



Bulloo
Shire

MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

20 March 2025

**MINUTES OF BULLOO SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 68 DOWLING STREET THARGOMINDAH QUEENSLAND 4492
ON THURSDAY, 20 MARCH 2025 AT 9:00 AM**

PRESENT: Cr John Ferguson (Mayor), Cr Glyn Dare (Deputy Mayor), Cr Stewart Morton,
Cr Russell Ferguson, Cr Maurice Parker

IN ATTENDANCE: Tiffany Dare (Chief Executive Officer), Zoe Forge (Minute Taker)

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor welcomed all Councillors and guests and declared the meeting open at 9:17am.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Bulloo Shire Council acknowledges the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting is being held, and pay respects to their elders, past and present.

3 ATTENDANCE INCLUDING APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONDOLENCES

Nil

5 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- Pursuant to section 172 of the Local Government Act 2009, a councillor who has a material personal interest in an issue to be considered at a meeting of the local government, or any of its committees
 - (a) must disclose the interest to the meeting; and
 - (b) must not be present at or take part in the meeting while the issue is being considered or voted on.
- A councillor who is barred from a meeting under subsection (1) must not be in the chamber where the meeting is being conducted, including any area set apart for the public.

Councillor	Conflict of Interest	Meeting Item
Cr John Ferguson	Student Bursary 2025/2025	14.3
Cr Glyn Dare	Student Bursary 2025/2025	14.3

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**6.1 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING - 20 FEBRUARY 2025****RESOLUTION 2025/37**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 20 February 2025 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

CARRIED

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

8 RECEPTION OF PETITIONS

Nil

9 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

10 RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

11 MAYORAL REPORTS**11.1 MAYORS REPORT****RESOLUTION 2025/38**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council receive and note the Mayors Report for the month of February 2025.

CARRIED

12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS**12.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT****RESOLUTION 2025/39**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council receive and note the Chief Executive Officer's report for the month of February 2025.

CARRIED

13 COMMITTEE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING**13.1 MINUTES OF AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING - 18 FEBRUARY 2025****RESOLUTION 2025/40**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That the Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 18 February 2025 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

CARRIED

Adjournment

Council adjourned for morning tea at 9:40am.

Council recommenced the meeting at 9:59am.

14 GENERAL BUSINESS & MATTERS FOR NOTING REPORTS**14.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL****RESOLUTION 2025/41**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council adopt the remuneration rates as decided by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal from 1 July 2025.

Category	Remuneration	
Category A1	Mayor	\$122,975.00
	Deputy Mayor	\$ 70,946.00
	Councillors	\$ 61,486.00

CARRIED

14.2 REGISTER OF DELEGATIONS - COUNCIL TO CEO**RESOLUTION 2025/42**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council

- (a) Revoke all previous State Legislation delegations from Council to the Chief Executive Officer.
- (b) Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the powers and functions from State legislation and as contained in the Register of Delegations - Council to CEO schedules A and B attached to this Report pursuant to Section 259 of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

CONFLICT OF INTEREST – 14.3

I, Councillor John Ferguson, inform the meeting that I have a Prescribed Conflict of Interest as a result of Item 14.3 Student Bursary 2025/2026 as I am the grandfather of Miss Amity Warner. As a result of my conflict of interest, I will now leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on.

Cr Ferguson left the meeting at 10:08am.

I, Councillor Glyn Dare, inform the meeting that I have a Prescribed Conflict of Interest as a result of Item 14.3 Student Bursary 2025/2026 as I am the uncle of Mr James Pike. As a result of my conflict of interest, I will now leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on.

Cr Dare left the meeting at 10:08am.

14.3 STUDENT BURSARY 2025/2026**RESOLUTION 2025/43**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council

- a) grant the Bulloo Shire Council Two Year Bursary for 2025/26 & 2026/27, of \$3,000.00 per annum, to Mr James Pike.
- b) grant the Bulloo Shire Council Two Year Bursary for 2025/26 & 2026/27, of \$3,000.00 per annum, to Miss Amity Warner.
- c) amend the Student Bursary Policy to include a clause stating that successful applicants from previous rounds of the bursary may reapply only once.

CARRIED

Attendance

Cr Ferguson and Cr Dare returned to the meeting at 10:15am.

14.4 HUNGERFORD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION - REQUEST FOR SUPPORT TO INSTALL NEW AMENITIES BUILDING AT ROSS WALLACE SPORTS GROUNDS**RESOLUTION 2025/44**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council

- a) contribute \$35,000 towards the construction of the new amenity building at the Ross Wallace Sports Grounds.
- b) amend the budget accordingly to reflect this contribution.

