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PRESENT Cllr K Beatty (in the Chair following election), Cllrs P Batten, J Jones, M Nash, L Oldham, K O’Ryan, A Pull, A Rawson, J Weaver.

Also present were the Deputy General Manager - Cabonne Services, Deputy General Manager - Cabonne Infrastructure, Department Leader – Innovation & Technology, Executive Support Officer – Cabonne Services and Governance Officer.

The General Manager and Department Leader - Governance & Corporate Performance attended remotely.

ITEMS FOR DETERMINATION

ITEM - 1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Proceedings in Brief

The Deputy General Manager Infrastructure recited an Acknowledgment of Country in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

MOTION (Rawson/Weaver)

THAT an Acknowledgement of Country be recited in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice policy.

22/01/01 Carried

ITEM - 2 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MOTION (Oldham/Jones)

THAT it be noted there were nil applications for leave of absence.

22/01/02 Carried

ITEM - 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Proceedings in Brief

Cllr Pull declared an interest (identified as a perceived conflict of interest, pecuniary interest) in item 10 as he is an employee of Central Tablelands Water.

MOTION (Pull/Weaver)

THAT the declaration of interest be noted.

22/01/03 Carried

ITEM - 4 DECLARATIONS FOR POLITICAL DONATIONS

MOTION (Oldham/Beatty)

THAT it be noted there were nil declarations for political donations.

22/01/04

Carried

ITEM - 5 MAYORAL ELECTIONS PROCEDURE 2022

Proceedings in Brief

The Deputy General Manager Infrastructure advised that for the purpose of the elections the Deputy General Manager Services has been appointed as the Returning Officer.

MOTION (Oldham/Weaver)

THAT Council:

1. Re-affirm its previous practice of conducting voting for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor by preferential ballot where three or more nominations are received, otherwise by ordinary ballot.
2. Note the Mayor elected will hold their office until the mid-term mayoral election in September 2023.
3. Confirm that the Deputy Mayor elected will hold their office until the September 2022 Ordinary Council meeting.

22/01/05

Carried

ITEM - 6 ELECTION OF MAYOR

Proceedings in Brief

The Deputy General Manager Services called for any final nominations.

The Deputy General Manager Services advised there was one (1) nomination for the position of Mayor. That being Cllr Beatty. She then advised the nomination was valid.

Cllr Beatty confirmed his acceptance of the nomination for the position of Mayor.

The Deputy General Manager Services, as Returning Officer, declared Cllr Beatty duly elected as Mayor of Cabonne Council until September 2023.

MOTION (Oldham/Jones)

THAT the General Manager proceed with the requirements for the election of the Mayor for Cabonne Council as detailed in the item relating to the determination of requirements for the election process.

22/01/06 Carried

ITEM - 7 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Proceedings in Brief

The Deputy General Manager Services called for any final nominations.

The Deputy General Manager Services advised there were two (2) nominations received for the position of Deputy Mayor, those being Clrs Jones and Nash.

Clr Jones confirmed his acceptance of the nomination for position of Deputy Mayor.

Clr Nash confirmed her acceptance of the nomination for position of Deputy Mayor.

The Deputy General Manager Services advised that both nominations were valid and that the vote would be conducted by ordinary ballot. She advised that a draw for order on the ballot paper would take place by placing both Clr Jones and Clr Nash's names on separate pieces of paper and placing them into a barrel, noting the first name drawn out would be the first name on the ballot paper.

The Deputy General Manager Services requested the Executive Support Officer – Cabonne Services shake the barrel. The first name drawn was Clr Jones. Clr Jones and Clr Nash's names were written on the ballot papers and the ballot papers were distributed.

After the collection of ballot papers the Deputy General Manager Services confirmed that all votes were valid and proceeded to count the votes.

The Deputy General Manager Services, as Returning Officer declared Clr Jones duly elected as the Deputy Mayor until September 2022.

