

**MINUTES OF NARRABRI SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE NARRABRI SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 46-48 MAITLAND STREET, NARRABRI
ON TUESDAY, 28 APRIL 2020 AT 1.44PM**

PRESENT: Cr Catherine Redding (Mayor), Cr Cameron Staines (Deputy Mayor), Cr Maxine Booby, Cr Ron Campbell, Cr Ron Campey, Cr Robert Kneale, Cr Annie McMahon

IN ATTENDANCE: Stewart Todd (General Manager), Darren Raeck (Director Infrastructure Delivery), Lindsay Mason (Director Corporate Services), Delece Hartnett (Minute Clerk)

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 1.44pm.

1 OPENING PRAYER BY A MEMBER OF THE NARRABRI MINISTER'S FRATERNAL

Members and officers were upstanding for the opening prayer that was read by the Mayor, Cr Cathy Redding.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land on which the Council met, the Kamilaroi people, and the Council paid its respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

The Mayor conducted a roll call of members, checking on Councillors present for the meeting and audio/visual connectivity.

3 APOLOGIES/GRANTING OF LEAVE OF ABSENCES

MINUTE 051/2020

Moved: Cr Ron Campbell Seconded: Cr Ron Campey

That the apologies received from Cr Loder and Cr Finlay be accepted.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Cameron Staines, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

4 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND NON- PECUNIARY INTERESTS

- Nil.

5 ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE CONFIDENTIAL (PUBLIC EXCLUDED) MEETING

MINUTE 052/2020

Moved: Cr Ron Campbell Seconded: Cr Annie McMahon

That the following matters be considered in the Closed (Public Excluded) Meeting:

- **13.1 Culgoora Road Acquisition.**

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Cameron Staines, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

Abstained: Cr Maxine Booby

CARRIED 6/0

6 PRESENTATIONS

- Nil.

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTE 053/2020

Moved: Cr Robert Kneale Seconded: Cr Ron Campey

That the minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Narrabri Shire Council held on 24 March 2020 comprising Minute Nos 035/2020 to 050/2020 as circularised be confirmed and signed as a correct record by the Mayor.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Cameron Staines, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

8.3 MAYORAL MINUTE - SUPPLEMENTARY COVID-19 CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**MINUTE 054/2020**

Moved: Cr Ron Campbell Seconded: Cr Robert Kneale

- 1. That Council, given the current pandemic situation and that Council Meetings are now being held electronically, immediately adopt and apply the Supplementary Code of Meeting Practice to the conduct of its Council Meetings.**
- 2. That Council place the Supplementary Code of Meeting Practice on public exhibition and receive submissions for a minimum of 42 days, if no submissions are received, the Supplementary Code will be deemed formally adopted by Council, if submissions are received a further report outlining the submissions will be presented to Council for consideration.**

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Cameron Staines, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

At 2:14 pm, Deputy Mayor Cameron Staines left the meeting and did not return.

8.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS FOR MARCH/APRIL 2020**MINUTE 055/2020**

Moved: Cr Catherine Redding

That Council note the Mayoral Appointments for the period March/April 2020.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

8.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - CALL FROM LGNSW FOR COVID19 FINANCIAL SUPPORT**MINUTE 056/2020**

Moved: Cr Catherine Redding

- 1. That Council calls on the Federal Government and State Government to urgently deliver financial support and stimulus packages to include the following measures:**
 - a. Provide an additional Financial Assistance Grant payment to assist Council in covering revenue losses and delays in capital work projects arising from COVID-19.**
 - b. Increased access to TAFE, VET and other apprenticeship opportunities that Council staff can undertake to address skill shortages.**
 - c. Increasing Financial Assistance Grants payments to 1% to help Council maintain essential functions and services, acknowledging the increased costs and mounting revenue losses arising from COVID-19, drought and bushfires as well as giving Council the capacity to provide hardship assistance to businesses and residents.**
 - d. Providing stimulus funding for projects that will help sustain Council operations and boost local economies. This could be achieved through increasing or bringing forward funding under existing funding programs or introducing new programs.**
- 2. That Council commends the Federal and NSW Governments on their stewardship during this crisis and commits to working in partnership to protect community health and sustain local economies through this crisis.**
- 3. That Council write to Member for Parkes (and Federal Minister for Local Government) the Hon Mark Coulton MP and Member for Barwon Roy Butler MP seeking their support for increased financial assistance and stimulus funding for local government to help Council maintain essential services and employment during the COVID-19 pandemic.**
- 4. That Council forward a copy of this resolution to LGNSW.**

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

9 OUR SOCIETY

Nil reports.

