

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water held at the
Blayney Shire Community Centre, Blayney on Wednesday, 13th February 2019,
commencing at 10.30am**

<u>Present</u>	Cr. David Somervaille	(Chairman)	Blayney
	Cr. John Newstead		Blayney
	Cr. Craig Bembrick		Weddin
	Cr. Paul Best		Weddin
	Cr. Kevin Walker	(Deputy Chairman)	Cabonne
	Cr. Anthony Durkin		Cabonne
	Gavin Rhodes	(General Manager)	
	Peter McFarlane	(Director Finance & Corporate Services)	
	Noel Wellham	(Director Operations & Technical Services)	

APOLOGIES

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**19/001 RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water, held on 12th December 2018, being minute numbers 18/096 to 18/117 inclusive, be confirmed.

(Cr. Newstead/Cr. Bembrick)

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**Item 18/103 – Renewable Energy Action Plan**

The Chairman requested an update on the Renewable Energy Action Plan (REAP) as reported at the December 2018 Council meeting. The General Manager advised Council that the Senior Management Team were investigating the potential costs and benefits of on-site energy generation at the CTW sites in consultation with renewable energy professionals.

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Nil

CHAIRMAN'S MINUTE

I had the privilege earlier this week, along with councillors Best and Bembrick and Mayor Liebich of Weddin Shire Council of visiting the township of Caragabal in Weddin Shire. This township of about 200 residents has provided its own non-potable water supply from a small dam and reticulation system built and maintained by residents. The town is now out of water as a result of the current drought. The visit enabled councillors, with CTW management, a government official from Dol Water and a representative of local member Steph Cooke, to see first-hand the

problems being faced by the town. CTW has an important role to play in seeking funding for and arranging a feasibility study to look at possible solutions. One of those would be to link the town with CTW's current bore field and infrastructure providing potable water to the nearby village of Quandialla. Ultimately it is hoped that a solution can be found, funding can be obtained and CTW will be responsible for implementing the solution and acting as water supply authority for the town. None of this will solve the immediate problem, but hopefully could be in place in time for the next drought which will inevitably occur before too long.

It is projects like this that reinforce CTW's role as an independent regional water authority working in partnership with our constituent councils.

19/002 RESOLVED:

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

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Newstead)

COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION

Cr. Somervaille represented CTW at the following:

- Centroc Executive meeting, Orange 31 January 2019.
- Meeting at Grenfell and tour of Quandialla and Caragabal, 11 February 2019.

Cr. Bembrick and Cr. Best represented CTW at the following:

- Meeting at Grenfell and tour of Quandialla and Caragabal. Community meeting at Caragabal regarding CTW applying for NSW Government funding to undertake a feasibility study to provide potable water to the Caragabal community and district, 11 February 2019.

01) HENRY LAWSON FESTIVAL GRENFELL (CR.SD.1)

19/003 RESOLVED:

That Council contribute \$250.00 towards the 2019 Henry Lawson Festival at Grenfell.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Newstead)

02) CENTRAL TABLELANDS WATER REBRANDING PROJECT (GO.CO.1)

19/004 RESOLVED:

1. That Council note the report, and
2. Council approve additional funding of \$20,000 to progress with rebranding of Central Tablelands Water (Brand Development) and consider new signage when entering towns and villages throughout the supply network as a separate project during 2019/20 budget process.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Best)

03) HUMAN RESOURCES PROJECTS – ORGANISATION STRUCTURE (PE.EC.1)

19/005 RESOLVED:

1. That the report on the process of the Organisational Structure and Salary System Review be noted.
2. That the changes in the Operational Budget resulting from these reviews be considered as part of the December 2018 Quarterly Budget Review.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Newstead)

04) SAFE & SECURE WATER PROGRAM UPDATE (GR.SL.2)

19/006 RESOLVED:

That Council note the report.

(Cr. Newstead/Cr. Walker)

Amendment proposed by Cr Somervaille:

That Council not proceed with Trunk Main K (Stage 3) unless it receives approval of funding under the Safe & Secure Water Program.

Amendment became the motion and was carried.

