

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF BLAND HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEST WYALONG ON TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2024,
COMMENCING AT 6.31PM**

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

The General Manager took the Chair and opened the meeting.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Attendance

Crs B Monaghan (Mayor), H Brooks, M Carnegie, R Crowe, J Funnell, E Henderson, T Lord, L McGlynn, L Minogue

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

Apologies

Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Councillor/ Officer	Item	Nature of Interest	Reason	How Managed
Cr Brooks	6.26 – Children Services August/September Update	Less than significant non- pecuniary	Personal	Written disclosure
Cr Minogue	General disclosure	Less than significant non- pecuniary	Personal	Verbal disclosure

COUNCILLOR OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE

The General Manager called upon each individual Councillor to make the official Oath or Affirmation of Office:

- Cr Brooks (Oath)
- Cr Carnegie (Oath)
- Cr Crowe (Oath)
- Cr Funnell (Oath)
- Cr Henderson (Oath)
- Cr Lord (Affirmation)
- Cr McGlynn (Oath)
- Cr Minogue (Oath)
- Cr Monaghan (Affirmation)

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Nominees Address

01102024 RESOLVED that any Councillor nominees for appointment as Council representatives provide an address to Council.

McGlynn/Lord
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Election of Mayor

The General Manager as the Returning Officer conducted the election of Mayor.

The General Manager announced that one nomination had been received for the position of Mayor, from Cr Monaghan and called for any further nominations.

With no further nominations, the General Manager declared Cr Monaghan as Mayor.

Election of Deputy Mayor

The General Manager announced that three nominations had been received for the position of Deputy Mayor from Crs Lord, Crowe and Minogue and called for any further nominations. There were no further nominations received.

02102024 RESOLVED:

1. That Council elect a Deputy Mayor for the same term of office as the Mayor.
2. That Council accept the nominations for Deputy Mayor, and that the method of voting is by ordinary ballot.

Lord/McGlynn
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

The nominees addressed Council and the General Manager as the Returning Officer conducted the election of Deputy Mayor. At the completion of the election process, the General Manager declared Cr Minogue as Deputy Mayor.

Goldenfields Water County Council

The General Manager announced that two nominations had been received for the position of delegate to Goldenfields Water County Council from Crs Crowe and McGlynn and called for any further nominations. There were no further nominations received.

03102024 RESOLVED that Council accept the nominations for position of Delegate to Goldenfields Water County Council, and that the method of voting is by ordinary ballot.

Lord/McGlynn
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

The nominees addressed Council and the General Manager as the Returning Officer conducted the election for the position of Delegate to Goldenfields Water County Council. At the completion of the election process, the General Manager declared Cr Crowe as Delegate to Goldenfields Water County Council.

At this stage, 7.13pm Cr Monaghan took the Chair.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

04102024 RESOLVED that the minutes of the:

1. Ordinary Council meeting held on 13 August 2024 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.
2. Extraordinary Council meeting held on 10 September 2024 be confirmed as a correct record of proceedings.

Crowe/Henderson
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Countback to fill casual vacancies

05102024 RESOLVED that pursuant to section 291A(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act) Bland Shire Council declares that casual vacancies occurring in the office of a Councillor within 18 months after the last ordinary election of Councillors for the Council on 14 September 2024 are to be filled by a countback of votes cast at that election for the office in accordance with section 291A of the Act and directs the General Manager to notify the NSW Electoral Commission of the Council's decision within 7 days of the decision.

Lord/Crowe
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC)

06102024 RESOLVED that Council appoints Cr Minogue as the non-voting Councillor to attend the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.

Funnell/Brooks
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Australia Day Awards Committee

07102024 RESOLVED that Council confirm the Bland Shire Australia Day Awards Committee membership in accordance with the current Terms of Reference.

Lord/Carnegie
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Bland Shire Local Traffic Committee

08102024 RESOLVED that Council appoint Cr Funnell as delegate and Cr Crowe as alternate to the Bland Shire Local Traffic Committee.

Lord/Minogue
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Cowal Gold Project Community Environmental Monitoring & Consultative Committee

09102024 RESOLVED that Council appoint Cr Brooks as delegate and Cr Crowe as alternate to the Cowal Gold Project Community Environmental Monitoring & Consultative Committee.

Funnell/Minogue
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Mining and Energy Related Councils NSW

10102024 RESOLVED that Council appoint Crs Lord and Henderson as delegates to the Mining and Energy Related Councils.

Lord/McGlynn
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Newell Highway Taskforce

Two nominations were received for the position of delegate to the Newell Highway Taskforce from Crs Lord and Henderson.

11102024 RESOLVED that Council accept the nominations for delegate to the Newell Highway Taskforce and that the method of voting is by ordinary ballot.

McGlynn/Lord
CARRIED

(5/4: Crs Carnegie, Funnell, Lord, McGlynn, Monaghan voting for and Crs Brooks, Crowe, Henderson, Minogue voting against)

The nominees addressed Council and the General Manager as the Returning Officer conducted the election. At the completion of the election process, the General Manager declared Cr Henderson as delegate and Cr Lord as alternate to the Newell Highway Taskforce.

NSW Public Libraries Association

12102024 RESOLVED that Council:-

1. appoint Cr Brooks as delegate and Cr Funnell as alternate to the NSW Public Libraries Association; and,
2. confirm the Library Services Coordinator as Bland Shire Council's observer.

Funnell/Minogue
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Riverina Regional Library

13102024 RESOLVED that Council:-

1. appoint Cr Brooks as delegate as alternate to the Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee; and,
2. confirm the Director Corporate and Community Service as Bland Shire Council's second delegate.

