



LEETON SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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WEDNESDAY 27 APRIL 2016

COMMENCING AT 7.00PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Councillors: Cr. Paul Maytom (Mayor), Cr. Tracey Morris,
Cr. Emerson Doig, Cr. Tracey Valenzisi, Cr.
Steve Dowling, Cr. Greg O'Callaghan and Cr.
Michael Kidd

Staff: Duncan McWhirter (Acting General Manager), Barry
Heins (Director Engineering and Technical Services),
Garry Stoll (Director Environmental and Community
Services) and Brent Lawrence (Corporate
Communications Coordinator)

Press: Talia Pattison (The Irrigator)

1. **CIVIC PRAYER** Cr Tracey Morris
2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY** Mayor Cr Paul Maytom
3. **APOLOGIES**

16/050

Resolved

That the apologies from Cr George Weston and Cr Peter Davidson be accepted and leave of absence for the meeting be granted.

(Moved Cr Valenzisi, seconded Cr Morris)

4. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

16/051

Resolved

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, March 30 2016, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

(Moved Cr O'Callaghan, seconded Cr Morris)

5. **MAYORAL MINUTES – NIL**
6. **NOTICES OF MOTION – NIL**

CORPORATE SERVICES MATTERS

Item 7.1 LEETON GOLF COURSE MARCH 2016 UPDATE

16/052

Resolved

That Council note the March 2016 report on the activities of Leeton Golf Course.

(Moved Cr Valenzisi, seconded Cr Kidd)

Item 7.2 APPROVAL TO ATTEND MAYORS' WEEKEND SEMINAR

16/053

Resolved

That Council endorses the attendance of the Mayor and up to two Councillors to the 2016 Mayors' Weekend Seminar to be held in Sydney on the 21-22 May 2016 and that all associated costs be allocated against the Councillor Training Budget for the 2015/16 financial year.

(Moved Cr Valenzisi, seconded Cr Doig)

Item 7.3 INVESTMENTS – DIVIDENDS - INVESTMENTS - MARCH 2016

16/054

Resolved

That the information contained in the report on Investments for March 2016 be noted.

(Moved Cr Doig, seconded Cr Kidd)

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cr Tracey Morris declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest declaration for Item 7.4 Adoption of Internal Audit Committee Minutes as she is the Chair of the Internal Audit Committee. Cr Morris made the declaration, stayed in the Chamber and participated in the debate and voted.

Item 7.4 ADOPTION OF INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES

16/055

Resolved

That Council formally adopts Internal Audit Committee Minutes from 13 April 2016.

(Moved Cr Doig, seconded Cr Dowling)

Item 7.5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW SOUTH WALES - BOARD ELECTION

16/056

Resolved

That Council appoint the Mayor, Cr Paul Maytom and the Deputy Mayor, Cr George Weston as Leeton Shire Council's voting delegates for the election of 13 persons onto the board of Local Government New South Wales.

(Moved Cr Doig, seconded Cr Valenzisi)

**Item 7.6 WHITTON TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES 26
MARCH 2016**

16/057

Resolved

That Council formally notes the Whitton Town Improvement Committee Minutes from the 21 March 2016.

(Moved Cr Kidd, seconded Cr O'Callaghan)

ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES MATTERS

**Item 7.7 LEETON SHIRE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AND MOBILITY PLAN
(PAMP) 2016**

16/058

Resolved

That;

1. The information regarding the progress of the 2016 Leeton Shire Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP) be received and noted.
2. Council place the finalised 2016 PAMP Plan on public display for 28 days.
3. If any submissions are received, a further report be prepared for Council. If no submissions are received, the plan will be considered as formally adopted by Council.

(Moved Cr Valenzisi, seconded Cr Doig)

**Item 7.8 INSTALLATION OF SOLAR POWER GENERATION LEETON
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT - PHOTON ENERGY
PROPOSAL**

16/059

Resolved

That Council:

1. Approve the transfer of up to \$175,000 from Sewer Restrictions for the construction of a Solar PV Plant at the Leeton Waste Water Treatment Plant.
2. That Council seek formal quotations for the supply, installation, maintenance, monitoring and reporting of up to a 100kW Solar PV system at the Leeton Waste Water Treatment Plant.

(Moved Cr Valenzisi, seconded Cr Morris)

ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES MATTERS

Item 7.9 SECTION 94A FIXED LEVY PLAN

16/060

Resolved

That Council:

1. Adopt the s94A Fixed Levy Contributions Plan as attached.
2. Advertise the adoption of the draft s94A Fixed Levy Contributions plan via local media and the Council website.

(Moved Cr O'Callaghan, seconded Cr Doig)

Item 7.10 "ENVISAGE 2024" ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM & EVENTS STRATEGIC PLAN

16/061

Resolved

That the report lay on the table for discussion at a future meeting.

(Moved Cr Valenzisi, seconded Cr O'Callaghan)

STATEMENTS BY COUNCILLORS

Cr Tracey Valenzisi

Advised that a gum tree at 24 Drummond Street, Wattle Hill was in need of inspection due to concerns over its height and safety. The Director of Environmental and Community Services advised he will look into the matter.

Cr Greg O'Callaghan

Praised the new "Mayoral Column" that appears on a monthly basis in The Irrigator newspaper.

Commented that the recently launched "Have Your Say Leeton" engagement website will attract a lot of feedback both positive and negative for Council.

Cr Michael Kidd

Thanked the organisers of the recent Anzac Day commemorative events for a job well done with particular mention of the Choir and Town Band.

Advised that Cr Doig and himself attended a recent meeting of the Roxy Theatre Committee where changes to the Roxy Theatre/Tourism/Events Departments of Council were outlined.

Mayor Cr Paul Maytom

Advised that he had attended an Environmental Water Allowance Group Meeting (EWAG) at Balranald on the 26 and 27 April. The Mayor commented that EWAG was taking a more strategic focus and also outlined a field trip to "Hobblers Lake" where a great abundance of bird life was on display.

The Mayor also advised the meeting that 300 megalitres of environmental flows would be released into the Fivebough Wetlands and 200 megalitres into Tuckerbil Wetlands in May/June this year.

The Mayor also enquired about the reinstatement of a "Welcome to Leeton" sign on the Yanco entrance to town. The Director of Engineering and Technical Services advised that he would investigate the matter.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

..... signed by
the Chairman of the meeting held on
25/05/2016 at which meeting the
signature hereon was subscribed.