



MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD ON

17 SEPTEMBER 2019

PRESENT

Councillors

D Batten (Mayor)  
A Walker (Deputy Mayor)  
S Baker  
G Johnson  
B Mockler  
N Mudford  
D Naden  
N Wrigley  
G Peart

Employees

D J Neeves  
General Manager  
N Alchin  
Director Corporate Services  
G McAnally-Elwin  
Acting Director Community Services  
D Colwell  
Director Infrastructure  
M Kelly  
Acting Director Planning & Environment  
J Prout  
Executive Assistant  
Brian Irvin  
Projects Manager

Proceedings of the meeting commenced at 4.00pm.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

ADJOURNMENTS

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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| <b>RESOLVED 175/19</b>  | Cr Peart/Cr Walker |
| That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 19 August 2019, 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

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| <b>RESOLVED 176/19</b>   | Cr Walker/Cr Baker |
| 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"><li>• Staff Leave (a)</li><li>• Gilgandra Industrial Estate (c)</li><li>• Tender 28/19 – Cooee Lodge Hostel Kitchens upgrade (d)</li></ul> |                    |

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| <b>RESOLVED 177/19</b>  | Cr Walker/Cr Baker |
| 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 or pending litigation and such other matters considered appropriate at 4.04pm. |                    |

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| <b>RESOLVED 182/19</b>  | Cr Johnson/Cr Walker |
| 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. |                      |

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Projects Manager, Brian Irvin, left the meeting at this time.

(RD.LI.1)

**MAYORAL MINUTE - 10/19**  
**NEWELL HIGHWAY TASKFORCE MEMBERSHIP**

SUMMARY

To seek Council's support to pay an annual membership fee to join the Newell Highway Task Force.

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| <b>RESOLVED 183/19</b>  | Cr Batten |
| That Council become a financial member of the Newell Highway Task Force at an annual membership fee of \$250. |           |

(GO.CO.1)

**MAYORAL MINUTE - 11/19**  
**MAYORAL COMMITMENTS**

SUMMARY

To advise of the Mayor's activities during the preceding month.

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| <b>RESOLVED 184/19</b>    | Cr Batten |
| That the report be noted. |           |

(GO.CO.1)

**DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST RETURNS**

SUMMARY

To table disclosure of interest returns from Councillors and designated staff for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

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| <b>RESOLVED 185/19</b>   | Cr Johnson/Cr Peart |
| That Council note the tabling of disclosure of interest returns for Councillors and designated persons for the period ending 30 June 2019. |                     |

(GO.ME.1)

**MEETINGS – CHANGE OF SCHEDULED MEETING DATE AND SCHEDULING EXTRAORDINARY MEETING DATE**

**SUMMARY**

To consider a change of date for Council's ordinary October meeting and to set a date for an extraordinary meeting.

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| <b>RESOLVED 186/19</b>  | Cr Mudford/Cr Naden |
| 1. That the scheduled ordinary October Council meeting be deferred by one week and held on 22 October 2019.                       |                     |
| 2. That an extraordinary Council meeting be held at 2pm on Monday, 30 September 2019 to progress Council's Organisational Review. |                     |

(PE.GN.1)

**OUTDOOR STAFF PICNIC**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of a request from the Outdoor Staff Picnic Committee to hold the annual picnic on Friday, 4 October 2019.

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| <b>RESOLVED 187/19</b>   | Cr Peart/Cr Mudford |
| 1. That Friday, 4 October 2019 be approved as Council's picnic day and Council declare a general shutdown.                 |                     |
| 2. That Council make a donation of \$200 towards the picnic and be funded from the Contributions and Donations allocation. |                     |

(FM.LO.1)

**LOAN FUNDING**

**SUMMARY**

To seek Council's resolution to sign and seal loan documentation from TCorp.

