

Ordinary Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Tuesday 18 July 2023

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie



MINUTES OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL BOARDROOM, 50 BROLGA STREET, QUILPIE ON TUESDAY, 18 JULY 2023 AT 09:30AM

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.28am

2 ATTENDANCE

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor), Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor), Cr Lyn Barnes, Cr Bruce Paulsen, Cr Roger Volz

In Attendance: Mr Justin Hancock (Chief Executive Officer), Ms Lisa Hamlyn (Director Corporate and Community Services), Mr Brian Weeks (Acting Director Engineering Services), Ms Lorraine Mathieson (Secretariat)

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONDOLENCES

None noted

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Chapter 5B of the Local Government Act 2009 (the Act) requires Councillors to declare a Prescribed or Declarable Conflict of Interest. The Declaration is to be made in writing to the Chief Executive Officer, before the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Cr Mackenzie declared a prescribed interest in items 14.2 and 14.6.

Cr Paulsen declared a prescribed interest in item 11.3.

6 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 ORDINARY MEETING OF QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2023

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC112-07-23)

Moved: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded: Cr Roger Volz

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 20 June 2023 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

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7 ITEMS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil

8 MAYORAL REPORT

- 26/06/23 South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils Meeting (zoom)
- 01/07/23 Outback Masters Dinner Welcome
- 04/07/23 Council Workshop
- 05/07/23 Ernst and Young Regional Economic Future Fund Meeting (zoom)
- 13/07/23 Dinner with Queensland Small Mining Association (Kevin Phillips), Shadow Minister for Resources Pat Weir and Member for Gregory Lachlan Miller

9 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Details	Date of Meeting	Location	Mackenzie	Hewson	Paulsen	Volz	Barnes
Ordinary Council Meeting	20-Jun-23	Quilpie	1	1	1	1	1
SWQROC Meeting	26-Jun-23	Zoom	1				
Western Queensland Public Health Network	26-Jun-23	Charleville		1			
Outback Masters Dinner Welcome	1-Jul-23	Quilpie	1	1	1	1	
Outback Masters Golf	1 & 2 Jul-23	Quilpie	1	1	1	1	
Indigenous Gallery Exhibition Opening	2-Jul-23	Quilpie		1		1	
Councillors Workshop	4-Jul-23	Quilpie	1	1		1	1
Ernst & Young REFF Meeting	5-Jul-23	Zoom	1				
Small Miners Association Dinner	13-Jul-23	Quilpie	1				1
Cultural Heritage Booklet Launch	17-Jul-23	Quilpie		1		1	
Council Staff Budget Breakfast	18-Jul-23	Quilpie	1	1	1	1	1

10 OPERATIONAL STATUS REPORTS

10.1 ENGINEERING SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.1.1 MONTHLY STATUS REPORT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES JUNE 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is about works carried out by Engineering Services during June 2023.

Noted

10.2 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.2.1 PEST AND LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides information and updates to Council on various activities and programs that are facilitated within the Pest and Livestock Management Coordinator's portfolio.

Noted

10.2.2 HEALTH PROMOTIONS OFFICER STATUS REPORT

To provide Council a Quarterly Report for Health Promotions

Noted

10.2.3 LIBRARIAN STATUS REPORT APRIL TO JUNE 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To provide an update to Council on library activities from April to June 2023.

Noted

10.2.4 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides information and updates to Council on various activities and programs that are facilitated within the Director Corporate and Community Services portfolio.

Noted

10.3 FINANCE SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.3.1 FINANCIAL SERVICES STATUS REPORT - JUNE 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is to provide Council with an update on financial services for month ending 30 June 2023.

Noted

10.4 GOVERNANCE SERVICES STATUS REPORTS

10.4.1 TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to update Council on Tourism and Economic Development activities during June 2023.

Noted

10.4.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

This report provides information and updates to Council on various activities and programs that are facilitated within the Chief Executive Officer's portfolio.

