

**MINUTES OF MURRAY RIVER COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MOAMA ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, 52 PERRICOOTA
ROAD, MOAMA
ON TUESDAY, 28 JANUARY 2025 AT 1:00 PM**

PRESENT: Cr John Harvie (Mayor), Cr Neil Gorey (Deputy Mayor), Cr Joy Allan, Cr Kylie Berryman, Cr Gen Campbell, Cr Dennis Gleeson, Cr Bianca Hurn, Cr Gary Pappin, Cr Geoff Wise

IN ATTENDANCE: Sarah Ryan (Acting Chief Executive Officer), Lindy Leyonhjelm (Executive Assistant), Stephen Fernando (Director Corporate Services), Jack Bond (Director Infrastructure), Sandra Gordon (Manager Governance & Risk), Beck Hayward (Acting Director Economic Development & Community Services), Luke Keogh (Acting Director Planning & Environment)

1 OPENING MEETING

The Mayor held a short appropriate prayer.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country.

3 APOLOGIES & APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 10 DECEMBER 2024

RESOLUTION 020125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Gen Campbell

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Murray River Council held on 10 December 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Cr Campbell brought up and asked that staff take speedy action in contacting rate payers who have an item brought up.

Questions without notice arising from minutes of previous meeting/s

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5 DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Cr Gen Campbell declared a significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 11.2 Award of Tender for supply of spray sealing and associated services in the Confidential Matters report to Council.

Cr Gen Campbell declared a pecuniary conflict of interest in Items 9.33 Response to Notice of Motion - Meninya Street Moama Decision on Parking in the Director Infrastructure Report and Supplementary Matters and 10.4 Notice of Motion - Meninya Street Moama decision on parking in the Notice of Motions section of the papers.

Cr Dennis Gleeson declared a significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 11.2 Recommendation to Endorse Project Option - Barham River Estate Levee in the Confidential Matters section in the papers.

6 DEPUTATIONS

At this time, being 1:04pm, Mr Sean Slattery commenced his deputation to Council on Item 9.4.1 Review of Developer Contributions for DA 10.2024.154.1 – 72 Meninya Street Moama under the Director Planning & Environment Report and Supplementary Matters.

At this time, being 1:10pm, Mr David Wegener commenced his deputation to Council on the item of removal of angle parking in Meninya Street and right hand turn at Echuca street, Moama.

At 1:17 pm, Cr Gen Campbell left the meeting.

At 1:19 pm, Cr Gen Campbell returned to the meeting.

BRING FORWARD ITEM 9.4.1 REVIEW OF DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DA 10.2024.154.1 - 72 MENINYA STREET MOAMA

RESOLUTION 030125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Gary Pappin

That the Council brings forward Item 9.4.1 Review of Developer Contributions for DA 10.2024.154.1 – 72 Meninya Street Moama following the deputation made by Mr Sean Slattery.

CARRIED

At 1:26 pm, Cr Gen Campbell left the meeting.

BRING FORWARD ITEM 10.4 NOTICE OF MOTION - MENINYA STREET MOAMA DECISION ON PARKING

RESOLUTION 040125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That the Council brings forward Item 10.4 Notice of Motion - Meninya Street Moama decision on parking following the deputation made by Mr David Wegener.

CARRIED

At 1:45 pm, Cr Gen Campbell returned to the meeting.

7 MAYORAL MINUTE(S)**7.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY AGISTMENT****RESOLUTION 050125**

Moved: Cr Dennis Gleeson

Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

That Council delegate authority to the Acting Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and sign any documents which might be necessary to give effect to a short term licence agreement with Elders Echuca for the vacant land at Mathoura Line Road, Moama (Lot 3, DP813704) , for a maximum period of six (6) months (unless ended earlier at Council's option) and for the sole purpose of providing temporary agistment for livestock from fire affected properties in the Grampians region of Victoria, at a cost of \$1 and on such other terms as the Acting Chief Executive Officer considers appropriate. Council takes up with Elders that they do not make any profit from the agistment cattle on the property. Elders make note that Council do not have a PIC number and Elders would have to make allowances for that case.