MOTION (Oldham/Weaver)

THAT the General Manager proceed with the requirements for the election of the Deputy Mayor for Cabonne Council as detailed in the item relating to the determination of requirements for the election process.

22/01/07 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.07pm Clr Beatty resumed the Chair as the elected Mayor.

ITEM - 8 DESTRUCTION OF BALLOT PAPERS

MOTION (Oldham/Weaver)

THAT the ballot papers for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor be destroyed upon the completion of formalities associated with the respective ballots.

22/01/08 Carried

ITEM - 9 DELEGATION TO MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR (IN MAYOR'S ABSENCE)

MOTION (Nash/Rawson)

THAT subject to not receiving direction from the Council as to the consideration of any particular matter by the Council itself and subject to the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations thereunder and any express policy of the Council or regulations of any public authority other than the Council and pursuant to the powers conferred on Council by s377 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Mayor Kevin John Beatty and, where allowed, in his absence the Deputy Mayor Jamie Thomas Jones be authorised to exercise or perform on behalf of the Council the powers, authorities, duties and functions as follows:

1. To incur expenditure up to the sum of \$3,000 for incidental expenses, within approved votes of Council.
2. To receive a public interest disclosure in circumstances assigned to the position of Mayor in Council's Public Interest Disclosure (Internal Reporting) Policy.

22/01/09 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.17pm there was a brief adjournment of the meeting to allow the newly elected Mayor and Deputy Mayor to talk to the media.

It was noted the time being 2.25pm the Mayor resumed the meeting.

It was noted the time being 2.26pm Clr Pull declared interest in the following item and left the chamber.

ITEM - 10 DELEGATES TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS - FOR THE TERM OF COUNCIL

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Rawson called for an amendment to include candidates that are non-consumers of Central Tablelands Water.

The Mayor clarified that as per the information provided in the report, if there are more than two (2) nominations an election process would take place by way of two (2) separate elections.

The Deputy General Manager Services called for any final nominations, and advised that three (3) nominations had been received for the positions of delegate to Central Tablelands Water, those being Clrs Nash, Rawson and Weaver.

Clr Nash confirmed her acceptance of the nomination for position of delegate to Central Tablelands Water.

Clr Rawson confirmed his acceptance of the nomination for position of delegate to Central Tablelands Water.

Clr Weaver confirmed her acceptance of the nomination for position of delegate to Central Tablelands Water.

The Deputy General Manager Services advised that two (2) separate elections would take place, the first election would be conducted by preferential ballot, and the second election would be conducted by ordinary ballot.

The Deputy General Manager Services advised that a draw for order on the ballot paper would take place by placing the three (3) names on separate pieces of paper and placing them into a barrel, noting the ballot will be written in order of the names drawn out of the barrel. The Executive Support Officer – Cabonne Services shook the barrel. First drawn Clr Weaver, second drawn Clr Nash and third drawn Clr Rawson.

The names were written on the ballot papers and the ballot papers were distributed.

After the collection of ballot papers the Deputy General Manager Services confirmed that all votes were valid and proceeded to count the votes.

The Deputy General Manager Services declared that Clr Rawson, having an absolute majority of votes, is elected delegate to Central Tablelands Water.

The Deputy General Manager Services advised that the second election would commence to elect the second delegate.

The Deputy General Manager advised that a draw for order on the ballot paper would take place by placing the two (2) names on separate pieces of paper and placing them into a barrel noting the ballot will be written in order of the names drawn out of the barrel. The Deputy General Manager Infrastructure shook the barrel and drew the first name that being Clr Nash.

The names were written on the ballot papers and the ballot papers were distributed.

After the collection of ballot papers the Deputy General Manager Services confirmed that all votes were valid and proceeded to count the votes.

The Deputy General Manager Services declared that Clr Nash, having an absolute majority of votes, is elected delegate to Central Tablelands Water.

