

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL JANUARY MEETING HELD: February 1st 2024

1 OPEN MEETING

MEETING OPENED: The Ordinary Council Meeting opened at 11.20am

PRESENT AT MEETING:

Elected Members:

- Cr. Rex Edmunds
- Cr. Frederick Moreen
- Cr. Rex Sing

Staff:

- Dave Ferguson – Chief Executive Officer

Visitors:

- Nil

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Recommendation:

<2.1.02.01> That the Council notes the absence without notice of Cr. J. Moreen and Cr. B. Moreen for the Ordinary Council Meeting - January 2024.

Moved: Cr. R. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. R. Sing

Carried.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Recommendation:

<3.1.02.01> That Council receives and notes NIL declarations of interest for the Ordinary Council Meeting – January 2024

4 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Recommendation:

<4.1.02.01> That Council receives and notes NIL Deputations and Presentations for the Ordinary Council Meeting – January 2024

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Recommendation:

<5.1.02.01> That the Minutes of the December Ordinary Council Meeting held on 12th December 2023 and the Confidential section of the meeting be confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Cr. R. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. F. Moreen

Carried.

6 PRESIDENTS REPORT

6.1 The President reports to Council on his activities and any items of importance that have arisen since the last ordinary Council meeting.

- PRESIDENT Edmunds requested a community meeting and stakeholder meeting to be scheduled on Wednesday 21st February 2024.
- Concern expressed regarding illegal dumping adjacent to the sewerage treatment ponds. People entering the community and removing parts from old cars. Access needs to be blocked.

Recommendation

<6.1.02.01> That Council receives and notes the President's Report.

Moved: Cr. F. Moreen

Seconded: Cr. R. Sing

Carried.

7 CEO REPORT

7.1 Report from the CEO: General Administration

Recommendation

<7.2.02.01> That Council notes and endorses the report General Administration from the CEO as tabled.

Moved: Cr. R. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. R. Sing

Carried.

7.2 Report from Belyuen Aged Care Services

Nil report

7.3 Report from Belyuen Store

<7.3.02.01> That Council notes and endorses the report Belyuen Store as tabled.

Moved: Cr. R. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. F. Moreen

Carried.

8 FINANCIAL REPORTS

8.1 Monthly Financial Report – January

Recommendation:

<8.1.02.01> That Council notes and endorses the Monthly Financial Report for January 2024 as tabled:

Moved: Cr. R. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. R. Sing

Carried.

9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

- Request from Council to invite Executive from Core Lithium to meet with Council at February Ordinary Meeting. **Action Item:** CEO to write to Core Lithium.
- Request for a vehicle to be accessible by elected members to carry out business on behalf of Council – **Action Item:** CEO to source suitable vehicle.

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

Council raised several matters in General Business requiring action items.

- Rubbish piling up at the bottom of the community near the sewerage treatment plant – **Action item:** CEO to oversee clean up area and notify community of the hazard and associated risk.
- Pot holes increasing due to recent extreme weather – **Action item:** CEO to oversee repairs to internal roadworks.
- Speed bumps required down towards the Belyuen School road – **Action Item:** CEO to inspect area with works supervisor and address accordingly.
- Belyuen Market Garden – research opportunity to resurrect the market garden back to its original state. **Action Item:** CEO to inspect area and create/cost scope of works.
- Public accessing Council office area after hours, potential risk of damage to property and personal injury. **Action Item:** CEO to restrict free WIFI after 5pm. Restrict personal access via PA gates. Lock gates that allow access to the BCGC Administration area.
- Source grandstands for town oval – **Action Item:** CEO to source the cost and availability to supply and install 2 grandstands on Belyuen Town Oval.
- Painting of Belyuen public infrastructure – **Action Item:** CEO to source funding to paint public buildings internally and engage local artists to engage in a Belyuen Art Mural Project.

11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

12 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting closed at 3.34pm

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on **February 27th 2024** at the Belyuen Council Offices, Belyuen commencing at **11:00am**.