CARRIED

At 1:56 pm, Cr Dennis Gleeson left the meeting.

At 1:59 pm, Cr Dennis Gleeson returned to the meeting.

7.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - CAMPAIGN FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO RECIEVE INCREASED FUNDING TO A MINIMUM OF 1% OF COMMONWEALTH TAXATION REVENUE**RESOLUTION 060125**

Moved: Cr John Harvie

That Council authorise the Mayor and CEO to collaborate with regional councils to advocate for increased local government funding, including a minimum allocation of 1% of Commonwealth taxation revenue.

CARRIED**8 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Nil

9 REPORTS TO COUNCIL**9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS****9.1.1 UPDATE - PLANNING PROPOSAL PP-2024-1477 RECLASSIFICATION OF 22 SITES IN BARHAM AND MOAMA FROM 'COMMUNITY' TO 'OPERATIONAL' LAND - DRAINAGE RESERVES.****RESOLUTION 070125**

Moved: Cr Neil Gorey

Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

That Council:

- a) notes the submission to the Public Hearing and the submission to the Public Exhibition and the commentary provided by the Independent Chair of the Public Hearing in response;
- b) proceeds with the Planning Proposal to reclassify 21 sites from 'Community' to 'Operational land, excluding one site (Lot 33 DP 1259774) from the original Planning Proposal; and
- c) resolves that the lots to be reclassified as Operational Land in this Planning Proposal must not be sold at any future stage unless their purpose or use is first amended.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs John Harvie, Neil Gorey, Joy Allan, Kylie Berryman, Dennis Gleeson, Bianca Hurn and Geoff Wise

Against: Crs Gen Campbell and Gary Pappin

CARRIED 7/2

9.1.2 MONTHLY OPERATIONAL REPORT

RESOLUTION 080125

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That the Monthly Operational Report as of December 2024 (covering the months of November & December) be received and the information noted by the Council.

CARRIED

9.1.3 SUBMISSIONS TO ALGA NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 24 - 27 JUNE 2025

RESOLUTION 090125

Moved: Cr Gary Pappin

Seconded: Cr Gen Campbell

That Council consider motions for submission to the National General Assembly (NGA) of the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) conference being held in Canberra from 24 – 27 June 2025.

CARRIED

9.1.4 ATTENDANCE TO THE AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 24 - 27 JUNE 2025

RESOLUTION 100125

Moved: Cr Dennis Gleeson

Seconded: Cr Gary Pappin

That Council

1. Put forward names of delegates to attend the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly being held in Canberra 24 – 27 June 2025.

2. Agree that the Mayor and CEO are two (2) of the nominated delegates attending the NGA and agree on the number of delegates attending, take into consideration the cost of travel, accommodation and attendance to the assembly.

CARRIED

Attendees:

Crs Campbell, Allen, Pappin, Gorey, Berryman, Hurn, Gleeson (TBC)

BRING FORWARD ITEM 10.3 NOM THAT RESOLUTION 050624 IS REVISTED AT THE 28 JANUARY 2025 COUNCIL MEETING FOR DEBATE WITH THE VIEW TO RESCIND.

RESOLUTION 110125

Moved: Cr Gary Pappin

Seconded: Cr Dennis Gleeson

That the Council brings forward Item 10.3 NoM That resolution 050624 is revisted at the 28 January 2025 council meeting for debate with the view to rescind.

CARRIED

9.1.5 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION - THAT RESOLUTION 050624 IS REVISITED AT THE 28 JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING FOR DEBATE WITH THE VIEW TO RESCIND

RESOLUTION 120125

Moved: Cr Neil Gorey

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That the Officer's report on Response to Notice of Motion - That Resolution 050624 is revisited at the 28 January Council Meeting for debate with the view to rescind be received and the information noted by the Council.

