



**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ON Friday 16 September 2022
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 9.03 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.

Council observed a minutes silence in honour of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

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 Jack Neilson
Councillor Jan Norton

Officers: Mr Ray Geraghty (Acting Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs Kaylene Sloman (Director of Corporate Services)
Mr Ajay Agwan (Director of Works and Operations)
Ms Karen Haer (Executive Assistant)
Mrs Nicole Tonkies (Records Officer)

3 Apologies / Leave of Absence

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the apology from Cr Edgar be accepted and they be granted leave of absence from the 16th September 2022 Council meeting.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.1

Carried

4 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest relevant to reports at this meeting.

5 Mayoral Minutes

TITLE:	Mayoral Minute for July 2022	DOC REF: 5.1.1
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PURPOSE:

This report will provide feedback on the activities of the Mayor on behalf of the community and supporting organisations for the benefit of Boulia and surrounding areas.

Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Norton

That the Mayoral Minute for July 2022 report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.2

Carried

TITLE:	Mayoral Minute – RFCSNQ 2022	DOC REF: 5.1.2
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PURPOSE:

This report will provide information from the RFCSNQ activities of the Mayor on behalf of the community and supporting organisations for the benefit of Boulia and surrounding areas.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the Mayoral Minute - RFCSNQ 2022 report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.3

Carried

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 Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Britton

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 19th August 2022 be accepted subject to the following correction for Resolution No.: 2022/08.10:

That Boullia Shire Council approves the list of suppliers presented in the tender summary report for T2021-22.19: Plant Hire, Trade Services and Suppliers, for a validity period of twelve (12) months with an option to extend for additional twelve (12) month increments to a maximum total of thirty-six (36) months up to 30th June 2025.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.4

Carried

Cr Britton left the meeting at 9.08am and Cr Neilson chaired the meeting.

9 Reports

9.1 Works and Operations

TITLE:	Engineering Service Report – Newsbrief for August 2022	DOC REF: 9.1.1
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council on the progress of various items through an information update.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Norton

That the Engineering Services Report – Newsbrief for August 2022 be noted.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.5

Carried

TITLE:	Foreman Road Maintenance and Utility Services Report August 2022	DOC REF: 9.1.2
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Town Department during the month of August 2022.

Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That Council receive the Foreman, Road Maintenance and Utility Services August 2022 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.6

Carried

Cr Britton returned to the meeting at 9.12 am and resumed the chair.

TITLE:	Foreman Roads Maintenance and Construction Report August 2022	DOC REF: 9.1.3
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PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That Council receive the Foreman Roads Maintenance and Construction August 2022 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.7

Carried

TITLE:	QRA Flood Damage Works Department August 2022 Report	DOC REF: 9.1.4
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Flood Damage Program.

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the QRA Flood Damage Works Department August 2022 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.8

Carried

TITLE:	Rural Lands Protection Officer August 2022 Report	DOC REF: 9.1.5
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PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Cr Neilson

Seconded: Cr Britton

That the Rural Lands Protection Officer August 2022 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.9

Carried

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Britton

Resolve that Council investigate implementing a systematic inspection for dog registration in Boulia town area.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.10

Carried

9.2 Office of the Chief Executive

TITLE:	Chief Executives Report for August 2022	DOC REF: 9.2.1
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of relevant activities undertaken through the office of the CEO.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Britton

That the CEO August 2022 report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.11

Carried

TITLE:	Action List Update August 2022	DOC REF: 9.2.2
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PURPOSE:

To present to Council an updated Action List.

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Britton

That Council receive the Action List update for August 2022 for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.12**Carried**

The meeting was adjourned for morning tea at 9.44 am. Mr Agwan left the meeting at 9.44 am.

The meeting resumed at 10.09 am.

TITLE:	Workplace Health and Safety - WHSA / RRTW August 2022 Report	DOC REF: 9.2.3
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of progressions and or issues of concern regarding WH&S.

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

That Council receive the Workplace Health and Safety - WHSA/RRTW August 2022 Report for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.13**Carried****9.3 Corporate Services**

TITLE:	Director of Corporate and Financial Services August 2022 Report	DOC REF: 9.3.1
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PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the activities performed by the Director of Corporate Services.

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

That the Director of Corporate Services August 2022 report be accepted as information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.14**Carried**

TITLE:	Policy Reviews	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 Neilson**

1. *That the following policies be endorsed as presented:*
 - Audit & Risk Management Committee Policy 108
 - Debt Collection Policy 106
2. *That all policies are loaded on the Councillor hub.*

Resolution No.: 2022/09.15**Carried**

TITLE:	Boulia Outback Chapel Rates	DOC REF: 9.3.3
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PURPOSE:

To advise Council of the request to waiver the rates relating to the Boulia Outback Chapel.

Moved: Cr Norton**Seconded: Cr Neilson**

1. That Council in accordance with the exemption as per the Act and Regulations, not charge general rates and subsidise the utility charges for garbage (no charge) and water (50% of normal charge) to Boulia Outback Chapel.
2. Council pay the Waste Management Facility Levy, Environmental Levy Water and Sewerage charges as a donation.
3. Council advise the Boulia Outback Chapel that Council will pay and exempt all charges that Council is responsible for.
4. That the assessment be amended to maintain the exemption for general rates and utility charges to reflect no charge for garbage services, water be charged at 50% of the normal rate, waste management levy, environmental levy and sewerage to be charged as normal for the 2022/23 financial year and future years until such time as a change of use is reported from Department of Resources.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.16

Carried

TITLE:	Audit and Risk Management Committee Report	DOC REF: 9.3.4
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PURPOSE:

To present Council with the Audit and Risk Management Meeting Minutes held on 14th September 2022.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That the Director of Corporate Services Audit and Risk Management Committee Report for September 2022 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.17

Carried

TITLE:	Finance Manager August 2022 Report	DOC REF: 9.3.5
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PURPOSE:

Financial Summary as at 31st August 2022.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Norton

That the Finance Managers Report for August 2022 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.18

Carried

9.4 Community Services

TITLE:	Community Services Report for August 2022	DOC REF: 9.4.1
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PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Cr Norton

Seconded: Cr Neilson

That the August 2022 Community Services Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.19

Carried

TITLE:	Distribution of prepaid cards in Urandangi Report	DOC REF: 9.4.2
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PURPOSE:

To report on the distribution of the hardship funded prepaid credit cards in Urandangi.

Moved: Cr Beauchamp

Seconded: Cr Britton

That the Distribution of prepaid cards in Urandangi Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.20

Carried

Councillors discussed correspondence received from the LGAQ in regards to election of the Local Government Association of Queensland's (LGAQ) Policy Executive District Representatives 2020-2024.

Moved: Cr Britton

Seconded: Cr Beauchamp

That Council nominate Mayor Andrew Martin from Blackall-Tambo Regional Council as the Local Government Association of Queensland's (LGAQ) Policy Executive District Representative for 2020-2024.

Resolution No.: 2022/09.21

Carried

10 Late Reports

There were no late reports presented to Council.

11 Closed Session

There were no Closed Session Reports presented to Council.

12 General Business

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

13 Meeting Closure

The Mayor closed the meeting at 11.21 am.

14 Confirmed

Minutes confirmed – 21.10.2022

Resolution: No.: 2022/10.1