MOTION (Batten/Oldham)

THAT:

1. Council accept the nomination(s) for position of delegate to Central Tablelands Water County Council; and
2. If more than two nominations are received an election be held in accordance with the Regulations.

AMENDMENT (Rawson/O'Ryan)

THAT:

1. Council allow candidates to be nominated that are non-consumers of Central Tablelands Water;
2. Council accept the nomination(s) for position of delegate to Central Tablelands Water County Council; and
3. If more than two nominations are received an election be held in accordance with the Regulations.

The amendment was put and carried becoming the motion, the motion was put and carried.

MOTION (Rawson/O'Ryan)

THAT:

1. Council allow candidates to be nominated that are non-consumers of Central Tablelands Water;
2. Council accept the nomination(s) for position of delegate to Central Tablelands Water County Council; and
3. If more than two nominations are received an election be held in accordance with the Regulations.

22/01/10 Carried

It was noted the time being 2.45pm Clr Pull returned to the chamber.

ITEM - 11 FIXING THE DATE AND TIME FOR COUNCIL AND OTHER MEETINGS

MOTION (Oldham/Nash)

THAT regular meetings of Council be held at 2:00pm on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

22/01/11 Carried

ITEM - 12 RESOLUTION TO FILL VACANCIES

MOTION (Weaver/Nash)

THAT Council declare that casual vacancies occurring in the office of a councillor within 18 months of the election held on 4 December 2021 are filled by a countback of votes cast at the election held on 4 December 2021.

22/01/12 Carried

ITEM - 13 DISCLOSURES REPORTING

MOTION (Oldham/Rawson)

THAT councillors note the requirement to submit political donations and electoral expenditure to the NSW Electoral Commission.

22/01/13 Carried

ITEM - 14 2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW SPECIAL CONFERENCE

Proceedings in Brief

Clrs Oldham and Nash advised they would like to attend.

MOTION (Nash/Batten)

THAT Council:

1. Be represented at the 2022 Local Government NSW Special Conference by the Mayor, Clr Oldham and Nash, observers nominated by Council, and the General Manager or his delegate in an advisory capacity; and
2. Identify issues and/or motions to be submitted to the conference.

22/01/14 Carried

ITEM - 15 AUSTRALIA DAY 2022 TIMETABLE

Proceedings in Brief

Cumnock – Official Party

Molong – Official Party

Eugowra – Official Party

Canowindra – Clrs Weaver, O’Ryan and Pull

Cargo – Clrs Nash, O’Ryan and Rawson

Cudal – Clr Jones

Manildra – Clr Nash

Mullion Creek – Clrs Oldham and Rawson

Nashdale – Clr Rawson

Yeoval – Clr Batten

MOTION (Nash/Jones)

THAT councillor representation at Australia Day events throughout Cabonne is as detailed in the proceedings in brief.

22/01/15 Carried

ITEM - 16 POLICY REGISTER - MEDIA AND SOCIAL MEDIA PROTOCOLS POLICY

Proceedings in Brief

Clr Rawson requested that the policy explicitly state the protocols for Councillors use of media and social media.

MOTION (Nash/Batten)

THAT Council endorse the draft Media and Social Media Protocols Policy and place the draft policy on public exhibition.

22/01/16 Carried

ITEM - 17 BUILDING BETTER REGIONS FUND ROUND 6

MOTION (Weaver/Nash)

THAT Council:

1. Prepares to submit the following projects for funding under Round 6 of the Building Better Regions Fund:
 - i. Swimming Pools Masterplan projects valued at approximately \$3.2m
2. Provides \$2.2m towards the cost of the project, should the application be successful, and that the contribution be funded by Council's 2022 Resources for Regions allocation (if successful), Council's capital reserve as a secondary option, or through borrowings.

22/01/17 Carried

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.04pm.

CHAIRMAN.

Chairman of the Ordinary Meeting of Cabonne Council held on the 22 February, 2022 at which meeting the listed minutes were confirmed and the signature hereon was subscribed.