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**Ordinary Council Meeting
Tuesday, 26 July 2022**

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**MINUTES OF BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MARKET STREET BALRANALD
ON TUESDAY, 26 JULY 2022 AT 5PM**

1 OPENING OF MEETING

2 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

We pay our respect to the Traditional Custodians of the Lands where we hold this meeting to Elders past, present and emerging.

PRESENT:

Administrator Mike Colreavy

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeff Sowiak (General Manager), Kerry Jones (Executive Manager of Engineering), Carol Holmes (Senior Executive Officer) and Fiona Scoleri (Executive Officer)

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28 JUNE 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/128

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 June 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED

5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were no Disclosures of Interests submitted to this Meeting.

6 ADMINISTRATOR MINUTE/REPORT**6.1 ADMINISTRATOR'S MINUTE - RURAL FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT**

RESOLUTION 2022/129

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

With Council's past failures over several consecutive years to complete its annual financial statements within the required timeframes and with Council's repeated undertakings to correct this into the future in mind:

1. That Council writes respectfully to the New South Wales Minister for Local Government and the Auditor General to advise of its concerns about the Government's determination on ownership of Rural Fire Service assets.
2. That the General Manager ensure that Council's 2021-2022 Financial Statements are completed and audited, without qualification, within the required timeframe and that this not be delayed by arguments about the legitimacy of including Rural Fire Service assets in Council's accounts.
3. That all lawful requirements of the New South Wales Office of Local Government and the New South Wales Auditor General relating to the inclusion of Rural Fire Service assets in the 2021-2022 Financial Statements be complied with.

CARRIED

7 COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR ADOPTION**7.1 MINUTES OF THE WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1 JULY 2022**

RESOLUTION 2022/130

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

1. That the Minutes of the Works Committee Meeting held on 1 July 2022 be received and noted.
2. That Council resolve to
 - Negotiate a 10% commission with the Euston Post Office and the Discovery Centre at Balranald from each Token sold to cover administration costs;
 - Provide 100 tokens to the Local Aboriginal Land Council Office to allow distribution as required;
 - That tokens be provided to local service organisations to distribute to residents who may be financially impacted by waste disposal costs;
 - Amend its 2022/23 waste management budget to allocate 50% of the cost of purchase a suitable 4x4 Rangers (Regulations Officer) vehicle to the Plant Reserve to cover the cost of undertaking illegal waste inspections at Balranald and Euston;
 - That 50% of all running expenses for the vehicle including fuel shall be paid from the waste management budget;
 - That 50% of the Rangers time be allocated to the waste management budget to cover inspections, illegal dumping follow up and travelling; and
 - Advertising and implementation of the new fees to be undertaken as soon as possible.

CARRIED

7.2 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY ACCESS INCLUSION AND WELLBEING ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 23 JUNE 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/131

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

1. That the Minutes of the Strengthening Community Access Inclusion and Wellbeing Advisory Committee (SCAIW) meeting held on Thursday 23 June 2022 be received and noted.
2. That Council support SCAIW offering in-kind support to MaariMa with planning and delivery of the November White Ribbon event; and
3. That Council commence planning for the 2023 Australia Day celebrations including committee membership and funding opportunities for Balranald Shire.

CARRIED

7.3 EUSTON PROGRESSIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27 JUNE 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/132

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the Minutes of the Euston Progressive Advisory Committee meeting held on Monday 27 June 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED

7.4 GROWING BUSINESS INDUSTRY AND TOURISM MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 5 JULY 2022

RESOLUTION 2022/133

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the Minutes of the Growing Business Industry & Tourism (GBIT) meeting held on Tuesday 5 July 2022 be received and noted.

CARRIED

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS (INCORPORATING ALL STAFF REPORTS)**PART A – ITEMS REQUIRING DECISION****8 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS****8.1 RURAL FIRE SERVICE ASSETS**

Jeff Sowiak, General Manager, advised the Council that he wished to withdraw this report from the Agenda.

