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Extraordinary Council Meeting

14 December 2023

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**MINUTES OF GOULBURN MULWAREE COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC CENTRE, 184 - 194 BOURKE STREET,
GOULBURN
ON THURSDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2023 AT 5PM**

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Walker, Deputy Mayor Cr Steven Ruddell, Michael Prevedello (via Zoom), Cr Daniel Strickland, Cr Jason Shepherd & Cr Andy Wood (via Zoom).

IN ATTENDANCE: Aaron Johansson (Chief Executive Officer), Brendan Hollands (Director Corporate and Community Services) & Amy Croker (Office Manager to Mayor and Chief Executive Officer)

1 OPENING MEETING

Mayor Peter Walker opened the meeting 5pm. The Mayor advised that the meeting would be webcast live.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Mayor Peter Walker made the following acknowledgement.

"I would like to Acknowledge and pay our respects to the Aboriginal elders both past and present as well as emerging leaders, and Acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Land on which we meet today."

3 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION AND/OR PRAYER

The declaration was read by Deputy Mayor Steve Ruddell.

4 APOLOGIES

RESOLUTION 2023/276

Moved: Cr Jason Shepherd

Seconded: Cr Michael Prevedello

That the apology received from Cr Bob Kirk & Cr Carol James be accepted.

CARRIED

5 APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

5.1 CR BOB KIRK REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLUTION 2023/277

Moved: Cr Daniel Strickland

Seconded: Cr Steven Ruddell

That:

- 1. The report of the Chief Executive Officer on Cr Bob Kirk request for Leave of Absence be received.**
- 2. Council grants leave of absence to Cr Bob Kirk for the period 5 December 2023 to 31 January 2024 due to health reasons.**

CARRIED

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLUTION 2023/278

Moved: Cr Steven Ruddell

Seconded: Cr Daniel Strickland

That the application for leave of absence from Cr Carol James OAM be accepted due to prior commitments with the Goulburn Mulwaree Youth Council.

CARRIED

6 ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK

RESOLUTION 2023/279

Moved: Cr Jason Shepherd

Seconded: Cr Steven Ruddell

That Cr Andy Wood & Cr Michael Prevedello attend the Council meeting virtually.

CARRIED

7 LATE ITEMS / URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

8 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Nil

9 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

10 PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

11 REPORTS TO COUNCIL FOR DETERMINATION

11.1 GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SPECIAL PURPOSE STATEMENTS 2022/23

RESOLUTION 2023/280

**Moved: Cr Andy Wood
Seconded: Cr Steven Ruddell**

That

- 1. The report from the Director Corporate & Community Services on the General Purpose Financial Statements and Special Purpose Statements 2022/23 be received.**
- 2. The Statements under s413(2) Local Government Act 1993 be endorsed and signed off by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager and Responsible Accounting Officer to enable the Independent Auditors reports to be issued.**
- 3. Council approve the Financial Statements for lodgement with the Office of Local Government.**
- 4. Council approve the Financial Statements to be placed on public exhibition with the Audited Financial Statements to be presented to Council at the first available meeting following receipt of the Auditors Report.**

CARRIED

12 CLOSED SESSION

Council must resolve to move into Closed Session to deal with any items under s10 *Local Government Act 1993*.

There were no closed session reports for determination.

13 CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

The Meeting closed at 5.35pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 19 December 2023.

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**Cr Peter Walker
Mayor**

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**Aaron Johansson
Chief Executive Officer**