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PRESENT Clrs K Beatty (in the Chair), P Batten, J Jones, M Nash, L Oldham, A Pull, A Rawson, J Weaver.

Also present were the General Manager, Acting Deputy General Manager - Cabonne Services, Deputy General Manager - Cabonne Infrastructure, IT Coordinator, Department Leader – Governance & Corporate Performance and Governance Officer.

It was noted the time being 2.02pm the Mayor called for a minute silence to acknowledge the passing of former councillor Mr Kevin Walker from Canowindra, and the passing of Lucy Smith, Yeoval Central School Year 12 student and school captain.

ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION

ITEM - 1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Proceedings in Brief

An apology was tendered on behalf of Clr O’Ryan for her absence from the meeting.

MOTION (Oldham/Rawson)

THAT the apology tendered on behalf of Clr O’Ryan be accepted and the necessary leave of absence be granted.

23/08/01 Carried

ITEM - 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Rawson declared an interest (identified as a perceived conflict of interest, non-significant, non-pecuniary) in item 9 as he is an Australian National Field Days committee member.

Clr Batten declared an interest (identified as an actual conflict of interest, significant non-pecuniary) in items 9 and 18 as he is the Chairperson/President of the Molong Advancement Group.

MOTION (Weaver/Nash)

THAT the declarations of interest be noted.

23/08/02 Carried

ITEM - 3 DECLARATIONS OF POLITICAL DONATION

MOTION (Oldham/Rawson)

THAT it be noted there were nil declarations for political donations.

23/08/03 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.04pm there was a Youth of the Month award presentation to Courtney Muchineripi.

ITEM - 4 MAYORAL MINUTE - APPOINTMENTS

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Beatty

25/07/23 – Attended Molong Office for a meeting with Mr Philip Donato, MP. Attended meeting with the Hon. Kate Washington, MP regarding a funding announcement. Attended a media conference. Attended interviews with Prime News and Win News. Attended Ordinary council meeting.

27/07/23 – Attended a Citizenship Ceremony at the Molong Office.

28/07/23 – Attended the Central NSW Joint Organisation (CNSWJO) subcommittee meeting.

2/08/23 – Interview with Neil Gill radio program.

3/08/23-4/08/23 – Attended the Country Mayors Association of NSW Inc. General Meeting in Sydney.

8/08/23 – Attended meeting with Mr Philip Donato, MP and The Hon. Paul Scully, MP at the Molong Office. Attended meeting with Cudal flood victims with the Hon. Paul Scully, MP. Attended the CNSWJO committee meeting in Forbes with the Hon. Paul Scully, MP and the Hon. Jihad Dib, MP.

9/08/23 – Attended Eugowra with the Hon. Paul Scully, MP, the Hon. Jihad Dib, MP, Mr Philip Donato, MP and the Hon. Andrew Gee, MP. Interviews with Prime News, Win News and ABC National News. Attended meeting with the Hon. Paul Scully, MP and the Hon. Jihad Dib, MP and attended the Eugowra Flood Recovery committee meeting.

10/08/23 – Interview with Life Newspaper regarding flood recovery. Interview with ABC National News regarding flood recovery.

11/08/23 – Attended Down Town Fitness Molong opening. Interview with Prime News.

15/08/23 – Attended meeting with General Manager at the Molong Office. Attended Lucy Smith's funeral service in Yeoval.

16/08/23 – Interview with Neil Gill Radio Program.

Clr Jones

25/07/23 – Attended the business paper review and Ordinary council meeting.

26/07/23 – Attended the Cudal Central Incorporated meeting.

4/08/23 – Attended Canowindra and Eugowra with the Governor of NSW, her Excellency the Hon. Margaret Beazley and Mr Wilson.

8/08/23 – Attended Councillor Workshop. Attended the Eugowra Progress Association meeting.

10/08/23 – Attended the Molong Advancement Group Meeting.

Clr Rawson

25/07/23 – Attended Ordinary council meeting.

1/08/23 – Attended Local Government Week Coffee with a Councillor in Cudal. Interview with Prime News.

2/08/23 – Attended Local Government Week Coffee with a Councillor in Cargo.

7/08/23 – Attended Mullion Creek Progress Association meeting in Mullion Creek.

8/08/23 – Attended Councillor Workshop and committee meeting in Molong.

