

Present

Councillors: Councillor Eric (Rick) Britton

Councillor Sam Beauchamp

Councillor Tim Edgar

Councillor Jack Neilson (via teleconference)

Councillor Jan Norton

Officers: Ms Lynn Moore (Chief Executive Officer)

Mrs Kaylene Sloman (Director of Corporate Services)

Mrs Nicole Tonkies (Executive Assistant)

The Budget Meeting was opened at 12.31 pm.

2022/B7.1 Revenue Statement

Moved: Councillor Edgar Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That in accordance with Section 169(2)(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the 2022/2023 Boulia Shire Revenue Statement be hereby adopted.

2022/B7.2 Revenue Policy

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp Seconded: Councillor Norton

That in accordance with Section 169(2)(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the 2022/2023 Boulia Shire Council Revenue Policy - Policy 109 Revenue – 2022/23 be hereby adopted.

2022/B7.3 Long Term Financial Forecast

Moved: Councillor Britton Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That in accordance with Section 169(2)(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the 2022/2023 Boulia Shire Council Long Term Financial Forecast - 2022/23 be hereby adopted.

2022/B7.4 Differential General Rate Categories

Moved: Councillor Edgar Seconded: Councillor Beauchamp

That in accordance with section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised, and the description of those categories for the 2022/2023 financial year be as set out in the first table appearing in Council's Revenue Statement 2022/2023.

2022/B7.5 Identification

Moved: Councillor Edgar Seconded: Councillor Britton

That in accordance with section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power, contained in subsections (4) and (5) of section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, to identify the rating category to which each parcel of rateable land belongs.

2022/B7.6 Differential General Rates and Minimum General Rates

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp Seconded: Councillor Edgar

That in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 80 and 77 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the differential general rates, and minimum general rates, for the 2022/2023 financial year be as set out in the first table appearing in Council's Revenue Statement 2022/2023.

Utility Charges:

2022/B7.7 Cleansing

Moved: Councillor Britton Seconded: Councillor Edgar

That in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves to levy a cleansing utility charges, as further detailed in Council's Revenue Statement 2022/2023.

The cleansing utility charges shall be:

\$379.00 per annum for Residential occupied premises (collected once per week)

\$195.00 per annum for Additional Bin service at Residential occupied premises (collected once per week)

\$1,227.00 per annum for Commercial Bin Service (collected three times per week 2 bins)

Where a service is provided for only part of the year cleansing charges will be levied on a pro rata time basis.

Charges for the collection of industrial and bulk waste will be based on type of waste, volume and frequency of collection. Charges will be determined on a cost recovery basis as required.

2022/B7.8 Waste Management

Moved: Councillor Edgar Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves to levy a waste management utility charge, as further detailed in Council's Revenue Statement 2022/2023.

The waste management utility charge shall be:

\$90.00 per annum for all unoccupied/vacant land in townships and all rural properties within a 30 kilometres radius of the townships of Boulia and Urandangi.

2022/B7.9 Sewerage

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp

Seconded: Councillor Edgar

That in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, sewerage utility charges for the 2022/2023 year are made and will be levied for the purposes of providing for the removal of refuse from all occupied premises (domestic and commercial), as further detailed in Council's Revenue Statement 2022/2023.

The sewerage utility charge (connected) shall be \$482.00 per annum.

The sewerage utility charge (not connected) shall be \$194.00 per annum.

Commercial properties shall be charged based on a comparison to a standard house block, dependant on its size, use and impact on these services.

2022/B7.10 Boulia and Urandangi Water Schemes

Moved: Councillor Britton

Seconded: Councillor Norton

That in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Boulia Shire Council hereby levies Water Utility Charges for the Financial Year 2022/2023, as further detailed in Council's Revenue Statement 2022/2023.

The water utility charge shall be \$683.00 per annum.

The vacant land water utility charge shall be \$493.00 per annum.

Commercial properties shall be charged based on a comparison to a standard house block, dependant on its size, use and impact on these services.

Separate Charge:

2022/B7.11 Environmental

Moved: Councillor Neilson

Seconded: Councillor Beauchamp

That in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 103 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves to levy an environmental separate charge, as further detailed in Council's Revenue Statement 2022/2023.

The environmental separate charge shall be:

\$50.00 per annum for all properties in the Boulia Shire.

2022/B7.12 Levy and Payment

Moved: Councillor Norton

Seconded: Councillor Britton

That in accordance with section 107 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and section 114 of the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*, Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy be levied:

- for half year 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022 in August/September 2022; and
- for the half year 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 in February/March 2023.

Pursuant to section 118 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy, be paid within 30 clear days of the date of the issue of the rate notice.

2022/B7.13 Interest

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp

Seconded: Councillor Edgar

That in accordance with section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a charge of 8.17 percent compounding interest calculated on daily rests be hereby made and levied on rates and charges that are 30 days overdue starting on 1st July 2022.

2022/B7.14 Discount

Moved: Councillor Britton

Seconded: Councillor Norton

That in accordance with section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a discount of 6% be allowed for all current Council residential rates & charges (excluding fire levy) if paid within 30 days of issue, and that such discount be calculated as a percentage of the gross rate/charges levied, and only be granted if all current and outstanding rates have been paid in full.

2022/B7.15 Council Pensioner Rate Remission

Moved: Councillor Norton

Seconded: Councillor Beauchamp

That in accordance with sections 121 & 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council will not charge general rates to pensioners who reside in their own premises within the townships of Boulia and Urandangi and that Council offers a 30% subsidy on all services (excepting the fire levy) to pensioners who reside in their own premises within the townships of Boulia and Urandangi. This subsidy is in addition to the 20% subsidy offered by the State Government with both subsidies capped at \$180.00 per annum each.

2022/B7.16 Fees and Charges

Moved: Councillor Neilson

Seconded: Councillor Britton

That in accordance with section 97 of the *Local Government Act* 2009, the 2022/2023 Fees and Charges as presented in the Boulia Shire Council Budget Papers 2022/2023 be hereby adopted.

2022/B7.17 Annual Operational Plan 2022/2023

Moved: Councillor Edgar

Seconded: Councillor Beauchamp

That in accordance with section 174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Annual Operational Plan for the year ended 30th June 2023 as presented in the Boulia Shire Council Budget Papers 2022/2023 be hereby adopted.

2022/B7.18 Statement of Estimated Financial Position

Moved: Councillor Britton

Seconded: Councillor Norton

That in accordance with section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the statement of the financial operations and financial position of the Council in respect of the 2021/2022 financial year ("the Statement of Estimated Financial Position"), as presented in the Boulia Shire Council Budget Papers 2022/2023, be received and its contents noted.

2022/B7.19 Budget Adoption

Moved: Councillor Britton

Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That in accordance with sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2022/2023 financial year, incorporating:

- i. The statements of financial position;
- ii. The statements of cash flow;
- iii. The statements of income and expenditure;
- iv. The statements of changes in equity;
- v. The long-term financial forecast;
- vi. The revenue statement;
- vii. The revenue policy;
- viii. The Procurement policy (policy 101), Debt policy (policy 107), Internal Audit Policy 2022/23 (policy 110), Investment Policy 2022/2023 (Policy 119), Environmental Levy policy (policy 162), Fraud and Corruption Control policy (policy 133), Community Facilities Hire policy 22/23 (policy 145)
- ix. The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and
- x. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget,

as presented in the Boulia Shire Council Budget Papers 2022/2023, be adopted.

The Budget Meeting was closed at 1.12 pm.

Minutes confirmed: 19th August 2022

Resolution No.: 2022/08.2