

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water held at Grenfell, on  
Wednesday, 18 October 2023, commencing at 2.30pm**

**Present**

Cr. David Somervaille	(Chairperson)	Blayney
Cr. Andrew Rawson	(Deputy Chairperson)	Cabonne
Cr. Paul Best		Weddin
Cr. Michelle Cook		Weddin
Cr. Allan Ewin		Blayney
Cr. Marlene Nash		Cabonne
Gavin Rhodes	(General Manager)	
Peter McFarlane	(Director Finance & Corporate Services)	
Noel Wellham	(Director Operations & Technical Services)	
Achal Deo	(Governance & Executive Support Officer)	

**4. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY MEMBERS**

Nil

**5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

**23/069 RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water, held on 16 August 2023, being numbers 23/050 to 23/068 inclusive, be confirmed.

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Nash)

**6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Nil

**7. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

Nil

**8. PUBLIC FORUM**

Nil

**9. CHAIRPERSON'S MINUTES**

Nil

## **10. COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION**

Cr. Somervaille represented CTW at the following:

- Former Deputy Chairman, Kevin Walker's funeral - Canowindra – 1 September 2023.
- General Manager's Annual Performance Review – Blayney – 16 October 2023.
- CNSWJO Lachlan Regional Water Strategy workshop – Forbes – 18 October 2023.

Cr Rawson represented CTW at the following:

- CNSWJO Local Government Policy Lab Workshop - CSU Orange Campus – 28 September 2023.
- CTW Water Bottle Roll-Out program – Canowindra Public School – 13 October 2023.
- General Manager's Annual Performance Review – Blayney – 16 October 2023.

Cr. Nash represented CTW at the following:

- CTW Water Bottle Roll-Out program – St Joseph's and Manildra Public Schools – 18 August 2023.
- CTW ARIC Meeting - Blayney Shire Community Centre - 30 August 2023
- Former Deputy Chairman, Kevin Walker's funeral - Canowindra – 1 September 2023.

Cr Cook represented CTW at the following:

- General Manager's Annual Performance Review – Blayney – 16 October 2023.

## **11. NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

## **12. REPORTS OF STAFF**

### **12.1) CENTRAL NSW JOINT ORGANISATION BOARD MEETING HELD 23 AUGUST 2023 (CM.CF.3)**

#### **23/070 RESOLVED:**

That Council receive and note the Mayoral Report (including Minutes) for the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting held 23 August at Sydney, and the roundtable discussion with State Ministers and their representatives on 24 August 2023 at State Parliament.

(Cr. Cook/Cr. Best)

**12.2) CTW WATER BOTTLE ROLL-OUT PROGRAM (EM.PR.1)**

**23/071 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the report regarding the CTW water bottle roll-out program.

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Cook)

**12.3) FLOOD RECOVERY FUNDING UPDATE (WS.LI.1)**

**23/072 RESOLVED:**

That Council:

1. Note the report, and
2. Endorse the disaster recovery assistance motion for the Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2023.

(Cr. Best/Cr. Nash)

**12.4) BELUBULA WATER SECURITY PROJECT UPDATE (WS.SP.4)**

**23/073 RESOLVED:**

That Council note:

1. The Belubula Water Security project update report, and
2. The consultation process for the draft Lachlan Regional Water Strategy.

(Cr. Best/Cr. Nash)

**12.5) INQUIRY INTO PROTECTING LOCAL WATER UTILITIES FROM PRIVATISATION (WS.SP.4)**

**23/074 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the information pertaining to the inquiry into protecting local water utilities (LWUs) from privatisation.

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Cook)

**12.6) CLIMATE ADAPTATION STRATEGY (EM.PR.3)**

**23/075 RESOLVED:**

That Council:

1. Note the report, and
2. Endorse the climate adaptation strategy approach for Central Tablelands Water.

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Ewin)

**12.7) LAKE ROWLANDS CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE (WS.SP.4)**

**23/076 RESOLVED:**

That Council:

1. Note the report, and
2. Endorse the approach in developing a catchment management plan for Lake Rowlands.

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Best)

**12.8) WATER RESTRICTIONS SIGNAGE (WS.SD.1)**

**23/077 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the Water Restrictions Signage Project update report.

(Cr. Nash/Cr. Ewin)

**12.9) COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS UPDATE REPORT (GO.CO.1)**

**23/078 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the Council Resolutions Update Report to August 2023.

(Cr. Cook/Cr. Rawson)

**12.10) FINANCIAL MATTERS - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023 (FM.BA.1)**

**23/079 RESOLVED:**

That the information in relation to Council's Cash and Investments as at 30 September 2023 be noted.

(Cr. Nash/Cr. Rawson)

**12.11) AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE (ARIC) (CM.AU.1)**

**23/080 RESOLVED:**

1. That Council receive and note the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Minutes of the meeting of 30 August, 2023.
2. That Council receive and note the 2022/23 Chairperson's Annual Report.

(Cr. Nash/Cr. Ewin)

**12.12) POLICY REVIEW - PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES POLICY (CM.PL.1)**

**23/081 RESOLVED:**

That Council:

1. Note the report;
2. Endorse the draft Public Interest Disclosure Policy and place on public display for a period of 28 days, and
3. If no submissions are received during the public display period, the Public Interest Disclosure Policy be adopted

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Cook)

**12.13) POLICY REVIEW - CONTRACTOR MANAGEMENT POLICY (CM.PL.1)**

**23/082 RESOLVED:**

That Council:

1. Note the report, and
2. Endorse the draft Contractor Management Policy and place on public display for a period of 28 days.
3. If no submissions are received during the public display period the Contractor Management Policy be adopted.

(Cr. Nash/Cr. Cook)

**12.14) RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS UPDATE (ET.SP.2)**

**23/083 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the update report for the renewable energy projects.

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Best)

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

**23/084 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the information in the General Report.

(Cr. Rawson/Cr. Ewin)

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

**23/085 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the information in the report.

(Cr. Ewin/Cr. Nash)

**12.17)     WATER SECURITY - DROUGHT IMPACT UPDATE (WS.AM.1)**

**23/086     RESOLVED:**

That Council note the information in the report.

(Cr. Ewin/Cr. Nash)

*Proceedings in brief: Cr Cook left the meeting at 3.57pm.*

**13.   QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

(General Manager)

Nil

**14.   CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

Nil

**15.   LATE REPORTS**

Nil

**16.   CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

**Next Meeting:**   The next meeting of Central Tablelands Water will be held at Canowindra on Wednesday, 13 December 2023 at 10.30am.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 4.03pm.