CARRIED

9.1.6 JOINT ADVOCACY FOR SOUTH WEST RENEWABLE ENERGY ZONE (SW REZ)

RESOLUTION 130125

Moved: Cr Dennis Gleeson

Seconded: Cr Neil Gorey

That Council authorise the Mayor and CEO to write to councils within the South West Renewable Energy Zone (SW REZ), seeking support for a joint advocacy initiative to promote regulatory flexibility in boundary definitions, ensuring equitable outcomes for communities impacted by renewable energy development.

CARRIED

9.1.7 RESOLUTIONS OF THE COUNCIL - RESOLUTION TRACKER & INFOCOUNCIL ACTION REPORTS**RESOLUTION 140125**

Moved: Cr Neil Gorey

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That the Council resolve to receive and note the status of previous resolutions of Council (in open and closed Council) contained in the Monthly Operation Report including the Resolution Tracker Reports.

CARRIED**9.2 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS****9.2.1 DRAFT GRAFFITI POLICY - REVIEW****RESOLUTION 150125**

Moved: Cr Bianca Hurn

Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

That

1. The DRAFT Graffiti Policy V#2 be adopted and the Policy Register updated; and
2. The previous version of this Policy be rescinded.

CARRIED**9.2.2 DRAFT WITHDRAWAL OF DEVELOPMENT & OTHER APPLICATIONS (REFUND OF FEES) POLICY - REVIEW****RESOLUTION 160125**

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Bianca Hurn

That

1. The DRAFT Withdrawal of Development & Other Applications (Refund of Fees) Policy V#2 be adopted and the Policy Register updated; and
2. The previous version of this Policy be rescinded.

CARRIED

At 3:26 pm, Cr Kylie Berryman left the meeting.

9.2.3 DRAFT PLAQUES & MEMORIALS POLICY - REVIEW**RESOLUTION 170125**

Moved: Cr Bianca Hurn

Seconded: Cr Gary Pappin

1. The DRAFT Plaques & Memorials Policy V#2 be adopted and the Policy Register updated; and
2. The previous version of this Policy be rescinded.

CARRIED**9.2.4 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST FOR THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILLORS****RESOLUTION 180125**

Moved: Cr Gary Pappin
Seconded: Cr Gen Campbell

That Council notes the Disclosure of Interest Returns by the newly elected Councillors have been tabled.

CARRIED

At 3:27 pm, Cr Kylie Berryman returned to the meeting.

9.2.5 CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY DRESS CODE POLICY - RESCIND**RESOLUTION 190125**

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell
Seconded: Cr Neil Gorey

That the Citizenship Ceremony Dress Code Policy be rescinded.

CARRIED**9.2.6 FINANCIAL REPORT - UNAUDITED FY 24/25 PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024****RESOLUTION 200125**

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell
Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That Murray River Council (Council) Resolve to receive the Unaudited Financial Statements for the period to 31 December 2024 (FY2024/25) and noting that reporting of monthly financial statements is not a regulatory requirement but nonetheless is being provided in furtherance of finance transparency and in keeping with financial reporting best practice.

CARRIED**9.3 DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS****9.3.1 AWARD OF CONTRACT MRC 2438 - COUNCIL STRUCTURAL (BRIDGE) ASSESSMENTS****RECOMMENDATION**

That the Officer's report on Award of Contract MRC 2438 - Council Structural (Bridge) Assessments as at 28 January 2025 be received and the information noted by the Council.

Report has been withdrawn

At 3:33 pm, Cr Dennis Gleeson left the meeting.

At 3:33 pm, Cr Gary Pappin left the meeting.

At 3:34 pm, Cr Bianca Hurn left the meeting.

At 3:36 pm, Cr Dennis Gleeson returned to the meeting.

At 3:36 pm, Cr Gary Pappin returned to the meeting.

At 3:37 pm, Cr Bianca Hurn returned to the meeting.

9.3.2 MURRAY RIVER COUNCIL LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**RESOLUTION 210125**

Moved: Cr Kylie Berryman

Seconded: Cr Neil Gorey

That Council note the DRAFT minutes of the Murray River Council Local Traffic Committee meeting held on Wednesday 4 December 2024.