16/08/23 – Attended Central Tablelands Water board meeting via Microsoft Teams.

Clr Batten

25/07/23 – Attended Ordinary council meeting.

3/08/23 – Attended Mining and Energy Related Councils meeting at Parliament House in Sydney.

8/08/23 – Attended Councillor Workshop and committee meeting in Molong.

15/08/23 – Attended Lucy Smith's funeral service in Yeoval.

16/08/23 – Attended the Canobolas Zone Bushfire Liaison committee meeting in Orange.

17/08/23 – Attended Cumnock Progress Association meeting in Cumnock.

Clr Nash

31/07/23 – Attended Local Government Week Coffee with a Councillor in Cumnock.

1/08/23 – Attended Local Government Week school visits at St Joseph's School Manildra and Manildra Public School and Coffee with a Councillor in Manildra.

2/08/23 – Attended Manildra and District Improvement Association meeting. Attended Local Government Week school visit at Borenore Public School.

4/08/23 – Attended Local Government Week school visits at Mullion Creek Public School and Nashdale Public School. Attended meeting with board members of Manildra Public School to discuss rescheduling of meetings.

8/08/23 – Attended committee meeting in Molong.

16/08/23 – Attended Central Tablelands Water committee meeting in Blayney.

18/08/23 – Attended Manildra Public School and St Joseph's School Manildra with Central Tablelands Water.

19/08/23 – Attended Housing Forum in Parkes.

22/08/23 – Attended Ordinary council meeting.

Clr Weaver

3/08/23 – Attended Local Government Week Coffee with a Councillor in Eugowra.

4/08/23 – Attended Local Government Week Coffee with a Councillor in Canowindra.

8/08/23 – Attended Councillor Workshop.

10/08/23 – Attended Banjo Paterson meeting in Orange.

18/08/23 – Attended Vietnam Commemoration.

20/08/23 – Attended meeting with Canowindra Golf Club regarding disc golf.

21/08/23 – Attended Canowindra Progress Association meeting.

22/08/23 – Attended Ordinary council meeting.

MOTION (Beatty/-)

THAT the information contained in the Mayoral Minute be noted.

23/08/04 Carried

ITEM - 21 MAYORAL MINUTE - PASSING OF KEVIN WALKER

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Rawson noted he had received a letter from the Chair, David Somerville of Central Tablelands Water and would like to share it with council. He said "Despite his illness Kevin was always positive. As Deputy-Chair he was always a great support over many years, he will be sorely missed but fondly remembered in the Canowindra community and the broader Cabonne area."

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the passing of Kevin Walker be recognised with one minutes silence.

ITEM - 5 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Proceedings in Brief

It was noted Clr Jones called item 12 to be debated in Committee of the Whole.

MOTION (Oldham/Pull)

THAT item 12 be debated in Committee of the Whole.

23/08/05 Carried

ITEM - 6 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

MOTION (Nash/Rawson)

THAT the minutes of the following meetings be adopted:

1. Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 July 2023;
2. Community, Economy & Culture Committee held on 08 August 2023;
3. Infrastructure (Transport) Committee held on 08 August 2023.

23/08/06 Carried

MOTION (Jones/Nash)

THAT Council hereby resolve itself into Committee of the Whole.

23/08/07 Carried

ITEM - 7 2023 LGNSW STATE CONFERENCE - SUBMISSION OF MOTIONS

Proceedings in Brief

Stronger Country Communities Fund

That LGNSW lobby the NSW Government to:

1. Recognises the positive impact the Stronger Country Communities Fund has had on rural and regional communities across NSW by providing new and upgraded community infrastructure and programs.
2. Prioritise continued commitment of at least \$160 million, each year, towards the Stronger Country Communities.

Rural Fire Service – Firefighting Fleet

That LGNSW lobby the NSW Government to provide funding for the rural fire service annual repairs and maintenance budget for firefighting fleet, including annual indexation based on the Consumer Price Index.

MOTION (Pull/Jones)

THAT the Motions outlined in the report be submitted to the 2023 LGNSW State Conference, incorporating the amendments as detailed in the proceedings in brief.

23/08/08 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.27pm the Mayor resumed the ordinary meeting.

ITEM - 8 AUSTRALIA DAY 2024

MOTION (Weaver/Nash)

THAT council note the schedule for Australia Day 2024.

23/08/09 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.30pm Clr Rawson declared an interest in item 9 sub section 1 and left the Chamber.