(Cr. Newstead/Cr. Walker)

05) COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS UPDATE REPORT (GO.CO.1)

19/007 RESOLVED:

That Council note the Council Resolutions Update Report to December 2018.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Newstead)

06) FINANCIAL MATTERS (FM.BA.1)

19/008 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Bembrick)

07) QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT – 31 DECEMBER 2018 (FM.FR.1)

19/009 RESOLVED:

That the budget review statement for the quarter ended 31 December 2018 be accepted, and the variations therein be voted.

(Cr. Bembrick/Cr. Newstead)

08) GOVERNMENT INFORMATION PUBLIC ACCESS ACT 2009 (IM.CO.1)

19/010 RESOLVED:

That Council adopt the Draft Agency Information Guide 2019 in accordance with the Government Information Public Access Act 2009 (GIPA).

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Durkin)

09) JARDINE LLOYD THOMPSON (JLT) LOCAL COUNCIL CLASS ACTION (RM.CM.1)

19/011 RESOLVED:

That Council not join the Jardine Local Council Class Action (NSW) at this time.

(Cr. Newstead/Cr. Durkin)

10) REGIONAL WATER SECURITY PIPELINE PROJECT UPDATE (WS.AM.1)

19/012 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Bembrick)

11) TRUNK MAIN K RENEWAL (WS.AM.1)

19/013 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Best)

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

19/014 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Bembrick/Cr. Walker)

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

19/015 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Newstead/Cr. Walker)

14) QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

(General Manager)

No questions on notice were received.

**15) WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL – SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES
(FM.DB.1)
WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 440600002 (CR.EQ.1)
REQUEST TO WAIVE AVAILABILITY CHARGES – ACCOUNT
430000000 (CR.EQ.1)
PROPOSAL TO NAME BLAYNEY WATER FILTRATION PLANT
BUILDING (WS.SP.6)
GENERAL MANAGER'S CONTRACT (GO.CO.4)**

(General Manager)

19/016 RESOLVED:

That, as these matters deal with items that are subject to the affairs of an individual, Council consider those matters in the Committee of the Whole and that in terms of Section 10A (2) of the Local Government Act, the press and the public be excluded from the meeting of the Committee of the Whole.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Newstead)

16) PROCEED TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

19/017 RESOLVED:

That, as business for the Ordinary Meeting has now concluded, Council proceed into Committee of the Whole to discuss the items referred to in the report.

(Cr. Bembrick/Cr. Durkin)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL – SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES (FM.DB.1)

Proceedings in brief

Cr Durkin declared a non-pecuniary interest due to previous dealings with one of the property owners. Cr Durkin left the meeting at 1.05pm.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the reconnection fees for the properties listed for sale be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges.
2. That as the properties are subject to a Section 713 sale that new developer charges not be applied to the disconnected properties.
3. That Council request that Weddin Shire Council agree to share the net sale proceeds in pro rata proportion to the respective debts.
4. That the General Manager be delegated to write off any remaining outstanding debt in respect of those properties after the pro rata net proceeds of sale have been applied to the debt.
5. That the General Manager report back to Council details of amounts written off pursuant to this resolution.

(Cr. Bembrick/Cr. Newstead)

Proceedings in brief

Cr Durkin returned to the meeting at 1.12pm.

WATER ACCOUNT 4406000002 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Decline the concealed leakage application on this occasion as a leak has not been identified, and
2. Invite a new application if a concealed leak is identified in the future.

(Cr. Newstead/Cr. Durkin)

WATER ACCOUNT 430000000 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council declines the request to waive the availability charges for the December 2018 water account.

(Cr. Newstead/Cr. Bembrick)

PROPOSAL TO NAME BLAYNEY WATER FILTRATION PLANT BUILDING (WS.SP.6)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorse the proposal to name the Blayney Water Filtration Building, the Darrell Sligar Building in recognition of his dedicated, loyal and committed service to CTW.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Newstead)

GENERAL MANAGER'S CONTRACT (GO.CO.1)

Proceedings in brief

The General Manager, Director Finance & Corporate Services and Director Operations & Technical Services left the meeting at 1.43pm and returned at 2.40pm.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council offer the General Manager an extension of his contract of employment to 30 June 2020.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Best)

RECOMMENDATION:

That as the deliberation of the Committee is concluded, the Council reconvene the Ordinary Meeting.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Best)

17) REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

19/018 RESOLVED:

That the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Best)

Next Meeting: The next meeting of Central Tablelands Water will be held in Grenfell on 17 April 2019.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 2.45pm.