CARRIED

9.3.3 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION - MENINYA STREET MOMA DECISION ON PARKING**RESOLUTION 220125**

Moved: Cr Neil Gorey

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That Council note and receive the Officer's response to the "Notice of Motion – Meninya Street Moama Decision on Parking".

That Councillors, acknowledge the advice provided in relation to car parking on Meninya Street, specifically the increased safety risks of angled car parking as stated in AS2890.5.

That Councillors acknowledge and accept the risks associated with the inclusion or retainment of angled car parking in Meninya Street.

CARRIED

9.4 DIRECTOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS**9.4.1 REVIEW OF DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DA 10.2024.154.1 - 72 MENINYA STREET MOAMA****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council apply the total *Section 7.11 Development Contributions and Section 64 Water and Sewer Headworks Charges for Development Application (DA) 10.2024.154.1 (modification to be known as DA 10.2024.154.2)* of \$40,909.14.

Note: This report and decision by Council is for the review of developer contributions only. The modifications to the DA for the plans have been determined by Council staff as acceptable under Delegated Authority.

MOTION WAS LOST

RESOLUTION 230125

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell

Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

Move Item # 4 stated in the body of the report to waive the total Contribution fees being \$40,909.14 as calculated under Council adopted Policy resulting in no fees payable to Council.

That Councils adopted policy be reviewed as a matter of urgency and in particular the contribution fees relating to extensions of existing buildings.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs John Harvie, Neil Gorey, Joy Allan, Kylie Berryman, Gen Campbell, Dennis Gleeson, Bianca Hurn, Gary Pappin and Geoff Wise

Against: Nil

CARRIED 9/0

9.5 DIRECTOR COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS

9.5.1 EMPLOYMENT LANDS STRATEGY - FINAL ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 240125

Moved: Cr Kylie Berryman

Seconded: Cr Neil Gorey

That Council adopt the Murray River Council Employment Lands Strategy.

CARRIED

9.5.2 MOAMA PRESCHOOL - REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN RENT

RESOLUTION 250125

Moved: Cr Kylie Berryman

Seconded: Cr Bianca Hurn

That Council:

1. agrees to proceed with the necessary steps to provide financial assistance to Moama and District Preschool ('the Preschool'), including public display and consultation.
2. in accordance with Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council will provide 28 days' public notice of a proposal to pass a resolution to grant financial assistance to the Preschool.
3. subject to the completion of the public notice period and consideration of any submissions received, Council resolves to reimburse the Preschool for its operational maintenance costs for the year 2024, up to a maximum of **\$14,925.05** including GST. This decision is

made in good faith and does not alter or cancel any other terms of the lease or contribution agreement between the parties.

4. delegate authority to the Acting CEO to enter into a deed of variation to the existing lease to remove the \$5,000 crown land rental component incurred by the Moama Preschool.

CARRIED

9.5.3 SOUTHERN RIVERINA REGIONAL DROUGHT RESILIENCE PLAN - PROJECT UPDATE

RESOLUTION 260125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Dennis Gleeson

That Council note the progress of the Southern Riverina Regional Drought Resilience Plan project.

CARRIED

9.5.4 ONE BASIN CRC MEMBERSHIP

RESOLUTION 270125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Gary Pappin

That Council resolve to:

1. Provide 12 months' notice to withdraw from the One Basin Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) project, in accordance with the terms of the ten-year agreement.
2. Redirect the \$10,000 annual membership fee currently allocated to the One Basin CRC to the Western Murray Land Improvement Group (WMLIG) to support their continued involvement and activities within the One Basin CRC.
3. Adjust the Economic Development budget to reflect the reallocation of the \$10,000 annual membership fee to WMLIG.
4. Monitor and evaluate WMLIG's projects regularly to ensure they align with Council's objectives and deliver the expected benefits to the community.
5. Leverage WMLIG's active involvement in the One Basin CRC to maintain a level of regional influence in the research activities.