It was noted the time being 2.31pm Clr Batten declared an interest in item 9 sub section 2 and left the Chamber.

ITEM - 9 SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

MOTION (Pull/Nash)

THAT council provide, under its 2023/2024 Sponsorship Program:

1. \$15,000 to the Australian National Field Days Committee for the 2023 field days,

2. \$18,000 to the Molong Advancement Group for the 2024 Molong Markets.

23/08/10 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.31pm Clr Rawson returned to the Chamber.

It was noted the time being 2.32pm Clr Batten returned to the Chamber.

ITEM - 10 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2023/24

MOTION (Nash/Weaver)

THAT the information be noted.

23/08/11 Carried

ITEM - 11 GOVERNMENT INFORMATION PUBLIC ACCESS ACT 2009 (GIPA) AGENCY INFORMATION GUIDE - ANNUAL REVIEW

MOTION (Rawson/Jones)

THAT council adopt the draft 2023/24 Agency Information Guide annexed to the report.

23/08/12 Carried

It was noted item 12 was moved to Committee of the Whole.

ITEM - 13 CABONNE COUNCIL CARAVAN PARKS

MOTION (Nash/Weaver)

THAT council endorse the revisions to the Canowindra Caravan Park Cabin Project scope and change the name of project to be Cabonne Council Caravan Park Improvements.

23/08/13 Carried

ITEM - 14 QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Nash advised that she had recently attended a housing forum in Parkes and noted that there is a push for local councils to lobby government to allow tiny house development as secondary dwellings. She requested council investigate/consider this matter as a move to mitigate current housing issues.

Clr Nash queried the timeframe for the toilet block construction at Montana Park in Manildra as the community is waiting to utilise funding received to hold an open day.

MOTION (Nash/Rawson)

THAT council receive a report in relation to the following:

1. Tiny house development as secondary dwellings; and
2. Timeframe for construction of the toilet block at Montana Park in Manildra.

23/08/14 Carried

ITEM - 15 BUSINESS PAPER ITEMS FOR NOTING

Proceedings in Brief

It was noted Clr Batten called Item 2 to be further considered.

MOTION (Batten/Jones)

THAT:

1. Item 2 be further considered.
2. The remaining notation items be noted.

23/08/15 Carried

ITEM - 2 COUNTRY EDUCATION FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA COUNCIL DONATION UPDATE

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Batten noted that council have an opportunity to establish a relationship with the Country Education Foundation to support children with disadvantaged backgrounds to access education.

MOTION (Batten/Jones)

THAT the information be noted.

23/08/16 Carried

ITEM - 16 MATTERS OF URGENCY

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Batten noted, on behalf of the Cumnock Progress Association, concern for the deterioration of Banjo Paterson Way, particularly to the north of Cumnock near the "Brookvale" property. He stressed that the extent of deterioration in the road surface is now considered to be a hazard with a potential accident waiting to happen.

The Deputy General Manager Infrastructure provided further information and confirmed that the section of road has been subject to a flood damage assessment and council are in the process of preparing submissions for that section of road. He further stated that he suspects, once council have the relevant approvals, that council will need to consider any shortfalls in the funding and undertake the work with haste.

MOTION (Rawson/Nash)

THAT it be noted Clr Batten raised deterioration of Banjo Paterson Way, north of Cumnock as a matter of urgency.

23/08/17 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.51pm Clr Batten declared an interest in item 18 and left the Chamber.

ITEM - 18 PROJECTS - MOLONG RECREATION GROUND

Proceedings in Brief

The Mayor noted that there was a typing error in the report, where it states the Molong Advancement Group were donating \$2,350 it should be \$2,530.

RECOMMENDATION (Nash/Jones)

THAT Council approve the revision of scope for the Molong Recreation Ground footpaths construction, with a new scope of works to include construction of a new half-court basketball court and concrete apron from the amenities building to the playground.

Carried

It was noted the time being 2.53pm Clr Batten returned to the Chamber.

ITEM - 19 CHILD SAFE ORGANISATION

MOTION (Pull/Weaver)

THAT council endorse the:

1. Draft Child Safe Policy (Strategic) Policy
2. Place the Draft Child Safe (Strategic) Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

23/08/18 Carried

ITEM - 20 EVENTS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Proceedings in Brief

The Mayor advised that application number 2 from the Eugowra Show Society does not meet the funding guidelines and suggested amending to be funded from the Community Facilitation Fund.

