

**MINUTES OF MORNINGTON SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MISSION ROAD, GUNUNA
ON WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY 2023 AT 9.00AM**

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was opened by Mayor Kyle Yanner at 9:07am.

2 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to begin by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today, the Lardil people of Mornington Island and pay our respects to Elders past and present. We would also like to acknowledge the Kaiadilt, Yangkaal, Waanyi, Gangalidda and Garawa people who share our homelands.

3 PRESENT

Mayor Kyle Yanner, Cr David Barnes, Cr Dwayne Rogers, Cr Roxanne Thomas, Cr Robert Thompson
Gary Uhlmann, Daniel Dixon (Director of Engineering), Skye Price (Director of Coporate and Community),
Ian McCarthy (Chief Financial Officer) Brett de Chastel (Council Advisor) and Rhianne Williams (via TEAMS
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4 APOLOGIES

Nil

5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

Nil

6 CONDOLENCES AND MEMORIALS

A minutes silence was undertaken for loved ones who have passed.

7 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS**7.1 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR FROM JULY 2023****RESOLUTION 2023/113**

Moved: Cr David Barnes
Seconded: Mayor Cr Kyle Yanner

That Council;

1. thank and acknowledge Councillor David Barnes for his efforts and contributions undertaking the role of Deputy Mayor; and
2. That, in accordance with section 165(3) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the office of Deputy Mayor be declared vacant; and
3. That, in accordance with section 165(5) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Robert (Bobby) Thompson be appointed as Deputy Mayor from 26 July 2023.

CARRIED 5/0

At 9:50 am, Cr Roxanne Thomas left the meeting.

At 9:53 am, Cr Roxanne Thomas returned to the meeting.

8 FINANCIAL SERVICES**8.1 ADOPTION OF OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023/24****RESOLUTION 2023/114**

Moved: Cr David Barnes
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Robert Thompson

That Council adopt the 2023/24 Operational Plan as attached to the report by the Council Advisor.

CARRIED 5/0

8.2 ADOPTION OF FEES AND CHARGES 2023/24**RESOLUTION 2023/115**

Moved: Cr Dwayne Rogers
Seconded: Cr David Barnes

That Council adopt the 2023/24 Fees and Charges Register as attached to the report by the Council Advisor.

CARRIED 5/0

Meeting adjourned at 10:42am by Mayor for Morning Tea.

Meeting recommenced at 10:52am by Mayor.

8.3 ADOPTION OF 2023/24 BUDGET AND SUPPORTING MATERIAL**RESOLUTION 2023/116**

Moved: Cr Dwayne Rogers
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Cr David Barnes

That Council endorse in pursuant with Section s104 (5)(a)(iv) of the Local Government Act 2009 and s168, s169, s170, s171, S172 and s193 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Council adopt the Budget for the 2023/2024 financial year, incorporating:

- i. The statements of financial position;
- ii. The statements of cash flow;
- iii. The statements of income and expenditure for 2023/24 and subsequent two financial years;
- iv. The statements of changes in equity;
- v. The long-term financial forecast;
- vi. The Capital Works Program;
- vii. The revenue statement;
- viii. The revenue policy;
- ix. The debt policy
- x. The Investment policy
- xi. The relevant measures of financial sustainability;
- xii. The statement of the estimated financial position; and
- xiii. That the Council states that 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 is 7%.

CARRIED 5/0

8.4 INTEREST**RESOLUTION 2023/117**

Moved: Cr Dwayne Rogers
Seconded: Cr David Barnes

That Council endorse in pursuant with s133 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, compound interest at the rate of 11.64% per annum may be charged on all overdue charges.

CARRIED 5/0

8.5 LEVYING RATES AND CHARGES**RESOLUTION 2023/118**

Moved: Cr Dwayne Rogers
Seconded: Cr Robert Thompson

That Council endorse;

- a) in pursuant with s107 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council's utility charges be levied for the year 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 - in August 2023; and
- b) in pursuant to s118 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that Council's utility charges, be payable within 30 days of the date of the issue of the rate notice.

CARRIED 5/0

8.6 PAYING RATES AND CHARGES**RESOLUTION 2023/119**

Moved: Cr Roxanne Thomas
Seconded: Cr David Barnes

That Council endorse in pursuant with to s129 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that Council's utility charges may be payable by either weekly, fortnightly, monthly or yearly instalments within the levied financial year.

CARRIED 5/0

8.7 STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION**RESOLUTION 2023/120**

Moved: Cr Robert Thompson
Seconded: Cr David Barnes

That Council endorse in accordance with s205 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the statement of the financial operations and financial position of the Council in respect of the previous financial year ("the Statement of Estimated Financial Position") be received and its contents noted.

CARRIED 5/0

8.8 RECOGNITION OF STAFF

RESOLUTION 2023/121

Moved: Cr David Barnes
Seconded: Cr Robert Thompson

That Council recognise the work undertaken by its management staff in developing the 2023/24 budget and thank those staff and in particular, recognise and thank our Chief Financial Officer, for their collaborative efforts in finalising the budget that supports Council's goals.

CARRIED 5/0

8.9 ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

RESOLUTION 2023/122

Moved: Cr David Barnes
Seconded: Cr Robert Thompson

That Council adopt the organisation structure as attached to the report by the Council Advisor.

CARRIED 5/0

9 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

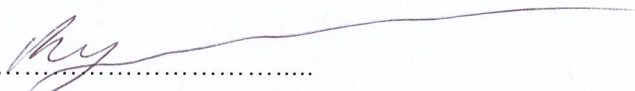
Nil

10 CLOSURE

Mayor Yanner closed the meeting at 11.22am

Gary Uhlmann
Chief Executive Officer.

Minutes Confirmed:

Mayor 

Date: 16 August 2023 .

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