CARRIED

9.5.5 ACCESS AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION 280125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Gen Campbell

That Council:

- 1) nominate a Councillor to represent Council on the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee (AIAC), and

- 2) the nominated Councillor attends the bi-monthly meetings, including the first committee meeting, scheduled for Monday, 10 February 2025, at 2:00pm in the Moama Council Chambers.
- 3) note that the nominated Councillor's appointment will be reconsidered as part of the annual review and delegation of Councillors to committees, held each September.

CARRIED

Cr Berryman is happy to be the nominated delegate at the request to change the meeting time to 1pm due to external requirements.

9.6 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

9.6.1 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

RESOLUTION 290125

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell

Seconded: Cr Dennis Gleeson

That the Correspondence Report be received and the information noted by the Council.

CARRIED

9.7 SUNDRY DELEGATES REPORT

9.7.1 SUNDRY DELEGATES REPORT

RESOLUTION 300125

Moved: Cr Bianca Hurn

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That the Sundry Delegates Report of the Mayor and Councillors for the period 1 December 2024 through to 31 December 2024 be received and the information noted by the Council; and reasonable out of pocket expenses be met by Council.

CARRIED

An incorrect item was added to Deputy Mayor, Cr Neil Gorey. He stated he did not attend the Moama Preschool AGM on 11 Dec.

Cr Geoff Wise was not listed in the report, however he did not supply a report to Council on the meetings and functions he attended.

10 NOTICE OF MOTIONS/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

10.1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION - RESOLUTION 091024 FROM 8 OCTOBER EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL BE RESCINDED AND A NEW MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 310125

Moved: Cr Gary Pappin
Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That

1. The resolution 091024 titled Setting the Dates, Times and Places for the Ordinary Council meetings including November 2024 through to September 2025 that was passed at the meeting of 8 October 2024 be rescinded.
2. That the new motion be;
 - (a) That Council meetings be held at 1pm on the fourth (4th) Tuesday of each month commencing at 1pm at the Moama Administration Office, Council Chambers. The pre-briefing should commence as needed at 9:30am or 10am.
 - (b) That Councillor workshops be held at Moulamein, Barham, Wakool & Mathoura on one occasion annually up until September 2025 and an invitation be extended to community members to meet with Councillors at a suitable time on those days.

CARRIED

10.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - TO DE-AMALGAMATE MURRAY RIVER COUNCIL AND RE-ESTABLISH THE FORMER TWO COUNCILS

MOTION

Moved: Cr Gary Pappin
Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

That Council initiate the process to de-amalgamate the Murray River Council under Section 218CC of the Local Government Act and re-establish the former Wakool Shire Council and Murray Shire Council.

To inform this decision, Council will:

1. Prepare an in-house business case outlining the financial, operational, and broader implications of de-amalgamation.
2. Consider conducting a poll of all voters in the area with the question:
"Do you support the de-amalgamation of Murray River Council to re-establish Wakool Shire Council and Murray Shire Council?"

In Favour: Crs Kylie Berryman, Gen Campbell and Gary Pappin

Against: Crs John Harvie, Neil Gorey, Joy Allan, Dennis Gleeson, Bianca Hurn and Geoff Wise

LOST 3/6

10.3 NOTICE OF MOTION - THAT RESOLUTION 050624 IS REVISITED AT THE 28 JANUARY 2025 COUNCIL MEETING FOR DEBATE WITH THE VIEW TO RESCIND

RESOLUTION 320125

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell
Seconded: Cr Gary Pappin

That Council revisit the resolution 050624 "That Murray River Council (MRC) resolve to instruct the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to commence administrative arrangements from February 2025

to apply to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) for a Special Rates Variation” for the purposes of debate and a view to rescind.

That staff are to take no further action in relation to pursuing a Special Rate Variation.

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs John Harvie, Joy Allan, Kylie Berryman, Gen Campbell, Bianca Hurn, Gary Pappin and Geoff Wise

Against: Crs Neil Gorey and Dennis Gleeson

CARRIED 7/2

10.4 NOTICE OF MOTION - MENINYA STREET MOAMA DECISION ON PARKING

RESOLUTION 330125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That Council:

1. Retain the current angle parking at the three existing sites on Meninya Street to preserve their integrity.
2. Direct Council staff to obtain an updated streetscape plan that incorporates and retains all existing angle parking spaces.

