Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water held at Weddin Shire Council, on Wednesday, 13 August 2014, commencing at 10.30am

PresentCr. Geoff Braddon OAM
Cr. David Somervaille(Chairman)BlayneyBlayneyBlayney

Cr. Anthony Durkin
Cr. Geoffrey McClelland
Cr. Alan Griffiths

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Gavin Rhodes (General Manager)

Darrell Sligar (Director Operations & Technical Services)
Raelene Mulligan (Director Finance & Corporate Services)

Ms Jenny Bennett, the Executive Officer of Centroc, presented to Council the outcomes of the Centroc 2012/2013 Annual Report and gave a comprehensive overview of the activities of Centroc. Ms Bennett also advised Council of the NSW Government funding opportunities that are currently available under the Restart NSW Water Security for Regions program.

APOLOGIES

14/056 **RESOLVED**:

That a leave of absence be granted to Cr. Walker following receipt of his apology for non-attendance.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somervaille)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

14/057 RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water, held on 11 June 2014, being minute numbers 14/034 to 14/051 inclusive, be confirmed.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somervaille)

14/058 **RESOLVED**:

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Central Tablelands Water, held on 14 June 2014, being minute numbers 14/052 to 14/055 inclusive, be confirmed.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somervaille)

CHAIRMAN'S MINUTE

I would firstly like to welcome Gavin to the position of General Manager of CTW. On behalf of the Councillors and the staff, we wish you all the best.

We also welcome Raelene Mulligan today as the new Director of Finance and Corporate Services. Welcome Raelene, we also wish you all the best in your new role with CTW.

Both Gavin & Raelene had to compete against very strong candidates for their respective positions and had to go through a rigorous recruitment process. I'm positive that we as Councillors have every confidence in their ability to carry out their duties and responsibilities of their respective positions successfully.

I have to mention it's quite strange that we are in this room without Tony after 23 years and I'm sure that he will always be available to give Gavin and Raelene the support and advice required in the short term as they get settled into their new roles. Both Cr Griffiths and I were fortunate enough to attend Tony's farewell last Saturday night in Bathurst. For those Councillors who were unable to attend, your apologies were conveyed. The farewell was a touching occasion and really highlighted Tony's distinguished career. The emcee for the evening was former chairman John Farr OAM, who did an excellent job.

Finally, in today's Business Paper, Senior Management have brought forward as requested their views on succession planning for Darrell's position as Director Operations & Technical Services. This is a very important issue which management are seeking endorsement by Council.

14/059 RESOLVED:

That the Chairman's Minute, as read, be accepted and the contents therein be noted and endorsed.

(Cr. Griffiths/Cr. Durkin)

COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION

Cr Geoff McClelland reported that he attended the Country Expo in Sydney on 1-3 August on behalf of Weddin Shire Council and CTW.

01) FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY COUNCIL (FM.FR.1)

14/060 RESOLVED:

- 1. That the statement required by Section 413(2)(c) of the Local Government Act, 1993 in relation to Council's Financial Reports for the period ending 30 June 2014 be completed.
- 2. That Intentus Chartered Accountants be invited (in accordance with regulations) to complete the audit for the financial year ending 30th June 2014.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somervaille)

02) FINANCIAL MATTERS (FM.BA.1)

14/061 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Griffiths)

03) DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (GO.CO.3)

14/062 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Griffiths)

04) POLICY REGISTER (CM.ME.1)

14/063 RESOLVED:

That the updated Policy Register, as presented, be adopted.

(Cr. Griffiths/Cr. Somervaille)

05) <u>SUCCESSION PLANNING - DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND TECHNICAL SERVICES POSITION (PE.EC.3)</u>

14/064 RESOLVED:

That Council endorse the General Manager's decision to create the positions of Operations Overseer and Water Quality Overseer, with both positions being advertised and filled internally.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somervaille)

06) <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE</u> (CM.CF.1)

14/065 RESOLVED:

That Council give approval for the Chairman, one other Councillor, the General Manager and Director Operations & Technical Services to attend the 2014 LG Water Management Conference in Port Macquarie.

(Cr. Somervaille/Cr. Griffiths)

07) LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW CONFERENCE (CM.CF.1)

14/066 RESOLVED:

That Council give approval for the Chairman, General Manager and one other Councillor to attend the 2014 Local Government NSW Conference in Coffs Harbour, from Sunday 19 October 2014 to Tuesday 21 October 2014, and any Councillor interested in attending should contact the General Manager to arrange registration.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somervaille)

08) GOVERNMENT INFORMATION PUBLIC ACCESS ACT 2009 (GIPA) - AGENCY INFORMATION GUIDE - REVIEW (IM.CO.1)

14/067 RESOLVED:

That Council adopt the Draft Agency Information Guide 2015 in accordance with the Government Information Public Access Act 2009 (GIPA).

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somervaille)

09) REVIEW OF DELEGATIONS (GO.CO.4)

14/068 **RESOLVED**:

That the Delegations of Authority for the Chairman and General Manager, as presented to this meeting, be adopted and incorporated into Council's Policy Register.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Griffiths)

10) <u>WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT POLICY - PUBLIC DRINKING</u> WATER (CM.PO.1)

14/069 **RESOLVED**:

That the Water Quality Management Policy for the Supply of Public Drinking Water, including amendments to be made by the Director of Operations and Technical Services, be adopted and incorporated into Council's Policy Register.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somervaille)

11) <u>APPOINMENT - DIRECTOR FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES</u> (CM.ME.1)

14/070 RESOLVED:

That Council endorse the action of the General Manager in appointing Mrs Raelene Mulligan to the position of Director Finance & Corporate Services.

(Cr. Griffiths/Cr. Somervaille)

12) RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER (CM.ME.1)

14/071 RESOLVED:

That Council endorse the appointment of Mrs Raelene Mulligan as Council's Responsible Accounting Officer, with effect from Financial Year 2014/2015.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somervaille)

13) FREE WATER ALLOWANCE TO HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS (CR.EQ.1)

14/072 RESOLVED:

That Council's policy regarding the Free Water Allowance to Hospitals and Charitable Institutions be amended to reflect Charitable Institutions only.

(Cr. Griffiths/Cr. Somervaille)

14) CENTROC BOARD MEETING (CM.CF.3)

14/073 RESOLVED:

That Council's Deputy Chairman, Cr David Somervaille, represent Council at the CENTROC Board Meeting at Parliament House, Canberra on Tuesday 26th August 2014.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Griffiths)

15) WBC ALLIANCE - EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (CM.AG.6)

14/074 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Durkin)

16) MAINTENANCE OF COUNCIL'S SYSTEMS (WS.MO.4)

14/075 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Durkin)

17) PERFORMANCE OF COUNCIL'S SYSTEMS (WS.MO.4)

14/076 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Griffiths)

18) QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

No questions on notice were received.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of Central Tablelands Water will be held in Blayney on Wednesday 8th October 2014

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 12.15pm.