 2024**

**RESOLVED: OCM 04-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council

1. Receive and note the report.

**CARRIED**

### **8.2 GRANTS REGISTER - OCTOBER 2024**

**RESOLVED: OCM 05-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report.

**CARRIED**

### 8.3 SALE OF COUNCIL LAND - LOT 2 SECTION 37 DP 759091 108 HOOD STREET WILCANNIA

#### RESOLVED: OCM 06-11-2024

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report.
2. To sell Lot 2 Section 37 DP 7590914 108 Hood Street Wilcannia.
3. To authorise the General Manager to negotiate the sale Lot 2 Section 37 DP 7590914 108 Hood Street Wilcannia in accordance with Council's Acquisition and Disposal of Land Policy.
4. To authorise the General Manager to execute all necessary documents to facilitate the sale of Lot 2 Section 37 DP 7590914 108 Hood Street Wilcannia.

**CARRIED**

### 8.4 PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-24

#### RESOLVED: OCM 07-11-2024

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. Adopt the Audited Financial Statements and Audit Reports for the 2023-24 financial year.
3. Present the reports to the public, in accordance with *Sections 418 and 419 of the Local Government Act 1993*. **CARRIED**

### 8.5 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

#### RESOLVED: OCM 08-11-2024

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. Adopt the variations to Council's 2024-25 Annual Budget
3. Note that the projected net operating surplus for the financial year 2024-25 is unchanged at \$15,000.
4. Note projected capital works budgeted expenditure for the financial year 2024-25 will be \$17.569 million. **CARRIED**

## 9 GOVERNANCE REPORTS

### 9.1 GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE ON PAST AND EMERGING MATTERS

**RESOLVED: OCM 09-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report

**CARRIED**

**9.2 HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES****RESOLVED: OCM 10-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report

**CARRIED**

**9.3 PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF DRAF ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24****RESOLVED: OCM 11-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. Approve the Draft Annual Report for Central Darling Shire Council 2023 – 2024.
3. Approve a copy of the report to be posted on Council's website with a link to the website being provided to the Minister for Local Government (via OLG).

**CARRIED**

**10 CUSTOMER SERVICE REPORTS****10.1 FUNDING REQUEST FOR WILCANNIA AUSTRALIA DAY COMMUNITY EVENT****RESOLVED: OCM 12-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
  - (a) Council notes the request by the Wilcannia Community Tourism Association Inc. for a community grant to run a community event in Wilcannia for Australia Day in 2025.
  - (b) Council agrees to provide the maximum amount of \$200 for the 2025 Wilcannia Australia Day event under the Community Grants Policy.
  - (c) On application from community or service groups, Council provides funding up to \$200 for each town and village in the shire for Australia Day events for 2025.

**CARRIED**

## **11 SHIRE SERVICES REPORTS**

### **11.1 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT**

**RESOLVED: OCM 13-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

**That Council will:**

1. Receive and Note the report.

**CARRIED**

### **11.2 CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL - SECTION 7.12 INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTION PLAN**

**RESOLVED: OCM 14-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. Endorse the adoption of the Central Darling Shire Council Section 7.12 Infrastructure Contribution Plan 2024, and for the plan to commence on 28 October 2024. **CARRIED**

### **11.3 ROADS AND AERODROMES**

**RESOLVED: OCM 15-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report

**CARRIED**

### **11.4 MENINDEE CARAVAN PARK ACCESS ROAD**

**RESOLVED: OCM 16-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. Advise Crown Lands that Council do not wish to create a public road over the current track in use and maintain a single access road to the Caravan Park and Menindee Aerodrome via the Menindee Aerodrome Road.

**CARRIED**

### **11.5 OLD WILCANNIA BRIDGE WORKS**

**RESOLVED: OCM 17-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. Resolve to install new charcoal concrete pavers across the dilapidated deck sections of the Old Wilcannia Lift Bridge.

**CARRIED**

### **11.6 SHIRE SERVICES REPORT**

**RESOLVED: OCM 18-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

**That Council will:**

1. Receive and Note the report.

**CARRIED**

### **11.7 WATER AND SEWER REPORT**

**RESOLVED: OCM 19-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report

**CARRIED**

## **12 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Nil

## **13 RESOLUTION TRACKER**

Nil

## **14 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

It was resolved that Council moved into Confidential to consider the matters listed in the confidential section of the agenda in accordance with Section 10A 2 of the *Local Government Act 1993* for the reasons specified. Confidential section was closed to the public and began at 10:55am.

**RESOLVED: OCM 20-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council move into Confidential to consider the matters listed in the confidential section of the agenda in accordance with Section 10A 2 of the Local Government Act 1993 for the reasons specified.:

**14.1 Provision of Road Stabilising Services**

Item 14.1 is confidential under the Local Government Act 1993 Section 10A(2) - (c) as it relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

**14.2 2025 Outstanding Community Service Awards**

Item 14.2 is confidential under the Local Government Act 1993 Section 10A(2) - (c) as it relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

**CARRIED**

**RESOLVED: OCM 21-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council moves out of Confidential and back into Open Chambers.

**CARRIED**

The General Manager reviewed the resolutions of the confidential matters and reported the following for the listed reports:

**14.1 PROVISION OF ROAD STABILISING SERVICES****RESOLVED: OCM 22-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. That the tenderers representing best value be awarded this contract as the Panel Source suppliers to Central Darling Shire Council for the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2026, and
3. That a provision be allowed for a 12-month extension based on satisfactory supplier performance, which may take this contract through to 31 December 2027.

**CARRIED**

**14.2 2025 OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS****RESOLVED: OCM 23-11-2024**

Mover: Administrator Bob Stewart

That Council will:

1. Receive the report
2. Note the report about the Outstanding Community Service Awards Nominations for 2024-25
  - (a) Endorse the awards for the recipients as described below in the report
  - (b) Endorse the awards to be announced on Australia Day.
  - (c) Endorse the awards to be presented on, or following Australia Day.
3. Embargo the announcement for Outstanding Community Service Awards recipients in all forms of media until 6am on Australia Day.

**CARRIED**

## **15 MEETING CLOSE**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed at **11:02am**.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Central Darling Shire Council held on Wednesday, 18 December 2024.

..... R. K. Hewart .....

**ADMINISTRATOR**