



**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ON Friday 24 September 2021
COMMENCING AT 9:00 am**

1 Meeting Opening with the Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

Please note:

In some instances, due to unforeseen circumstances, the sequence of the Ordinary Meeting of Council on the meeting day may vary from the order of the agenda issued. The corresponding meeting minutes will follow the outline of the originally issued agenda, however the resolution numbers noted will be in accordance with the actual sequence of the meeting on the day.

The Mayor opened the meeting at 09:44 am.

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional carers of the land on which Council meets, the 'Pitta Pitta' people, and paid Council's respects to the elders past and present.

The Mayor also acknowledged past and present service personnel.

It has been noted that the Mayor has reminded all Councillors in regards to registration of interests and declaration of contact with or engagement of lobbyists.

2 Present

Councillors: Councillor Eric (Rick) Britton
Councillor Sam Beauchamp
Councillor Tim Edgar
Councillor Jack Neilson
Councillor Jan Norton

Officers: Ms Lynn Moore (Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs Kaylene Sloman (Director of Corporate Services)
Mr Harin Karra (Director of Works and Operations)
Ms Estelle van Tonder (Acting Executive Assistant)

3 Apologies / Leave of Absence

There were no apologies or leaves of absence for this meeting.

4 Declaration of Interests

Councillor Edgar declared a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the report 11.1.1 Sale of Council Housing - 54 Moonah Street in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* section 150EM due to being the applicant for approval. Councillor Edgar will leave the meeting while this matter is discussed and voted on.

5 Mayoral Minutes

There were no Mayoral Minutes to be noted at this meeting.

6 Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motions to be noted at this meeting.

7 Request to Address Council in a Public Forum

There were no requests to address the Council.

8 Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Meetings

Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Norton

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 August 2021 be accepted.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.1

Carried

9 Reports

9.1 Works and Operations

TITLE:	Engineering Services Report – Newsbrief for August 2021	DOC REF: 9.1.1
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PURPOSE: To inform Council on the progress of various items through an information update.
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Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That the Engineering Services Report – Newsbrief for August 2021 be noted.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.2

Carried

TITLE:	Grants Work Status Summary – August 2021	DOC REF: 9.1.2
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PURPOSE: To advise Council of the progress of projects being completed with the assistance of either funding provided by Council, State or Federal Grants.
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Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Edgar

That the Grants Work Status Summary August 2021 report on the progress of the funded projects be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.3

Carried

TITLE:	Foreman, Road Maintenance and Utility Services August 2021 Report	DOC REF: 9.1.3
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Town Department during the month of August 2021.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Norton

That Council receive the Foreman, Road Maintenance and Utility Services August 2021 report for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.4

Carried

TITLE:	Foreman Roads Maintenance and Construction August 2021	DOC REF: 9.1.4
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Works Department in line with the Boulia works program.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That Council receive the Foreman Roads Maintenance and Construction August 2021 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.5

Carried

The meeting was adjourned for the Official handover of the new SES Trailer at 10:30 am.
The meeting resumed at 10:55 am.

TITLE:	Rural Lands Protection Officer AUGUST 2021 Report	DOC REF: Item D
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of current activities relating to weed management, pest control, animal management and stock routes.

Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Britton

That the Rural Lands Protection Officer August 2021 Report be received for information

Resolution No.: 2021/9.6

Carried

9.2 Office of the Chief Executive

TITLE:	Chief Executives Report for August 2021	DOC REF: 9.2.1
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of the activities of the Chief Executive Office.

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the Chief Executive Officer August 2021 report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.7**Carried**

TITLE:	Action List - August 2021 Update	DOC REF: 9.2.2
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PURPOSE:

To present to Council an updated Action List.

Moved: Cr Edgar**Seconded: Cr Beauchamp**

That the Action List update for August 2021 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.8**Carried**

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 11:55 am.

The meeting resumed at 12:40 am.

TITLE:	Annual Valuation effective June 2022	DOC REF: 9.2.3
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PURPOSE:

To respond by the 11th October 2021 to the request for an annual valuation to be completed by the Valuer General.

In line with the requirements of the Act, they seek our local government's opinion on whether a valuation of our local government should be undertaken to be effective on 30 June 2022.

Moved: Cr Britton**Seconded: Cr Norton**

That a letter of response be returned to advise the Valuer General of Council's recommendation regarding valuation for the 2022 period.

