

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 18 JULY 2023, COMMENCING AT 6.34PM

An audio recording of the proceedings of this meeting is publicly available on Council's website.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Attendance

Crs B Monaghan (Mayor), B Baker, M Clark, R Crowe, J Funnell, K Keatley, T Lord, L McGlynn, R Moore

General Manager (G Baker), Director Corporate & Community Services (A Balind), Director Technical Services (R Graham) and Executive Assistant (J Sharpe)

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Councillor/ Officer	Item	Nature of Interest	Reason
Cr Funnell	Item 6.5 – Request for Donation – Southern Sports Academy	Non-Pecuniary	Personal

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting held on 20 June 2023

01072023 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 20 June 2023 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Baker/Funnell
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Monthly Status Report – Council Meeting Actions: July 2023

02072023 RESOLVED that Council receive and note the Monthly Status Report - Council Meeting Actions: July 2023.

Moore/Clark
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

Finance and Investment Report for June 2023

03072023 RESOLVED:

1. That Council receive and note the information contained within the Finance and Investment Report for the month of June 2023
2. That Council confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 01 June to 30 June 2023, summarised in the accounts summary totalling \$13,130,460.49

Lord/Baker
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

Endorsement of Revised Revenue Policy 2023/24

04072023 **RESOLVED** that Council endorses the amended fees and charges as part of the Revenue Policy 2023/24.

Lord/Funnell
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

Related Party Disclosure Policy (AASB 124)

05072023 **RESOLVED** that Bland Shire Council endorses the revised Related Party Disclosure Policy as per Accounting Standard AASB 124 – Related Party Disclosures.

Baker/Keatley
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

Request for Donation – Southern Sports Academy

At this stage, 6.38pm, Cr Funnell left the meeting.

06072023 **RESOLVED:** that Council approve a donation of \$200 per athlete to the Southern Sports Academy in support of the 11 athletes selected for 2023 in Bland Shire LGA totalling \$2,200 from the Strengthening Communities Budget.

Lord/McGlynn
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

At this stage 6.45pm, Cr Funnell returned to the meeting.

Mornings, Melodies & Memories Update

07072023 **RESOLVED** that Council receive and note the information contained within the Mornings, Melodies and Memories update.

Clark/Crowe
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

Endorsement of the Weethalle Community Committee, a Section 355 Committee of Council

08072023 **RESOLVED** that Council:

- Receive and note the minutes of the Weethalle Community Committee, held on Wednesday 28 June 2023.
- Endorse the Weethalle Community Committee members in accordance with the Director Corporate and Community Services report for a probationary period of three (3) months.

McGlynn/Funnell
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

Part Day Closure Council Administration Office

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RESOLVED that Council:

- a) Authorise the closure of council offices at 12.30pm on Thursday 3 August, 2023 and reopen at 8.30am on Friday, 4 August 2023.
- b) Note the planned closure of Council services and operations, with the exception of skeleton staff, from 12.30pm on Thursday, 3 August 2023 for the purposes of an organisation-wide staff meeting.
- c) Advertise the intended temporary change to Council services to the community.

Crowe/McGlynn
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

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RESOLVED that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- 6.9 - Bland Shire Library Monthly Update
- 6.10 - Children Services June Update
- 6.11 - Bland Community Care Services Update
- 6.12 - Technical Services Report
- 6.13 - Development Services Activity Report – June 2023

Funnell/Keatley
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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RESOLVED that Council endorse the Committee meeting minutes as presented.

Moore/Clark
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

12072023

RESOLVED that Council close the Ordinary meeting of Council to discuss the following matters:

1. Property Purchases

Local Government Act 1993 (Section 10A(2))

The matters and information are the following:

c) information that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business

Moore/Funnell
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

The meeting then closed at 7.20pm.

Property Purchases

13072023 RESOLVED that Council:

- a) Authorise the General Manager to enter into negotiations for the purchase of the properties listed in the Director of Technical Services report up to the agreed amounts.
- b) Fully explore the land uses for each property as part of the Master Planning processes for the Central Business District and the Sport and Recreation precincts prior to any further development of the subject sites.

McGlynn/Funnell

CARRIED

(Crs Baker, Clark, Funnell, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for and Cr Crowe voting against)

14072023 RESOLVED that Council move out of closed Council and into open Council.

Moore/Clark

CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Baker, Clark, Crowe, Funnell, Keatley, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan and Moore voting for)

The meeting then resumed at 7.36pm.

At the reopening of the meeting to the public the Chair announced the outcome of resolution number **13072023**.

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 7.37pm.

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Chairperson
Mayor Brian Monaghan