8.2 ROBINVALE EUSTON WORKFORCE NETWORK**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To consider Council agreeing to be a partner organisation of the Robinvale Euston Workplace Network working with the Coleman Foundation and the Victorian Government on the "Our Place Robinvale" project to focus on strengthening approaches to increase local employment and training opportunities for residents

RESOLUTION 2022/134

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council write to the Coleman Foundation (Our Place) to agree to be a partner organisation of the Robinvale Euston Workforce Network. (REWV)

CARRIED**9 CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**

Nil

10 INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT REPORTS**10.1 BALRANALD LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2010 – HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENT****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To recommend that Council proceed with a Planning Proposal to amend the *Balranald Local Environmental Plan 2010* that achieves the following outcomes:

- Correction of a number of mapping anomalies as they relate to the Land Zoning, Minimum Lot Size, Natural Resources Sensitivity – Biodiversity and Riparian Land, Waterways and Groundwater Vulnerability Maps.
- Update Schedule 5 and the Heritage Maps of the LEP to implement the recommendations of the Balranald Shire Community Heritage Study.
- Introduction of a new local provision regarding boundary adjustments in certain rural and environmental zones.
- Deletion of the Additional Permitted Uses Map to reflect the fact that Schedule 1 of the LEP is blank

RESOLUTION 2022/135

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council:

1. Supports the Planning Proposal – Balranald LEP Housekeeping Amendment to amend the *Balranald Local Environmental Plan 2010*.
2. Submit the Planning Proposal to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment for Gateway Determination seeking public exhibition of the proposed amendments.
3. Receive a further report after the public exhibition period addressing any submissions made in respect of the Planning Proposal.

CARRIED

10.2 NSW PUBLIC SPACES CHARTER

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise of the Transport for NSW – Cities and Active Transport Public Spaces Charter.

RESOLUTION 2022/136

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council:

1. Become a signatory to the NSW Public Spaces Charter; and
2. Seek guidance from the NSW Public Spaces Charter project team to develop an action plan to implement the NSW Public Spaces Charter; and
3. Undertake consultation in relation to the action plan in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Strategy 2020–2024.

CARRIED

PART B – ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

11 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

11.1 INSURANCE RENEWALS 2022 23

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update Council on the cost and details of Council's insurance for the current year.

RESOLUTION 2022/137

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

11.2 GRANT STATUS UPDATE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Council with an updated summary of the current and active grant funded projects across Council.

RESOLUTION 2022/138

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

11.3 ADMINISTRATOR, GENERAL MANAGER AND DIRECTORS MEETINGS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council of the meetings undertaken on behalf of Council by the Administrator, General Manager and Managers since June 2022 Ordinary Meeting.

RESOLUTION 2022/139

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy
That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

11.4 CIRCULARS FROM OFFICE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Council with information of the circulars received from Office Local Government since the June 2022 Council Meeting.

RESOLUTION 2022/140

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy
That Council receives and notes this report.

CARRIED

11.5 OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To bring forward for information the Action Report with outstanding actions from previous Council resolutions.

RESOLUTION 2022/141

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy
That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

12 CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS**12.1 REPORT ON AREAS OF COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL OPERATIONS****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to advise and report to council on the status of the following financial areas of operation-

- 1 Investments
 - 2 Bank Reconciliation
 - 3 Monthly Statement of Rates and Charges
 - 4 Monthly Summary of Revenue and Expenditure for the Caravan Park
 - 5 Monthly Summary of Revenue and Expenditure for the Bidgee Haven Hostel
 - 6 Monthly Summary of Revenue and Expenditure for the Tourist Information Centre
 - 7 Debtors
 - 8 Grants
 - 9 Statement of Currency of Work within the Finance Function of Council
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RESOLUTION 2022/142

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council receives and notes the financial information for the period ending 30 June 2022.

CARRIED

12.2 TOURISM & DESTINATION MARKETING QUARTERLY REPORT - APRIL TO JUNE 2022**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To provide Council with an update on Tourism activity and provide the quarterly report on statistics and activities that took place in the Tourism, Communications and Events department during the reporting period.

RESOLUTION 2022/143

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

13 INFRASTRUCTURE & DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

13.1 INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Council with an update on Infrastructure works currently in hand and in planning, updated to 12 July 2022.

RESOLUTION 2022/144

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy
That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

13.2 PLANNING ADMINISTRATION

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council of activities in the Planning area

RESOLUTION 2022/145

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy
That the report be received and noted.

CARRIED

14 NOTICE OF MOTION / QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

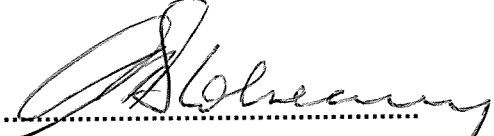
Nil

15 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

The Meeting closed at 5.52pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 16 August 2022.


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ADMINISTRATOR


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GENERAL MANAGER