

**MINUTES OF NARRABRI SHIRE COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE NARRABRI SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
46-48 MAITLAND STREET, NARRABRI
ON TUESDAY, 23 JULY 2024 AT 11:30 AM**

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:	Mayor Darrell Tiemens, Councillor Rohan Boehm, Councillor Robert Browning, Councillor Ron Campbell, Councillor John Clements, Councillor Brett Dickinson, Councillor Greg Lamont, Councillor Catherine Redding, Councillor Lisa Richardson
IN ATTENDANCE:	Rob Williams (General Manager), Donna Ausling (Director Planning and Sustainability), Eloise Chaplain (Director Infrastructure Delivery), Jason Townsend (Manager Governance and Risk), Kira O'Neil (Minute Clerk)

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 11:30 am.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

1. OPENING PRAYER

Members and officers were upstanding for the opening prayer by the Mayor.

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.

3. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Council acknowledged the sacrifice made by Australian service men and women, in particular those who gave their lives in defence of the freedom we enjoy today.

4. ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK

Nil.

5. APOLOGIES/GRANTING OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil.

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

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

20.1 Appointment of Interim General Manager

8. PRESENTATIONS

1. Jacob Sauer Principal at Forsyths (Council's Appointed External Auditor)

9. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Nil.

10. MATTERS OF GREAT URGENCY

Nil.

11. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil.

12. MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil reports.

13. DELEGATES REPORT

Nil reports.

14. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Nil reports.

15. GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS

Nil reports.

16. FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES

16.1 2022/2023 ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Mayor adjourned the meeting to resolve a technical issue, the time being 11:39 pm.

The meeting resumed, the time being 11:41 pm.

MINUTE 133/2024

Moved: Cr Ron Campbell Seconded: Cr John Clements

- 1. That Council present the 2022/2023 Audited Financial Statements including auditors reports as shown in Attachment 1 of this report.**
- 2. That Council adopt the 2022/2023 Annual Report as shown as Attachment 2 to this Report, updated for the Audited Financial Statements as presented in Attachment 1 above.**

In Favour: Darrell Tiemens, Robert Browning, Ron Campbell, John Clements, Brett Dickinson, Catherine Redding, Lisa Richardson

Against: Greg Lamont, Rohan Boehm

Not Present: Nil

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AMENDMENT MOTION

Moved: Cr Greg Lamont Seconded: Cr Rohan Boehm

- 1. That Council present the 2022/2023 Audited Financial Statements including auditors reports as shown in Attachment 1 of this report.**
- 2. That Council adopt the 2022/2023 Annual Report as shown as Attachment 2 to this Report, updated for the Audited Financial Statements as presented in Attachment 1 above.**
- 3. That Council request the Office of Local Government conduct a full investigation into Council's financial position.**

In Favour: Rohan Boehm, Robert Browning, Greg Lamont

Against: Darrell Tiemens, Ron Campbell, John Clements, Brett Dickinson, Catherine Redding, Lisa Richardson

Not Present: Nil

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17. INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY

Nil reports.

18. PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY

Nil reports.

19. SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

Nil reports.

20. CONFIDENTIAL (CLOSED COUNCIL) MEETING**MINUTE 134/2024**

Moved: Cr Robert Browning Seconded: Cr John Clements

- 1. That 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: 20.1 Appointment of Interim General Manager.**

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), 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 personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

In Favour: Darrell Tiemens, Rohan Boehm, Robert Browning, Ron Campbell, John Clements,
Brett Dickinson, Greg Lamont, Catherine Redding, Lisa Richardson

Against: Nil

Not Present: Nil

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20.1 APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM GENERAL MANAGER**MINUTE 135/2024**

Moved: Cr Robert Browning Seconded: Cr Darrell Tiemens

- 1. That Council appoint an interim General Manager pursuant to sections 334 and 336 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) for a period of up to twelve months, to commence on 16 August 2024 and to terminate on 15 August 2025, with the option to terminate the appointment upon recruitment of a permanent General Manager.**
- 2. That the Mayor be authorised to take all steps necessary to effect the appointment, including signing any letters of offer, instruments of appointment, and negotiating remuneration with the appointed person commensurate with the responsibilities of the position.**
- 3. That the person appointed as interim General Manager remain confidential until announced by the General Manager on or before Friday 26 July 2024.**

In Favour: Darrell Tiemens, Rohan Boehm, Robert Browning, Ron Campbell, John Clements,
Brett Dickinson, Greg Lamont, Catherine Redding, Lisa Richardson

Against: Nil

Not Present: Nil

CARRIED 9/0