Noted

11 ENGINEERING SERVICES

11.1 SOUTH WEST QUEENSLAND WATER AND SEWERAGE ALLIANCE TENDER FOR CCTV RECORDING OF SEWERAGE MAINS AND MANHOLES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Quilpie Shire Council acts as the Chair of the Southwest Queensland Water and Sewerage Alliance (SWQWSA) and acts as the Group's banker and administrative centre. The Quilpie Shire Mayor chairs the Elected Members, and the Director of Engineering Services chairs the Technical Group.

The SWQWSA was successful in obtaining a grant to assess and prioritise future water and sewerage projects across the area of the Alliance made up of the six Councils. Initial data collection has been carried out by GBA Engineers. The next step is to carry out asset condition assessments. Tenders were called by GBA Engineers, and an analysis of the tenders has been carried out. This report recommends the award of the contract.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC113-07-23)

Moved: Cr Bruce Paulsen Seconded: Cr Roger Volz

That Council:

- 1. Accept the report on behalf of the SWQWSA;
- 2. Award the tender SWQWSA 230035.9 SWQWSA Sewer & Manhole CCTV to Insight Asset Services Pty Ltd for a total of \$1,063,098 excluding GST; and
- 3. Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to negotiate, finalise and execute all matters associated with or in relation to this tender and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy to vary the works to be carried out.

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11.2 RESOLUTIONS FOR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FUNDING FOR TOOMPINE BORE, QUILPIE SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT DESIGN, AND SOUTHWEST QUEENSLAND WATER AND SEWERAGE ALLIANCE FUNDING.

Council has received funding from the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning for the following Projects:

- Building Our Regions R6 Pla 0021 Quilpie Sewage Treatment Plant Replacement
- Building Our Regions R6 Infra 0050 Toompine Town Bore Replacement.

The Council is also managing Building Our Regions R6 Pla 0008 - Southwest Queensland Water and Sewerage Alliance - Water and Sewerage Infrastructure Strategy on behalf of the Southwest Water and Sewerage Alliance.

The Department requires resolutions of Council, and of behalf of the Alliance regarding the funding.

Council has already budgeted for these works and approved all the tenders associated with these works to date. This also includes works on behalf of the Southwest Queensland Water and Sewerage Alliance.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC114-07-23)

Moved: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded: Cr Roger Volz

That Council resolves to accept that:

- 1. BoR R6 Pla 0021 Quilpie Sewage Treatment Plant Replacement
- Council has budgeted for its contribution towards the Quilpie Sewage Treatment Plant replacement.
- Council is committed to delivering the Project.
- Council acknowledges responsibility for any funding shortfall, if costs change

2. BoR R6 Infra 0050 - Toompine Town Bore Replacement.

- Council has budgeted for its contribution towards the Toompine Town Bore Replacement.
- Council is committed to delivering the Project.
- Council acknowledges responsibility for any funding shortfall, if costs change
- 3. BoR R6 Pla 0008 Southwest Queensland Water and Sewerage Alliance Water and Sewerage Infrastructure Strategy

On behalf of the SWQWSA

- Council has budgeted for its contribution towards the Toompine Town Bore Replacement.
- Council is committed to delivering the Project.
- Council acknowledges responsibility for any funding shortfall, if costs change

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11.3 RFQL 18 22-23 FLOOD RESTORATION WORKS 2022-OLD THARGOMINDAH ROADS' PACKAGE

Cr Bruce Paulsen declared he/she has a prescribed conflict of interest (as defined by sections 150EG, 150EH and 150EI of the *Local Government Act 2009*) in matters regarding the SA Travers & SL Travers, sponsors of the Quilpie Golf Club.

Cr Bruce Paulsen is President of the Quilpie Golf Club . The Quilpie Golf Club stands to gain a financial benefit depending on the outcome of the matter.

Cr Bruce Paulsen advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he/she will leave the meeting while the matter is discussed.

