



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

17 NOVEMBER 2020

PRESENT

Councillors

A Walker (Acting Mayor)

S Baker

B Mockler

N Mudford

D Naden

G Peart

N Wrigley

Employees

D J Neeves
General Manager

Melissa Welsh
Acting Director Corporate Services

J Manion
Director Community Services

D Colwell
Director Infrastructure

L Mathieson
Director Planning & Environment

J Prout
Executive Assistant

R Medd
Inland Rail Project Manager

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.30pm

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr D Batten

RESOLVED 209/20	Cr Mudford/Cr Baker
That the apology submitted be accepted and leave of absence granted.	

ADJOURNMENTS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Mudford, *Proposed Land Purchase (Closed)*.
Cr Mudford's son and daughter-in-law own land mentioned in the report.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED 210/20	Cr Baker/Cr Peart
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 20 October 2020, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to.	

RESOLVED 211/20	Cr Baker/Cr Peart
That the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 2 November 2020, which were circulated to members prior to this meeting, be hereby confirmed as a faithful record of the meeting referred to.	

LISTING OF MATTERS
TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED COUNCIL

RESOLVED 212/20	Cr Peart/Cr Naden
That Council note the following matters to be listed as specified under Section 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Castlereagh River Restoration and Beautification Project (d)○ Proposed land purchase – rear of Miller Street (c)○ Tender (Hunter Regional Procurement) - Supply and delivery of passenger, truck and earthmover tyres (d)○ Tender (Hunter Regional Procurement) - Supply and delivery of bitumen emulsion (d)	

RESOLVED 213/20	Cr Peart/Cr Naden
That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the matters to be considered in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Clause 10 (2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate at 4.31pm	

RESOLVED 219/20	Cr Peart/Cr Mudford
That the General Manager, Mr David Neeves, in line with Clauses 9(3), 377 and 335 of the Local Government Act, 1993, list all business relating to financial matters, staff matters, industrial matters, acceptance of tenders, personal affairs of private individuals, possible or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate in line with the confidentiality policy of Council and Clause 10 (2) of the Act for consideration by the next meeting of the Council as such matters are deemed to be of confidential nature or such that Council's interest may be prejudiced by publicity, that the press and public be excluded from the meeting, provided however that, at the discretion of the Mayor, interested parties and/or their agents be granted approval to address the Council so that they are provided with the opportunity to substantiate any proposals under consideration and answer any questions from Councillors in relation thereto.	

(ED.LI.1)

SENATE INQUIRY INLAND RAIL

SUMMARY

To advise Council of an invitation for Council to appear before the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee Inquiry into the Management of the Inland Rail Project by the ARTC and Commonwealth Government.

RESOLVED 220/20	Cr Baker/Cr Wrigley
That Council endorse the attendance of the Acting Mayor, Inland Rail Project Manager and General Manager to represent Council to provide evidence at a hearing of the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee.	

Proceedings in Brief

It was noted that interim advice has been received that the Environmental Impact Statement is likely to be put on public exhibition from 7 December to 7 February 2020.

(FM.FR.1)

CAPITAL WORKS QUARTERLY UPDATE

SUMMARY

To provide an update on progress with the 2020/21 Capital Works Program as at 30 September 2020.

RESOLVED 221/20	Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley
That the report be noted.	

Proceedings in Brief

Mr Randall Medd left the meeting at 4.55pm.

(CM.PL.1)

2020/21 QUARTERLY OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

SUMMARY

To consider progress with Council's 2020/21 Operational Plan as at 30 September 2020.

RESOLVED 222/20	Cr Peart/Cr Mockler
That the 2020/21 Operational Plan Review for the quarter ended 30 September 2020 be adopted.	

QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

SUMMARY

To detail the variances to the original estimates for the 2020/21 financial year as presented in the Quarterly Budget Review as at 30 September 2020. In addition, to report as to whether the Quarterly Budget Review indicates that the financial position of Council is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimates adopted by Council.

RESOLVED 223/20	Cr Wrigley/Cr Naden
That the Quarterly Budget Review document and report as at 30 June 2020 be adopted.	

Proceedings in Brief

Mr Guy McAnally-Elwin left the meeting at 5.00pm.

(ED.PG.1)

THE GIL CBD ACTIVATION UPDATE

SUMMARY

To provide an update on the activities and progress of 'the GIL' in 2020, within the aim of CBD activation.

RESOLVED 224/20	Cr Naden/Cr Baker
That the report be noted.	

FLYING FOX CAMP

SUMMARY

To advise that a flying fox camp has returned to the Gilgandra public swimming pool.

Proceedings in Brief

The Director Planning & Environment advised he had met with an officer from the Office of Environment & Heritage on site earlier today and Council is now in the process of developing a Flying Fox Camp Management Plan.

RESOLVED 225/20	Cr Mockler/Cr Baker
1. That Council take all necessary steps to displace the flying foxes in accordance with environmental management control plans.	
2. That a report be presented to a future meeting on the financial implications of such control.	

HERITAGE STRATEGY 2020-2023

SUMMARY

To present a revised Heritage Strategy for adoption.

RESOLVED 226/20	Cr Baker/Cr Peart
That the Heritage Strategy 2020-2023 be adopted.	

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for consideration and adoption.

<u>Aged Care Committee</u>	5 November 2020
<u>Disability Services Committee</u>	3 November 2020
<u>Sports Council</u>	2 November 2020

RESOLVED 227/20	Cr Naden/Cr Mockler
That the above listed Committee minutes be adopted.	

MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for notation.

Interagency 14 October 2020
Liquor Accord 20 October 2020

RESOLVED 228/20	Cr Baker/Cr Mudford
That the above listed Committee minutes be noted.	

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

RESOLVED 229/20	Cr Mudford/Cr Baker
That the reports be noted.	

(FM.DO.1)

CATEGORY A –
REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT – ST JOSEPH’S P&F DEBUTANTE BALL

SUMMARY

To advise of a request for support from St Joseph’s School.

RESOLVED 230/20	Cr Baker/Cr Wrigley
That an amount of \$324.60 in hall hire costs be waived.	

PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE

SUMMARY

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

RESOLVED 231/20	Cr Peart/Cr Naden
That receipt of the Category B correspondence be noted.	

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.08 PM.

Cr A Walker
Acting Mayor