10 OUR ENVIRONMENT

Nil reports.

11 OUR ECONOMY

Nil reports.

12 OUR CIVIC LEADERSHIP**12.1 ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS UNDER DELEGATION - MARCH 2020****MINUTE 057/2020**

Moved: Cr Maxine Booby Seconded: Cr Ron Campbell

That Council note the determination of tenders under delegation for the period to March 2020.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale
and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

12.2 DELEGATES REPORT - NARROMINE TO NARRABRI (N2N) INLAND RAIL COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE - 26 FEBRUARY 2020**MINUTE 058/2020**

Moved: Cr Ron Campbell Seconded: Cr Robert Kneale

That Council note Cr Campbell's Delegates Report from the Narromine to Narrabri (N2N) Inland Rail Community Consultative Committee held on 26 February 2020.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale
and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

12.3 INVESTMENT REPORT - MARCH 2020**MINUTE 059/2020**

Moved: Cr Ron Campey Seconded: Cr Maxine Booby

That Council note the Investment Report for March 2020

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale
and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

12.4 TIMETABLE FOR 2020/2021 OPERATIONAL PLAN**MINUTE 060/2020**

Moved: Cr Maxine Booby Seconded: Cr Robert Kneale

That Council change its meeting schedule, as per below, to allow for a revised timetable for adoption of 2020/2021 Operational Plan:

- a. **Extraordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 19 May 2020; at which the Draft 2020/2021 Operational Plan will be presented for endorsement and public exhibition as well as the March 2020 Quarterly Budget Review Statement and Service Plan Quarterly Report.**
- b. **Ordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 30 June 2020; rescheduled from 23 June to 30 June, at which the adoption of the 2020/2021 Operational Plan can occur.**

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

12.5 EFFECTS OF COVID-19 UPDATE**MINUTE 061/2020**

Moved: Cr Annie McMahon Seconded: Cr Maxine Booby

That Council note the April 2020 effects of COVID-19 update report.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

13 CONFIDENTIAL (CLOSED COUNCIL) MEETING**MINUTE 062/2020**

Moved: Cr Ron Campey Seconded: Cr Robert Kneale

That at 2.25pm Council move into Closed (Public Excluded) Meeting of Council and that the press and members of the public be asked to leave the room whilst Council considers the following items:

13.1 Culgoora Road Acquisition

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (c) 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 information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Maxine Booby, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

At 2:30 pm, Cr Maxine Booby left the meeting under clause 14.18a of the Supplementary Code of Meeting Practice.

13.1 CULGOORA ROAD ACQUISITION**MINUTE 063/2020**

Moved: Cr Annie McMahon Seconded: Cr Ron Campey

- 1. That Council acquire land adjoin Culgoora Road, being part of Lot 1 of DP122184 for \$10,000 for the reconstruction of the Culgoora Road and meet all reasonable survey and legal costs associated with this acquisition.**
- 2. That Council make all necessary arrangements to:**
 - a) Dedicate the relevant section of the land as shown on the attached Culgoora Road Realignment Proposal as public road in accordance with the provision of the Roads Act 1993.**
 - b) Classify the balance of the land as operational land in accordance with section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993.**
- 3. That Council apply its Common Seal to any necessary documents relating to this acquisition.**

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 5/0

MINUTE 064/2020

Moved: Cr Ron Campey Seconded: Cr Ron Campbell

That at 2.36pm Council move out of Closed (Public Excluded) Meeting and that the resolutions from the Closed (Public Excluded) Meeting be read out aloud.

In Favour: Crs Catherine Redding, Ron Campbell, Ron Campey, Robert Kneale and Annie McMahon

Against: Nil

CARRIED 5/0

At 2:37 pm, Cr Maxine Booby returned to the meeting.

14 MEETING CLOSED

The Meeting closed at 2.37pm.

The minutes of this meeting are scheduled to be confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 26 May 2020.

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CHAIRPERSON