At 10:03 am, Cr Bruce Paulsen left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a recommendation to award RFQL 18 22-23 Flood Restoration Works 2022 - Old Thargomindah Roads package for the Restoration of Essential Public Asset Works on Old Thargomindah Road, Kiandra Road, Wareo Road, Napolean Road and Duck Creek Road.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC115-07-23)

Moved: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council:

- Subject to funding approval and finalisation, award RFQL18 22-23 Old Thargomindah Roads PKG to SA Travers & SL Travers for an amount of \$1,577,063.38 excluding GST; and
- 2. Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement policy.

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At 10:05 am, Cr Bruce Paulsen returned to the meeting.

12 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

12.1 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE APPLICATION - QUILPIE & DISTRICT SHOW & RODEO COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Quilpie District Show & Rodeo Committee have submitted a Community Assistance Program application requesting the following:

- 50,000 litres of potable water plus Water Truck & Operator hire to transport to the show grounds. This water will be non-contaminated after use and can be reused as water for roads or irrigation.
- In-kind use of Generator and portable lighting (both solar and regular) from Friday 8 September to Monday 11 September, 2023.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC116-07-23)

Moved: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

1. That Council approves the Community Assistance Grant Application received from Quilpie District Show & Rodeo Committee to provide the following from 8 – 11 September, 2023:

(a) 50,000 litres of potable water plus Water Truck & Operator hire to transport to the show grounds. This water will be non-contaminated after use and can be reused as water for roads or irrigation.

(b) In-kind use of Generator and portable lighting (both solar and regular) from Friday to Monday.

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At 10:28 am, Cr Bruce Paulsen left the meeting.

At 10:30 am, Cr Bruce Paulsen returned to the meeting.

12.2 WILD DOG INFORMATION SHEET 2023-2024

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Quilpie Shire Wild Dog Information Sheet outlines Council's extensive support and investment in relation to Wild Dog / Pest Management Control within the Quilpie Shire, and itemises Council's financial support in relation to Wild Dog Control programs.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC117-07-23)

Moved: Cr Bruce Paulsen Seconded: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council adopts the Quilpie Shire Wild Dog Information Sheet 2023-2024 as presented.

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13 FINANCE

At 10.40am Sharon Frank, Manager Finance and Administration entered the meeting

13.1 INFORMATION & CYBER SECURITY POLICY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present to Council a new policy for adoption – CS.107 Information & Cyber Security Policy.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC118-07-23)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes Seconded: Cr Roger Volz

That Council adopt the Information and Cyber Security Policy as presented.

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13.2 ADDITON OF RENTAL CHARGES TO REGISTER OF COST-RECOVERY FEES AND COMMERCIAL CHARGES

The purpose of this report is to present the new Rental Charges for the newest council residences to be added to the Register of Cost-Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC119-07-23)

Moved: Cr Roger Volz Seconded: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council:

- 1. Receive and note the report; and
- 2. Adopt the new charges into the Register of Cost-Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges;

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13.3 REVIEW OF INVESTMENT POLICY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present an updated Investment Policy for Council's consideration and adoption.

The purpose of an Investment Policy is to provide Council with a contemporary approach to investments based on an assessment of market and liquidity risk within the legislative framework of the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982* and the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Regulations 2019*.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC120-07-23)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes Seconded: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council adopt the Investment Policy in accordance with section 191 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

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13.4 FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT MONTH ENDING 30 JUNE 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present the monthly financial report to Council in accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* for the period ended 30 June 2023.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC121-07-23)

Moved: Cr Roger Volz Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council receive the Monthly Finance Report for the period ending 30 June 2023.

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At 10.55am Sharon Frank, Manager Finance and Administration left the meeting.

At 10.56am Janelle Menzies, Manager, Governance and Compliance joined the meeting.

14 GOVERNANCE

14.1 OPERATIONAL PLAN 2022-23 FOURTH QUARTER UPDATE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report will present the fourth quarter update of the 2022/23 Operational Plan to Council.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC122-07-23)

Moved: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council notes the fourth quarter update for the 2022/23 Operational Plan.