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| <b>RESOLVED 188/19</b>   | Cr Walker/Cr Mudford |
| That authority be granted to the Mayor and General Manager to sign and seal the Letter of Offer from T Corp. |                      |

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**TOORAWEEAH CWA REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR TELSTRA  
TOWER PROPOSAL FOR TOORAWEEAH**

**SUMMARY**

To consider a request by the Tooraweenah CWA for support for a proposal put forward by the CWA to have a Telstra tower constructed at Tooraweenah.

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The Director Corporate Services clarified the total cost of the project was \$114,000.

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| <b>RESOLVED 189/19</b>  | Cr Mockler/Cr Johnson |
| 1. That Council acknowledge the poor telecommunications in Tooraweenah and surrounding districts and commend the CWA Tooraweenah branch on their initiative to lodge an application to the Telstra tower Mobile Black Spot submission under Round 5 and provide in principle support for the application, without committing funding at this stage. |                       |
| 2. That Council develop a telecommunications strategy, with the aim at prioritising areas with the Gilgandra Local Government Area for inclusion in the NSW State Government's Digital Connectivity Program.  |                       |

(GS.PG.1)

**GILGANDRA GARDEN CLUB – OFFER TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL  
SEAT - WINDMILL WALK**

**SUMMARY**

To advise of an offer from the Garden Club to purchase an additional garden seat along the Windmill Walk in close proximity to the GK Rohr rose bed in Miller Street.

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| <b>RESOLVED 190/19</b>   | Cr Johnson/Cr Naden |
| That Council accept the Garden Club's offer to purchase an additional seat for the Windmill Walk with Council to meet associated installation costs. |                     |

**MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR ADOPTION**

**SUMMARY**

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

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| <u>Economic Development Committee</u>   | 28 August 2019 |
| <u>Sports Council</u>                   | 26 August 2019 |
| <u>Tooraweenah Management Committee</u> | 28 August 2019 |

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It was noted that RDA Orana was driving the Steps to Settlement Success opportunity

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| <b>RESOLVED 191/19</b>                              | Cr Baker/Cr Wrigley |
| That the above listed Committee minutes be adopted. |                     |

**MINUTES – COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR NOTATION**

SUMMARY

To present the following minutes of Committee meetings for notation.

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| <u>Local Emergency Management Committee</u> | 27 August 2019 |
| <u>Traffic Committee</u>                    | 28 August 2019 |

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| <b>RESOLVED 192/19</b>                            | Cr Mockler/Cr Wrigley |
| That the above listed Committee minutes be noted. |                       |

**REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND NOTATION**

SUMMARY

To present reports for information and notation.

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| <b>RESOLVED 193/19</b>     | Cr Johnson/Cr Peart |
| That the reports be noted. |                     |

**PRECIS OF CATEGORY B CORRESPONDENCE**

SUMMARY

To pass on relevant information from correspondence received.

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| <b>RESOLVED 194/19</b>                                  | Cr Baker/Cr Johnson |
| That receipt of the Category B correspondence be noted. |                     |

LATE REPORT

(CM.CF.1)

**MAYORAL MINUTE - 12/19**

**SUSTAINING THE REGIONS – A JOINT ORGANISATION AND DROUGHT FORUM**

SUMMARY

To advise of a “Sustaining the Regions” forum being hosted by Local Government NSW in Sydney on 1-2 October 2019.

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| <b>RESOLVED 195/19</b>  | Cr Batten |
| That the Mayor and any interested Councillors attend the forum. |           |

Crs Peart, Mudford and Walker to attend with the Mayor.

QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

| No. | Councillor       | Question  |
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| 1   | Cr Walker        | REQUEST FROM AERO CLUB<br>The Aero Club are querying the availability of funding for a kangaroo-proof fence and the possibility of upgrading the taxi-way from the shed to the existing runway. |
|     | MAYORAL COMMENT: | A report will be prepared for the October meeting.  |

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4.56PM.

Cr D Batten  
Mayor