MOTION (Nash/Pull)

THAT council endorse under its 2023/24 Event Assistance Program:

1. \$5,000 for Eugowra Harness Racing Club for the 2023 Canola Cup, and;
2. \$4,000 for Eugowra Show Society for show entertainment.

AMENDMENT (Nash/Pull)

THAT council endorse:

1. under its 2023/24 Event Assistance Program, \$5,000 for Eugowra Harness Racing Club for the 2023 Canola Cup; and
2. under its Community Facilitation Fund, \$4,000 for the Eugowra Show Society for show entertainment.

The amendment was put and carried becoming the motion, the motion was put and carried.

MOTION (Nash/Pull)

THAT council endorse:

1. under its 2023/24 Event Assistance Program, \$5,000 for Eugowra Harness Racing Club for the 2023 Canola Cup; and
2. under its Community Facilitation Fund, \$4,000 for the Eugowra Show Society for show entertainment.

23/08/19 Carried

ITEM - 17 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SECTION OF THE MEETING

MOTION (Rawson/Batten)

THAT council hereby resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to discuss matters called earlier in the meeting.

23/08/20 Carried

ITEM - 12 DRAFT ROAD VERGES POLICY

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Jones requested an amendment to the policy to include a payment plan option and a pensioner rebate of 25% for kerb and guttering only.

Clr Batten requested advice from the Deputy General Manager Infrastructure on implications of this amendment. The Deputy General Manager Infrastructure provided clarification.

RECOMMENDATION (Rawson/Batten)

THAT council endorse the draft Road Verges Policy for public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

AMENDMENT (Jones/Nash)

THAT the draft Road Verges Policy be amended to include a payment plan option and a pensioner rebate of 25% for kerb and guttering only, prior to being placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

The amendment was put and carried becoming the motion, the motion was put and carried.

RECOMMENDATION (Jones/Nash)

THAT the draft Road Verges Policy be amended to include a payment plan option and a pensioner rebate of 25% for kerb and guttering only, prior to being placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

1. Carried

It was noted the time being 2.59pm the Chair announced that the Council would now be resolving into a Closed Committee of the Whole.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM - 1 CARRYING OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION INTO CLOSED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

RECOMMENDATION (Oldham/Weaver)

THAT the committee now hereby resolve into Closed Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussing matters of a confidential nature relating to personnel or industrial matters, personal finances and matters which the publicity of which the Committee considers would be prejudicial to the Council or the individual concerned and that the press and the public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the conditions of Council's Confidentiality Policy AND FURTHER that as reports to the Closed Committee of the Whole are likely to be confidential and their release prejudicial to the public interest and the provisions of Council's confidentiality policy, that copies of these reports not be made available to the press and public.

2. Carried

ITEM - 2 CONTRACT 1548796 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF WASHPEN CREEK BRIDGE

RECOMMENDATION (Batten/Jones)

THAT Council:

1. Accept the Tender of Central Industries Pty Ltd for \$2,194,373.18 (excl GST) and enter into a contract for the design and construction of the Washpen Creek Bridge on Gundong Road.
2. Authorise any variation to the Contract for the project provided the variations are contained within the overall approved budget.
3. Note the additional funds requirement of \$246,530.34 to construct the Washpen Creek Bridge, with adjustments to be made to the project budget at the first quarter budget review.

3. Carried

ITEM - 3 CONTRACT 1486044 SUPPLY AND INSTALL FOOTPATHS

RECOMMENDATION (Jones/Rawson)

THAT council:

1. Accept the Tender of PA & CL McKenzie and enter into a contract for the supply and installation of Footpaths at various locations across the Cabonne LGA.
2. Authorise any variation to the Contract for the project provided the variations are contained within the overall approved budget.

4. Carried

It was noted the time being 3.01pm the Chair resumed the Ordinary council meeting.

REPORT & RESOLUTIONS OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOTION (Oldham/Rawson)

THAT the Report and Recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Tuesday 22 August, 2023 be adopted.

23/08/21 Carried

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.02pm.

CHAIRMAN.

Chairman of the Ordinary Meeting of Cabonne Council held on the 26 September, 2023 at which meeting the listed minutes were confirmed and the signature hereon was subscribed.