Carnegie/Brooks
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

NSW Rural Fire Service Bland Temora Zone Bushfire Management and Liaison Committees

14102024 RESOLVED that Council appoint Cr Carnegie as delegate to the NSW Rural Fire Service Bland Temora Zone Bushfire Management and Liaison Committees.

Funnell/McGlynn
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

LGNSW Annual Conference 2024 – Confirmation of Attendees

15102024 RESOLVED that:-

1. Crs Henderson and Minogue attend the LGNSW Annual Conference being held in Tamworth from 17 – 19 November 2024; and
2. the Mayor be nominated as Council's voting delegate.

Henderson/Crowe
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Councillor Workshops and Ordinary Council Meetings

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Brooks seconded Cr Crowe that Council confirm the Councillor Workshops and Council Meetings cycle including the commencement time of 6:00pm for the Councillor Workshops.

AMENDMENT proposed Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that Council confirm the Councillor Workshops and Council Meetings cycle including the commencement time of 5:00pm for the Councillor Workshops.

On being put to the vote the amendment was **LOST**

(2/7: Crs Lord, McGlynn voting for and Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Minogue and Monaghan voting against)

16102024 RESOLVED that Council confirm the Councillor Workshops and Council Meetings cycle including the commencement time of 6:00pm for the Councillor Workshops.

Brooks/Crowe
CARRIED

(7/2: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Minogue, Monaghan voting for and Crs Lord, McGlynn voting against)

Monthly Status Report – Council Meeting Actions: October 2024

17102024 RESOLVED that Council receive and note the Monthly Status Report - Council Meeting Actions: October 2024.

Carnegie/Brooks
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Risk, Work Health and Safety Quarterly Report

18102024 RESOLVED that Council receive and note the Risk and Work, Health and Safety Report for the quarter ending September 2024.

Carnegie/Crowe
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Finance And Investment Report For August 2024

19102024 RESOLVED:

1. That Council receive and note the information contained within the Finance and Investment Report for the month of August 2024
2. That Council confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 01 August to 31 August 2024, totalling \$6,279,375.82

Crowe/Carnegie
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Finance And Investment Report For September 2024

20102024 RESOLVED:

1. That Council receive and note the information contained within the Finance and Investment Report for the month of September 2024
2. That Council confirms the payment of accounts, for the period 01 September to 30 September 2024, totalling \$3,030,700.72

Minogue/Funnell
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Part Day Public Holiday Application – West Wyalong Show 2025-2026

PROPOSED on the motion of Cr Funnell seconded Cr Brooks that Council make application for a local part day public holiday between the hours of 12noon and 6.00pm for the purpose of the West Wyalong Show on Wednesday 3 September 2025 and Wednesday 2 September 2026 covering the whole of the Bland Shire area.

AMENDMENT proposed Cr Lord seconded Cr McGlynn that Council make application for a local part day public holiday between the hours of 12noon and 6.00pm for the purpose of the West Wyalong Show on Wednesday 3 September 2025 and Wednesday 2 September 2026 covering the town improvement areas of Wyalong, West Wyalong and Tallimba.

On being put to the vote the amendment was **LOST**

(3/6: Crs Lord, McGlynn, Minogue voting for and Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson and Monaghan voting against)

21102024 RESOLVED that Council make application for a local part day public holiday between the hours of 12noon and 6.00pm for the purpose of the West Wyalong Show on Wednesday 3 September 2025 and Wednesday 2 September 2026 covering the whole of the Bland Shire area.

Funnell/Brooks
CARRIED

(6/3: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Monaghan voting for and Cr Lord, McGlynn, Minogue voting against)

Planning Proposal (PP-2023-2372) – Additional Permitted Use – Recreational Facility (Outdoor) at the West Wyalong Airport – 13510 Newell Highway, West Wyalong

22102024 RESOLVED:

1. That Council authorise the General Manager to proceed to finalise and implement Planning Proposal (PP-2023-2372) for an additional permitted use for recreational facility (outdoor) at West Wyalong Aerodrome, 13510 Newell Highway, West Wyalong, under delegated plan making authority.
2. The Minister be requested to endorse the revised Planning Proposal and determine that further community consultation is not required.

McGlynn/Crowe
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

Endorsement of Revised Revenue Policy 2024/25 - Underground Petroleum Storage Systems (UPSS)

23102024 RESOLVED that Council:-

1. endorse the new charge of \$280 per Underground Petroleum Storage System inspection to be included in Councils Revenue Policy 2024/25 and place it on public exhibition for a period of 28 days commencing 16 October 2024
2. should there be comments received from the community on the proposed amendment to the Bland Shire Revenue Policy 2024/25, a further report be prepared and presented to Council
3. Should there be no comment from the community within the 42-day commentary period, Council formally adopt the amendment to the Bland Shire Council Revenue Policy 2024/25

McGlynn/Carnegie
CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

24102024 **RESOLVED** that the following reports, provided for information only, be received and noted:

- 6.24 - Community Development Report
- 6.25 - Bland Shire Library Monthly Update
- 6.26 - Children Services August/September Update
- 6.27 - Bland Community Care Services Update Aug/Sept '24
- 6.28 - Technical Services Report
- 6.29 - Development Services Activity Report – August 2024

Henderson/Funnell

CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

25102024 **RESOLVED** that Council endorse the Committee meeting minutes as presented.

Carnegie/Funnell

CARRIED

(Unanimously: Crs Brooks, Carnegie, Crowe, Funnell, Henderson, Lord, McGlynn, Minogue and Monaghan voting for)

There being no further business the meeting then closed at 8.22pm.

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Chairperson
Mayor Brian Monaghan