#### MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 21 REID STREET, WILCANNIA ON WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2025

PRESENT:Administrator, Bob StewartIN ATTENDANCE:Greg Hill (General Manager)Reece Wilson (Director Shire Services)Glenda Dunn (Senior Planning Officer)Darryl Telfer (Acting Rates Officer)Evelyn Pollard (Human Resource Officer)Kara Mohr (Risk & WHS Officer)Nerida Carr (Governance Officer)Shirley Burraston (Management Accountant)Thia Dang (Operations Manager)Uday Manidala (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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

No declarations were received.

# 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### 5.1 PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 December 2024 be received and confirmed as an accurate record.

# 6 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

# 7 MAYORAL (ADMINISTRATOR) MINUTE(S)

Motion/Resolved: The General Manager writes to the Member of Barwon (Roy Butler MP) seeking an update report on Wilcanania Wier Panel investigations and advise Council when will the investigations be completed.

# 8 FINANCIAL REPORTS

## 8.1 CASH AND INVESTMENTS - DECEMBER 2024

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council

## 8.2 CASH AND INVESTMENTS - JANUARY 2025

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council

## 8.3 GRANTS REGISTER - DECEMBER 2024

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council will:

## 8.4 GRANTS REGISTER - JANUARY 2025

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council will:

## 8.5 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Note that the projected net operating surplus for the financial year 2024-25 is unchanged at \$15,000 and that there are no current amendments to the 2024-25 budget.
- 3. Note that the projected capital works budget expenditure for the financial year 2024-25 will be \$17.569 million.

# 9 GOVERNANCE REPORTS

#### 9.1 NEW POLICY - VERGE AND STREET TREE POLICY

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Approve the draft Verge and Street Tree Policy.
- 3. Place the Verge and Street Tree Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days to allow for public review and submissions.

## 9.2 HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council will:

# **10 CUSTOMER SERVICE REPORTS**

## 10.1 COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANTS APPLICATION- WHITE CLIFFS GYMKHANA CLUB

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Council approves the allocation of \$1,000 to White Cliffs Gymkhana and Rodeo Club from the Community Grants budget.

# 11 SHIRE SERVICES REPORTS

## 11.1 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT JANUARY 2025

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

## That Council will:

#### 11.2 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION APPROVAL - 34 JOHNS STREET IVANHOE

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Note the information within the delegated assessment planning report by the independent planning consultant for development application D17 2024 PAN 489713 34 John Street Ivanhoe, for the installation of a manufactured dwelling, and carport with associated site and ancillary works.
- 3. Approve the development application D17 2024 PAN 489713 34 John Street Ivanhoe, for the installation of a manufactured dwelling, and carport with associated site and ancillary works.
- 4. Declaration of Interest- Note Administrator voted on the matter for approval.

# 11.3 COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT OF SUBDIVISION CERTIFICATE NO. 09/2024 FOR LOT 3492 DP765784

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Endorse the subdivision certificate No. 09/2024 issued under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1919*, for the proposed subdivision of Lot 3492 DP 765784 into two separate lots.
- 3. Stamp the subdivision certificate 09/2024 and plan for Lot 3492 DP 765784.

#### 11.4 URBAN AND RURAL ADDRESSING PROJECT AND GAZETTAL OF ROAD NAMES

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Note the information provided.
- 3. Endorse the continuation of the gazettal of the remaining roads, streets and lanes.
- 4. Inform the Central Darling Shire Council residents and land owners of the new street addresses.
- 5. Inform relevant State and Commonwealth Departments and other relevant stakeholders of the new street addresses.

## 11.5 ROADS AND AERODROMES

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council will:

## 11.6 WATER AND SEWER UPDATE

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council will:

## 11.7 SERVICES UPDATE

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

## That Council will:

# 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 10.50am.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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 Supporting Spontaneous Volunteers Program-appointment of consultant

Item 14.1 is confidential under the Local Government Act 1993 Section 10A(2) - (d) as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:

- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
- (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
- (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### 14.2 Purchase of Land By Council - Sale of Land for Unpaid Rates Auction

Item 14.2 is confidential under the Local Government Act 1993 Section 10A(2) - (d) as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:

- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
- (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
- (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### 14.3 Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corperation- Inquiry Council owned land in Menindee

Item 14.3 is confidential under the Local Government Act 1993 Section 10A(2) - (d) as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:

- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
- (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
- (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

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

# 14.1 SUPPORTING SPONTANEOUS VOLUNTEERS PROGRAM-APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANT

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Note funding to be received for the Supporting Spontaneous Volunteers Program and outlined in the Funding Deed Agreement which the project must be commenced by 31/1/2025 and be completed by 31/1/2026 and obtaining three written quotations would be problematic due to Council remoteness and consultants' local knowledge of the area.
- 3. Endorse the actions of the General Manager for the engagement of Morris Piper to undertake project management and delivery of Supporting Spontaneous Volunteers Program.

#### 14.2 PURCHASE OF LAND BY COUNCIL - SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES AUCTION

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- 1. Receive the report.
- 2. Authorise the General Manager to bid, at the sale of land for unpaid rates auction on 27 February 2025, for properties listed in Attachment 1 to this report, up to the maximum amounts indicated in Attachment 1.
- 3. Authorise the General Manager to execute contracts and all other documentation necessary to complete the transfer of properties purchased by Council at the sale of land for unpaid rates auction on 27 February 2025.
- 4. Affix Council's Seal to any transfer documents where Council is the purchaser.
- 5. Receive a further report at its Ordinary Meeting scheduled for 26 March 2025 detailing any properties which are purchased at the sale of land for unpaid rates auction on 27 February 2025 to consider classifying those properties Operational in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) Section 34*.

# 14.3 MAARI MA HEALTH ABORIGINAL CORPERATION- INQUIRY COUNCIL OWNED LAND IN MENINDEE

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council will:

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. The General Manager writes to Maari Ma Aboriginal Health providing the information they have requested
- 3. As part of the General Manager correspondence to Mari Ma Aboriginal Health, if they wish to potentially purchase the allotment, they are to formally write and request Council acquires and independent land valuation.
- 4. The General Manager provides ongoing updates to Council.

# 15 MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed at **11.04am**.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Central Darling Shire Council held on Wednesday, 26 March 2025.

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ADMINISTRATOR