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At 10:59 am, Cr Lyn Barnes left the meeting.

At 11.01 am, Cr Lyn Barnes returned to the meeting.

At 11.04 am, Cr Lyn Barnes left the meeting.

At 11.06 am, Cr Lyn Barnes returned to the meeting.

14.2 LEASE FOR APPROVAL

Cr Stuart Mackenzie declared he has a prescribed conflict of interest (as defined by sections 150EG, 150EH and 150EI of the *Local Government Act 2009*) in matters regarding the Outback Gondwana Foundation (OGF).

Cr Stuart Mackenzie is Director of OGF. The OGF stands to gain a financial benefit depending on the outcome of the matter.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he will leave the meeting while the matter is discussed.

At 11:12 am, Cr Stuart Mackenzie left the meeting. Cr Hewson assumed the Chair.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council have prepared a Form 13, 'Amending the Lease to the Outback Gondwana Foundation' to formalise Council's annual contributions for maintenance and the relevant terms and conditions.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC123-07-23)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes Seconded: Cr Bruce Paulsen

- 1. That the Council resolve:
 - to enter into a Form 13, Amendment to the Lease to Outback Gondwana Foundation to formalise the Council's annual contribution for maintenance and the relevant terms and conditions; and
 - (b) Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to negotiate, finalise, and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this lease agreement.

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14.6 GROWING REGIONS PROGRAM - ROUND 1

Cr Stuart Mackenzie declared he has a prescribed Conflict Of Interest (as defined by Sections 150EG, 150EH and 150EI of the *Local Government Act 2009*) in matters regarding the Eromanga Natural History Museum (ENHM).

Cr Stuart Mackenzie is Director of ENHM. The ENHM stands to gain a financial benefit depending on the outcome of the matter.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he will leave the meeting while the matter is discussed.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider an application under the Growing Regions Program – Round 1.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC124-07-23)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes Seconded: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council support an application for the Eromanga Natural History Museum – Stage 3 application under the Growing Regions Program – Round 1 with a financial cash contribution up to \$3,000,000 (GST Excl).

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At 11:25 am, Cr Stuart Mackenzie returned to the meeting and resumed the Chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned at 11.25am.

Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS) staff Andrew McPhee, Lee Hess, Tracy Watz joined the meeting, presenting on matters pertaining to planning and management of National Parks within the Shire. QPWS staff left the meeting at 1.30pm.

At 1.30pm, Transport and Main Roads staff Brendan Morgan, Steve Dart, Bill Lansborough and Chris Burgess joined the meeting, presenting on matters pertaining to the TMR grid replacement program across the State. TMR left the meeting at 3.00pm.

At 3.00 pm Janelle Menzies, Manager, Governance and Compliance joined the meeting.

The meeting resumed at 3.02pm.

14.3 POLICY REVIEW

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present a review of the Entertainment and Hospitality Policy, Advertising Spending Policy, and Councillors Reimbursement Policy.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC125-07-23)

Moved: Cr Bruce Paulsen Seconded: Cr Roger Volz That the Council adopt the Entertainment and Hospitality Policy, Advertising Spending Policy, and Councillors Reimbursement Policy.

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At 3.06 pm Janelle Menzies, Manager, Governance and Compliance left the meeting.

14.4 DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES - REVIEW OF QUEENSLAND'S PLACE NAMING CONVENTIONS AND PRACTICES.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is for Council to consider providing input into the Department of Resource's review of Queensland's place naming conventions and practices. The objective of this review is to ensure that the State's place-naming framework reflects contemporary community views and expectations.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC126-07-23)

Moved: Cr Bruce Paulsen Seconded: Cr Roger Volz

That Council note the report and take no further action.