CARRIED

11 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 340125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Dennis Gleeson

That Council moves out of Open Council into Closed Council at 4:45pm.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATION

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

11.1 Recommendation to Endorse Project Option - Barham River Estate Levee

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - c of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

11.2 Award of Tender for supply of spray sealing and associated services

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - d(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

11.3 Moama WTP Land Purchase

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - c of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

RESOLUTION 350125

Moved: Cr Bianca Hurn

Seconded: Cr Neil Gorey

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 5:10pm.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 400125

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell

Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

That Council brings forward the resolutions from Closed Council into Open Council and these be read aloud.

CARRIED

At 4:46 pm, Cr Gen Campbell left the meeting.

BRING FORWARD ITEM 11.2 AWARD OF TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF SPRAY SEALING AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES**RESOLUTION 360125**

Moved: Cr Dennis Gleeson

Seconded: Cr Bianca Hurn

That the Council brings forward Item 11.2 - Award of Tender for supply of spray sealing and associated services

CARRIED

11.2 AWARD OF TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF SPRAY SEALING AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES

RESOLUTION 370125

Moved: Cr Kylie Berryman

Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

That Council:

1. Accepts the tender submitted by Rich River Asphalt Pty Ltd for the provision of road sealing works and asphalt surfacing at various locations across Murray River Council at a total cost of \$2,313,657.28 (inc. GST) for the 2024/25 program.
2. Authorises the Acting CEO to execute the contract and any associated documentation. Authorises the Acting CEO to approve a PO for the Contract value.
3. Delegate authority to the Acting CEO to approve variations to the contract provided such variations are within the allocated project budget

CARRIED

At 4:55 pm, Cr Dennis Gleeson left the meeting.

At 4:56 pm, Cr Gen Campbell returned to the meeting.

11.1 RECOMMENDATION TO ENDORSE PROJECT OPTION - BARHAM RIVER ESTATE LEVEE

MOTION

Moved: Cr Kylie Berryman

Seconded: Cr Geoff Wise

That Council:

1. Receive the information contained in this report regarding the Barham River Estate Levee Upgrade Project; and
2. Endorse Option B to complete the project in a staged approach, with Stage 1 to be completed within the existing approved budget.
3. Approves submission of a grant funding application to seek funding for the remaining works with a 6:1 funding ratio, noting that this will require additional Council funding of \$225,000 in a future financial year.

MOTION WAS LOST

RESOLUTION 380125

Moved: Cr Gen Campbell

Seconded: Cr Joy Allan

FORESHADOWED MOTION

That Council defer the motion until the next Council meeting (25 February 2025) to engage with Legal Counsel for further options to recoup costs.

CARRIED

At 4:59 pm, Cr Bianca Hurn left the meeting.

At 4:59 pm, Cr Gary Pappin left the meeting.

At 5:00 pm, Cr Gary Pappin returned to the meeting.

At 5:01 pm, Cr Bianca Hurn returned to the meeting.

At 5:02 pm, Cr Gary Pappin left the meeting.

At 5:05 pm, Cr Dennis Gleeson returned to the meeting.

11.3 MOAMA WTP LAND PURCHASE

RESOLUTION 390125

Moved: Cr Geoff Wise

Seconded: Cr Kylie Berryman

That Council resolve to amend the previous purchase price of resolution 431024 to the value listed in the report and delegate authority to the Acting CEO or her delegate to negotiate.

CARRIED

12 CONCLUSION OF MEETING

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5:13pm.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Murray River Council will be held on Tuesday 25 February 2025, commencing at 1:00 PM, in Council Chambers, Moama Administration Office, 52 Perricoota Road, Moama.

THESE MINUTES ARE SIGNED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE MURRAY RIVER COUNCIL HELD ON 28 JANUARY 2025, IN ACCORDANCE WITH A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL ON 25 FEBRUARY 2025.



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MAYOR

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Acting CEO

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