



MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Held Tuesday 27th August 2024

**Council Chambers | Walgett Shire Council
77 Fox Street, Walgett**

Megan Dixon
GENERAL MANAGER

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT THE
WALGETT SHIRE CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 27 AUGUST 2024 AT 9.00 AM**
MEETING OPEN

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:04am

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Deputy Mayor acknowledged the traditional owners of the lands within the Walgett Shire and acknowledged the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who now reside within the Shire.

CONFIRMATION OF MEMBERS PRESENT**COUNCILLORS:**

Mayor Jasen Ramien
Councillor Jane Keir
Councillor Ian Woodcock
Councillor Alf Seaton
Councillor Daniel Walford

STAFF:

Kazi Mahmud	Director Infrastructure and Compliance
Ernest Mhande	Chief Financial Officer
Tim Williams	Acting Manager of Infrastructure (Roads)
Katherine Matts	Communications Consultant
Sherisse Fensom	Executive Officer / Minute Secretary

11/2024/01 RECESS AND AWARDS FROM 10.15AM

RESOLVED ON MOTION by Councillor **KEIR**; Seconded by Councillor **WOODCOCK**;

That Council take a short recess at 10:15am, followed by the Citizenship Ceremony, Dick Colless Awards Presentation, and Councillor Awards Presentation at 10:30am.

11/2024/02 APOLOGISE AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED ON MOTION by Councillor **WOODCOCK**; Seconded by Councillor **WALFORD**;

That the apologise received for Councillor Currey, Councillor Cooke, Councillor Rummery and Deputy Mayor Colin Hundy are accepted.

5. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY/NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Item No</i>	<i>Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Ramien	12.3.3	Pecuniary	Family Business – Maintenance Grading
Keir	12.3.3	Pecuniary	Family Business – Maintenance Grading

6. PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

11/2024/03 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 23 JULY 2024**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **KEIR**; Seconded by Councillor **SEATON**;

That the minutes from the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 23rd July 2024 having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this meeting.

11/2024/04 MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 13 AUGUST 2024**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **SEATON**; Seconded by Councillor **KEIR**;

That the minutes from the Extraordinary Council meeting held on the 13th August 2024 having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE/DELEGATES*Nil***MAYORAL MINUTE***Nil***11/2024/05 MAYORAL MONTHLY REPORT****RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **SEATON**; Seconded by Councillor **WOODCOCK**;

That the Mayoral Report for August 2024 be received and noted.

11/2024/06 IMAGINATION LIBRARY – LETTER TO PREMIER OF NSW**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **KEIR** ; Seconded by Councillor **SEATON**;

That Council notes the letter and support for the Imagination Library.

11/2024/07 INTEGRITY ISSUES RELATING TO THE 2024 NSW LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS – ICAC**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **KEIR**; Seconded by Councillor **WOODCOCK**;

That Council notes the letter from the Independent Commission Against Corruption regarding integrity issues relating to the 2024 NSW Local Government Elections.

11/2024/08 MATTERS IN PROGRESS**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **WALFORD**; Seconded by Councillor **WOODCOCK**;

That the Matters in Progress up until August 2024 be received and noted.

11/2024/09 IMPORTANT DATES – UPCOMING MEETING AND EVENTS**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **WOODCOCK**; Seconded by Councillor **SEATON**;

That Council receives and notes the list of upcoming meetings and events.

11/2024/10 CIRCULARS RECEIVED FROM NSW OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **KEIR**; Seconded by Councillor **SEATON**;

That the information contained in the following Department circular 24-13, 24-14 and 24,15 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet, be received and noted.

11/2024/11 GENERAL MANAGER DELEGATIONS DURING CARETAKER PERIOD**RESOLVED ON MOTION** by Councillor **KEIR**; Seconded by Councillor **WALFORD**;

That Council grant the General Manager temporary delegated authority to make decisions on routine and administrative matters until the new Council is formally sworn in.

(f) matters affecting the security of the council, councillors, council staff or council property.

Time: 9:40am

11C/2024/22 UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE – 15 AUGUST 2024

RESOLVED ON MOTION by Councillor **KIER**; Seconded by Councillor **SEATON**;
That council receives and notes the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee – held via Teams on the 15 August 2024.

11C/2024/23 GENERAL MANAGERS ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW REPORT

RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor **KEIR**; Seconded by Councillor **SEATON**;

That Council note and receive information in this report.

10/2024/24 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor **WOODCOCK**; Seconded by Councillor **SEATON**;

That Council return to open session.

10/2024/25 ADOPTION OF CLOSED SESSION REPORTS

RESOLVED on MOTION by Councillor **WOODCOCK**; Seconded by Councillor **KEIR**;

That Council adopt the recommendations of the Closed Committee Reports

- 1) 15.1.1 Unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee – 15 August 2024.
- 2) 15.1.2 General Managers Annual Performance Review Report

With no further business the meeting was closed by Mayor Ramien at 10.02 pm
Minutes to be confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 22 October 2024