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14.5 CONSULTATION REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE QUEENSLAND LAKE EYRE BASIN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to table the consultation Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) for the Queensland Lake Eyre Basin (LEB) and for Council to nominate preferred options identified in the RIS.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC127-07-23)

Moved: Cr Roger Volz Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

- 1. That Council provide the following responses to the Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) for the Queensland Lake Eyre Basin:
 - (a) Spatial options (extent of mapped protections) Option 1 Retain the status quo no change to current spatial extent of mapped areas for protection;
 - (b) Regulatory options (permitted future activities) Option 1 Retain the status quo no change to current regulatory frameworks; and
 - (c) Options for environmental attributes of the Queensland LEB river systems Option 1 Retain the status quo – no changes to current environmental attributes.

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14.7 LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM – PHASE 4

The purpose of this report is for Council to nominate eligible projects to be completed under the recently announced Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program – Phase 4.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC128-07-23)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes Seconded: Cr Bruce Paulsen

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009, to execute the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program – Phase 4 Grant Agreement; and
 - (b) Once the Grant Agreement has been returned and executed by the Department, submit the following project nominations:
 - (i) Part A Eromanga Pool Precinct Total Budget \$1,200,000 Funding Allocation \$891,657; and
 - (ii) Part B Coonaberry Creek Road Reseal Various Locations Total Budget \$764,280 Funding Allocation \$514,327.

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14.8 LGAQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2023 - MOTION REQUEST

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) has called for agenda items/motions for consideration at the 127th Annual Conference to be held in October 2023. Motions are required to be submitted by no later than Wednesday 9 August 2023. The Agenda Committee will review all submitted motions and provide a Preliminary Agenda for Member Councils four (4) weeks prior to the commencement of the Conference.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC129-07-23)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes Seconded: Cr Bruce Paulsen

- 1. That Council endorse the following motions for the annual LGAQ conference:
 - (a) That the LGAQ calls on the State Government to give greater priority to finding solutions to the unrealistic demands and prohibitive costs being imposed on councils renewing Quarry Sales Permits because of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries' (DAF) interpretation of the Native Title Act 1993 (NTA); and
 - (b) That the LGAQ calls on the State Government to guarantee the long-term competitiveness and sustainability of Queensland's Resources Sector during the implementation of current Net Zero policies, recognising the financial contribution the exploration, coal, metals and petroleum and gas sectors make to local communities, emerging industries (such as renewables) and the State as a whole.

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15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RECOMMENDATION

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 275 of the Local Government Act 2012:

15.1 Notice to Amend Resolution No. QSC109-06-23

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3) - c of the Local Government Act, 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 the local government's budget.

15.2 Draft Financial Statements 2023/24 Budget

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3) - c of the Local Government Act, 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 the local government's budget.

15.3 Draft Revenue Statement 2023/24

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3) - c of the Local Government Act, 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 the local government's budget.

15.4 Swimming Pool Lessee - Extension of Contract

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3) - g of the Local Government Act, 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 negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC130-07-23)

Moved: Cr Roger Volz Seconded: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council move into closed session at 3.18pm.

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At 3.20 pm Sharon Frank, Manager Finance and Administration joined the meeting.

MOVE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC131-07-23)

Moved: Cr Roger Volz Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council move into Open Session at 4.49pm.

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15.1 NOTICE TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. QSC109-06-23

Original Resolution Meeting Date: 20 June 2023

Original Resolution Number: (QSC109-06-23)

Original Resolution:

That Council:

(1) Include the recommendations as outlined in the Water Charge Review V2 report in the draft budget for 2023/24; and

(2) Consult with the affected landowners about the proposed changes.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC132-07-23)

Moved: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded: Cr Roger Volz

That Council amend Resolution Number (QSC109-06-23) and replace with:

That Council receive the Water Charge Review report.

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15.2 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023/24 BUDGET

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present the draft financial statements for the 2023/24 budget to Council for review.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC133-07-23)

Moved: Cr Bruce Paulsen Seconded: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council note the draft financial statements for the 2023/24 budget.

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15.3 DRAFT REVENUE STATEMENT 2023/24

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to review the draft Revenue Statement for 2023/24 prior to budget adoption.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC134-07-23)

Moved: Cr Bruce Paulsen Seconded: Cr Roger Volz

That the draft revenue report be received.

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At 4.50 pm Sharon Frank, Manager Finance and Administration left the meeting

15.4 SWIMMING POOL LESSEE - EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report serves to present Council with a proposal from the current Swimming Pool Lessee to extend the Swimming Pool Lease for an additional eleven (11) months, including the management of the Quilpie and Eromanga Swimming Pools.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC135-07-23)

Moved: Cr Lyn Barnes Seconded: Cr Jenny Hewson

- 1. That Council resolves that given:
 - imminent expiry (31 July, 2023) of the Quilpie Swimming Pool Complex management agreement with All About Aquatics, and the associated Eromanga Pool Complex management arrangement;
 - there is insufficient time left for Council to undertake and complete a competitive tender process for the procurement of a longer-term management contract arrangement covering the two pool complexes before the current arrangement expires;
 - the necessity to ensure continuity of the pool operations for the benefit of the public (i.e., to avoid the necessity to close the pools pending procurement of the new management contract arrangement;
 - the perceived practical impossibility (having regard particularly to geographic location) of finding, obtaining, and evaluating in the time available potential alternative managers to continue the pool operations pending completion of a tender process,

Council is satisfied, for *Local Government Regulation* subsection 235(a), that All About Aquatics is the only supplier who is reasonably available to provide the pool management services in the short term, pending finalization of a tender specification and completion of the tender process to select the supplier for provision of the services under a new, longer-term contract.

It is FURTHER RESOLVED that Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to negotiate and develop a new, short term contract, up to eleven (11) months, with All About Aquatics, for continued management of both pool complexes (Quilpie and Eromanga) commencing 1 August, 2023.

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16 LATE ITEMS

16.1 RFQL24 22-23 FLOOD RESTORATION WORKS 2022 - SCREENING OF MATERIAL FOR NORTHERN ROADS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a recommendation to award RFQL 24 22-23 Flood Restoration Works 2022 – Screening of Material for Northern Roads to support the Restoration of Essential Public Asset Works on Roads North of Quilpie, excluding Adavale Roads.

RESOLUTION NO: (QSC136-07-23)

Moved: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded: Cr Lyn Barnes

- 1. That Council:
 - (a) Subject to funding approval and finalisation, award RFQL 24 22-23 Flood Restoration Works 2022 – Screening of Material for Northern Roads to APV Contracting Pty Ltd for an amount of \$645,904.20 excluding GST; and
 - (b) Delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council's procurement Policy.

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17 GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillors were invited to raise any matters they wished to discuss. Matters raised included:

Cr Volz:

- Provision of public Wi-Fi in Adavale, Eromanga and Toompine, via Starlink, especially for people who don't have a Telstra phone.
- Painting of existing and provision of new fencing for the two new Council residences on Jabiru Street to be matching, with the Jabiru side fence of construction that allows flow and amenity
- Fire Brigade was not called and did not attend the Eromanga truck accident that occurred early Saturday morning, creating potential risk from chemical spills etc. The Police notified Director Engineering Services

Cr Paulsen:

• Thanks to council staff for assistance with organising the Outback Masters Golf Day, staff worked really well to put the day together.

Cr Barnes

- Concerns re cattle being kept at Adavale stock yards for longer periods, and being used to support a private business and frequent annoying use of helicopter over the township causing dust and noise complaints. CEO advised that the complaint is being investigated
- Free camping on the river continues. No Camping signs will be installed once delivered
- Queried the closure of public toilets at the Airport; Acting Director of Engineering advised maintenance is being completed on toilets
- Accessibility of REX flights remains an issue, with seats are booked to Charleville, leaving no seats available for the leg to Quilpie. A scarcity of Community Fares also experienced. CEO to follow up.

18 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Tuesday 15 August 2023 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie commencing at 09:30am.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 5.16pm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Tuesday, 18 July 2023.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 15 August 2023.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council

Date