Resolution No: 2021/9.9**Carried**

TITLE:	WHSA / Insurance / Risk Management August Report	DOC REF: 9.2.4
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of progressions and or issues of concern regarding Workplace Health and Safety.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp**Seconded: Cr Neilson**

That Council receive the Workplace Health and Safety - WHSA / Insurance / Risk Management August 2021 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.10**Carried****9.3 Corporate Services**

TITLE:	Director of Corporate Services August 2021 Update	DOC REF: 9.3.1
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of the activities of the Director of Corporate Services.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the Director of Corporate Services August 2021 Report be received for information purposes.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.11

Carried

TITLE:	Landfill Remediation Policy	DOC REF: 9.3.2
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PURPOSE:

To review and update Council's Policies in accordance with the adopted procedure to ensure that Policies made by Council are compliant with legislation and are reviewed in a timely manner.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That the policy Landfill Remediation be endorsed as presented and are loaded on the Councillor Hub.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.12

Carried

TITLE:	Audit & Risk Management Committee Report	DOC REF: 9.3.3
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PURPOSE:

To present Council with the Audit and Risk Management Meeting Minutes held on 30th August 2021.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the Director of Corporate Services Audit Report for August 2021 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.13

Carried

TITLE:	Finance Manager August 2021 Report	DOC REF: 9.3.4
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PURPOSE:

Financial Summary as at 31st August 2021

Moved: Cr Edgar

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That the Finance Report for August 2021 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.14

Carried

9.4 Community Services

TITLE:	Community Services August Report	DOC REF: 9.4.1
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PURPOSE:

To provide Council with an update of the activities associated with Council's community development activities.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the Community Services August Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.15

Carried

TITLE:	Community Drought Support 2021 Funding	DOC REF: 9.4.2
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PURPOSE:

To provide Council with an update of the activities associated with Councils' community development activities.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That Council arrange for 500 (five hundred) cards to be uploaded with \$200 (two hundred dollars) each. These cards will be allocated to persons with a Boulia or Urandangi address, reflected on their drivers licence as at 24 September 2021. These cards are only to be used for purchases at local stores and valid until December 2022.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.16

Carried

TITLE:	Television Advertising Report	DOC REF: 9.4.3
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PURPOSE:

To report to Council on Community Services tourism advertising activities to promote Boulia.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That this information report be received.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.17

Carried

TITLE:	Sports Centre August 2021 Report	DOC REF: 9.4.4
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the centre.

Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Britton

That Council receive the Boulia Sports and Aquatic Centre August 2021 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.18

Carried

TITLE:	Library August 2021 Report	DOC REF: 9.4.5
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PURPOSE:

To update Council on the visitations and activities in the Library.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Norton

That Council receives the August 2021 Library Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.19

Carried

TITLE:	Boulia Heritage Complex August 2021 Report	DOC REF: 9.4.6
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PURPOSE:

To update Council on the visitations and activities at the Boulia Heritage Complex.

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Britton

That the Boulia Heritage Complex August 2021 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.20

Carried

TITLE:	Min Min Encounter August 2021 Report	DOC REF: 9.4.7
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PURPOSE:

To report on the day-to-day operations of the Min Min Encounter and to promote tourism in the Shire and surrounding region.

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the Min Min Encounter August 2021 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.21

Carried

10 Late Reports

There were no late reports presented at this meeting.

11 Closed Session

CLOSED MEETING AT 2:39 pm

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That Council move into Closed Session in accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012 section 254J (3) on the following provision:

(g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;

Resolution No.: 2021/9.22

Carried

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION AT 2:44 pm

Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

It was resolved Council move out of the closed meeting, and adopt the recommendations discussed in closed committee.

Resolution No.: 2021/9.23

Carried

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Norton

The following recommendations were resolved from the closed session:

1. That Council proceed with the sale of 54 Moonah Street to the approved applicant as per the conditions imposed under the Ministerial consent received and the approval to proceed received from the Department of Local Government Racing and Multicultural Affairs.
2. That the council approve the CEO to do all things necessary to progress the sale of 54 Moonah Street as per Ministerial approval.

Resolution No: 2021/9.24

Carried

12 General Business

There was no general business to be noted at this meeting.

13 Meeting Closure

The Mayor closed the meeting at 3:01 pm.

14 Confirmed

Minutes to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.