

ORDINARY MEETING

MINUTES

THURSDAY 23RD APRIL 2020

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council
held Electronically via the Lifesize app
on Thursday 23rd April 2020 commencing at 8:32 am

Present:

COUNCILLORS

MJ Quigley	Chair
KR Irving	
HJ Druce	
BD Williamson	
SJ Derrett	
RJ Higgins	
KL Walker	
AJ Brewer	
P Serdity	

STAFF MEMBERS

G Wilcox	General Manager (GM)
D Arthur	Divisional Manager Finance & Administration (DMFA)
R Lawford	Divisional Manager Engineering Services (DMES)
M Stephens	Manager Health & Development Services (MHD)
J Burtenshaw	Executive Assistant (EA)

APOLOGIES

Apologies was tendered on behalf of Councillor Taylor and Councillor Beach who were absent due to external commitments, and it was **MOVED** Derrett/Higgins that the apologies be accepted and a leave of absence for the members concerned be granted.

Carried
59.4.20

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED Derrett/Druce that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday, 26th March 2020 be adopted as a true and correct record of that Meeting, noting the corrections of:

1. Councillor Williamson Disclosure of Interest, deletion of the words “report of the”;
2. 14th April 2020 Manex Meeting Minutes, correction to the name of the Black Spot Program in Item 10 General Business Without Notice point 3; and
3. The Divisional Manager Finance and Administration Reports, Item 1 heading delete “November 2019” and insert “February 2020”.

Carried
60.4.20

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Councillor Quigley and Councillor Brewer declared an interest in the Section of the Divisional Manager Finance & Administration, Report Item 3 – Rental Adjustment Request – Totally Smiles Pty Ltd.

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MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

The Mayor addressed the following areas:

1. Orana Joint Organisation Update - The next Board Meeting will be held on Friday, 24th April 2020 at midday. The Mayor advised of the past motion to dissolve the Orana Joint Organisation. By legislation a Joint Organisation can not wind itself up. The Mayor advised of the Notice of Motion to allow Councils to leave the Organisation and that investigations into how the Orana Joint Organisation can operate better. The Mayor asked Councillors opinion on remaining in the Orana Joint Organisation.

2. Request by Councillor Walker to support a Motion.
MOVED Quigley/Walker that Council send a letter to Federal and State politicians including the Member for Parkes, Mark Coulton MP, Federal Minister for Agriculture, David Littleproud MP, Prime Minister Scott Morrison, NSW Farmers and NSW Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW, Adam Marshall expressing Council's concerns regarding the following:
 1. Immediately address the inequity that exists between the drought response and those of crisis.
 2. Government actions reflect the importance of the regions and value them accordingly.
 3. Shift focus on primary criteria and actions to those that relate to loss of income and protecting people when most vulnerable.
 4. Safeguard and protect our resources and food security vital to all Australians.

Carried
61.4.20

3. The Mayor advised Councillors that at the end of the meeting he will be raising one (1) item under Section 10 Confidential Matters and will be asking to exclude the press, members of the public and anyone else who might be with you in viewing this public meeting, that they be at least out of hearing of the meeting and out of the room when we discuss the confidential matter as what would normally be the case.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Plant Committee

(C14-3.8)

MOVED Brewer/Higgins that the Minutes of the Plant Committee meeting held on Thursday, 2nd April 2020 be received and noted with the following recommendations:

Item 1 Plant Replacement Programs Tender ET01 - Front End Loader Replacement
(P2-5.38/02)

1. Council accept the supply and delivery offer from WesTrac Pty Ltd of 8 Purvis Street, Dubbo for a Caterpillar 950M Front End Loader (Quote No.64822) in the amount of \$325,000 (ex. GST);
2. Council note the budget for replacement was \$350,000 (ex. GST);
3. Council note this is \$25,000 (ex GST) below budget; and
4. Council note that Plant 12 – Hitachi Front End Loader is to be auctioned.

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Council Chambers Development Sunset Committee

Continued

2. Complete drawings of the changes made to the front façade of the Council Chambers as approved by Council in March 2020; and
3. That Council note the proposed addition of the stairs will cost approximately \$25,000 above the ramp and awning costs.

Item 4.2 Request to Call for Quotations for a New Council Chambers and Extension of the Administration Building (S1-1.15/1)

It was noted in the report that the original budget was \$1.4 million and the present budget has approximately \$1.2 million available since the demolition of the old building, sealing of the site and development of plans, engineering and tender documents.

1. The Committee recommend to Council that it commence the construction of the extension to Council's Administration Building and Council Chambers by quotation from local and regional construction companies and trades;
2. Council appoint contractors through the Vendor Panel process as required to undertake construction and finish works;
3. Council allocate \$300,000 from the infrastructure reserve funds to cover the construction excluding the rear administration section fit out; and
4. Council note that the rear administration building will be built from lightweight materials to lock up stage.

Councillor Irving requested that her vote against this item be formally recorded.

**Carried
64.4.20**

DELEGATES REPORTS

Item 1 Outback Arts Inc. Annual General Meeting and General Board Meeting (C17-2)

MOVED Serdity/Druce the information be received and noted.

**Carried
65.4.20**

Item 2 "Thresholds of Resilience in Regional Communities" Stakeholder Webinar held on Thursday 2nd April 2020 (C14-9)

MOVED Derrett/Irving that the information be received and noted.

**Carried
66.4.20**

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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

Item 1 Outstanding Reports Checklist (C14-7.4)

EA-N **MOVED** Williamson/Serdity that the information be received and noted and that following items be deleted 26.3.20 - 54.3.20; 5.12.19 - 269.12.19; 5.12.19 - 271.12.19; and 26.3.20 - 55.3.20.

**Carried
67.4.20**

Item 2 Committee/Delegates Meetings (C14-2)

EA-N **MOVED** Serdity/Walker that the information be received and noted and that the Outback Arts Board Meeting scheduled for the 25th May 2020 be added to the schedule and the Council Chambers Development Committee be noted that it was onsite and not held electronically.

**Carried
68.4.20**

Item 3 Airport Lot 2 DP 1259706 Hanger 2 Site Sale Agreement (A2-12.2)

MOVED Williamson/Derrett that:

GM-A
Chk Lst

1. Council approve the purchase of Lot 2 DP 1259706 Hanger 2 at Warren Airport and allow the purchasers to pay a deposit of one (1) quarter of the \$16,000 (ex GST) price with the remainder paid by three (3) equal instalments;
2. The contract requires the purchasers to pay all future land costs; and
3. Council allow future hanger lot purchases to be undertaken through payment plans on the same basis.

**Carried
69.4.20**

Item 4 Streetlight Upgrade to High Efficiency LED Technology (S17-1)

MOVED Serdity/Druce to suspend standing orders to allow discussion of the report.

**Carried
70.4.20**

MOVED Serdity/Druce to reinstate standing orders.

**Carried
71.4.20**

GM-A
Chk Lst

MOVED Serdity/Druce that Council approve the bulk replacement of Council's 393 streetlights to LED technology with funding by Essential Energy. The only cost payable to Essential Energy is \$5,400 for residual capital and project contingency. With estimated NSW Government credits for energy savings of \$39,000 the net upfront gain to Council is \$33,600, plus ongoing annual savings in energy and maintenance of \$40,000.

**Carried
72.4.20**

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.55 am.

**THESE MINUTES WERE CONFIRMED AT THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, 28TH MAY 2020 AS BEING
A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.**

MINUTE NO. 84.5.20

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GENERAL MANAGER

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MAYOR