CARRIED

14.5 HUNGERFORD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION - REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES PLANT & EQUIPMENT HIRE**RESOLUTION 2025/45**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council approve the request from Hungerford Progress Association and waive plant hire fees for the use of the Council Front End Loader and Water Truck at the Hungerford Field Day 2025.

CARRIED

Attendance

Kate Humphris, Admin & Finance Manager, and Tasha O'Shannessy, Senior Finance Officer, entered the meeting at 10:25am.

14.6 ADMIN & FINANCE REPORT**RESOLUTION 2025/46**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council receive and note the Administration & Finance Services Report for February 2025.

CARRIED

14.7 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT**RESOLUTION 2025/47**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council adopt the Financial Performance Report for period ending 28th February 2025 in accordance with Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

CARRIED

14.8 SHEPHERD SERVICES PTY LTD - QRA FLOOD DAMAGE - PROJECT MANAGEMENT**RESOLUTION 2025/48**

Moved: Cr Russell Ferguson

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council approve the engagement of Shepherd Services under Local Buy contract LB279 for the provision of resources to manage the delivery of flood damage projects for submissions BSC.51 and BSC.53 to a total cost of \$796,135.00 GST exclusive.

CARRIED

14.9 T2024-2025-110 WATER CART HIRE (RRUPP)**RESOLUTION 2025/49**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council accept the tender from

- Tolbra for the supply of two (2) water carts; and
- Half Hitch Contracting for the supply of one (1) water cart.

CARRIED

14.10 T2024-2025-111 REGISTER OF PREQUALIFIED SUPPLIERS**RESOLUTION 2025/50**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council:

- a) accept the tenders from the following suppliers and include them onto Council's Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers (RoPS):

- Galloway Advisory;
- Duffs Mechanical;
- GTE1;
- Pickles Auctioneers;
- D&D Concreting Services;
- Haynes;
- Gilby & Tonkin Mechanical T/A Quilpie Towing;
- BR Bowen; and

b) Remove the following suppliers from Council's Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers (RoPS):

- AT Selmes;
- Cutting Edge;
- Murray Leech Transport;
- New State Builders;
- Shirley Hilt;
- Shirley Hilt & Robert Hilt;
- W Project.

CARRIED

14.11 SOLE SUPPLIER ARRANGEMENTS

RESOLUTION 2025/51

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council:

- a) Approve the suppliers on the Sole Supplier Arrangement list as sole suppliers within the scope listed below, pursuant to sections 235(a) and 235(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld), as Council is satisfied that there is only one (1) supplier reasonably available to provide the goods/services listed or because of the specialised or confidential nature of the services sought; and
- b) Undertake a review of the Sole Supplier Arrangement on an annual basis with a report provided to Council.

CARRIED

14.12 COUNTRY ROADS CONNECT PROGRAM FUNDING APPLICATION**RESOLUTION 2025/52**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council endorse the submission of a funding application under the Queensland Government's Country Roads Connect Program for the Warri Gate Road Seal Project, with a funding request of \$5 million.

CARRIED

14.13 COMMUNITY ENERGY UPGRADES FUND ROUND 2 APPLICATION**RESOLUTION 2025/53**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council:

- a) Approve the submission of an application to the Australian Government's Community Energy Upgrades Fund Round 2 for the project titled "Bulloo Shire Solar and Energy Automation Initiative.";
- b) Commit to providing a 50% co-contribution for the total project cost, being approximately \$26,500; and
- c) Included the project in the 2025/2026 Budget if the application is successful.

CARRIED

Attendance

Kate Humphris, Admin & Finance Manager, and Tasha O'Shannessy, Senior Finance Officer, left the meeting at 11:09am.

14.14 RURAL & TOWN SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT**RESOLUTION 2025/54**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council receive and note the Rural Services Department Report for February 2025.

CARRIED

14.15 COMMUNITY, CULTURE & PLACES REPORT**RESOLUTION 2025/55**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council receive and note the Community, Culture & Places report for the month of February 2025.

CARRIED

Attendance

George Inocentes, Engineer, entered the meeting at 11:24am.

14.16 OPERATIONAL SERVICES REPORT**RESOLUTION 2025/56**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Russell Ferguson

That Council receive and note the Operational Services Report for February 2025.

CARRIED

14.17 MIDWAY BORE REPAIR OPTIONS**RESOLUTION 2025/57**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Maurice Parker

That Council allocates \$15,000 for the repair and upgrade of the Midway Bore on Warri Gate Road to an air bore system.

CARRIED

Attendance

George Inocentes, Engineer, left the meeting at 12:23pm.

15 LATE ITEMS

Nil

16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

17 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on 17 April 2025.

18 CLOSURE

The Meeting closed at 12:23pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 April 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON