



CONFIRMED COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, 25 July 2023

6:00pm

Meeting held in person

Community Room 1, Community Hub, Maryborough

and livestreamed on the internet.

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors:

Grace La Vella (Mayor)

Liesbeth Long

Geoff Lovett

Chris Meddows-Taylor

Gerard Murphy

Wayne Sproull

Anna de Villiers

Officers:

Chief Executive Officer Lucy Roffey

General Manager Assets Infrastructure and Planning Matthew Irving

General Manager Community Wellbeing Emma Little

General Manager Corporate Performance Mick Smith

Confirmed at the Council Meeting
on 22 August 2023

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1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND WELCOME

The Mayor commenced the meeting at 6pm, welcoming all present, with an Acknowledgement of Country and the Council Prayer.

PRESENT:

Councillors

Grace La Vella (Mayor)

Anna De Villiers

Liesbeth Long

Chris Meddows-Taylor

Gerard Murphy

Officers

Chief Executive Officer Lucy Roffey

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2. APOLOGIES

Councillor Sproull

Councillor Lovett

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councillor Murphy

- Item 8.1: Councillor Murphy is a Director of Unified Community Sports and Leisure; Unified Community Sports and Leisure manages the Maryborough Olympic Pool Complex.
- Item 8.3: Councillor Murphy is a Director of Unified Community Sports and Leisure ; Unified Community Sports and Leisure manages the Maryborough Olympic Pool Complex which contains the Maryborough Octagonal Pool.

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5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

To present for confirmation the following:

5.1 Minutes of the Council Meeting 27/06/2023

The Minutes were confirmed.

6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Nil.

7. PETITIONS

Nil.

8. OFFICER REPORTS

MOTION

That Council suspend standing orders to discuss a change in order to the Agenda.

Moved: Cr Murphy

Seconded: Cr Meddows-Taylor

CARRIED at 6:03pm

MOTION

That Council resume standing orders.

Moved: Cr Meddows-Taylor

Seconded: Cr De Villiers

CARRIED at 6:05pm

The Mayor confirmed change to the order of the Agenda with item 8.2 to be heard first followed by items 8.1 and 8.3.

8.1 Maryborough Aerodrome Business Case

The purpose of this report is to consider approval of the Maryborough Aerodrome Business Case (The Business Case) that was commissioned following the resolution of support from Council in April 2021.

This report also recommends formation and implementation of an ongoing advisory group to provide expert advice and guidance to the Council and its Executive on matters pertaining to the management, development, operation, and maintenance of the Maryborough Aerodrome (MA), upon completion of the current term of the Maryborough Aerodrome Taskforce (The Taskforce).

MOTION

That Council:

1. approves the Maryborough Aerodrome Business Case;
2. thanks the Maryborough Aerodrome Taskforce Chair and group for their work over the past two years;
3. approves the Maryborough Aerodrome Advisory Group Terms of Reference and commences the process to establish the group; and
4. nominate a Councillor to be the Chair of the Maryborough Aerodrome Advisory Group.

Moved: Councillor Meddows-Taylor

Seconded: Councillor Murphy

Carried

Councillor Meddows-Taylor and Councillor Murphy spoke to the motion.

Cr Murphy left the chamber at 6:12pm due to a declared conflict of interest in items 8.2 and 8.3.

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8.2 Growing Regions Fund Part one

The purpose of this report is to brief Council on the Federal Government's Growing Regions Program – Round One (GRP1) and the proposed approach being put forward to capitalise on funding within this program.

MOTION

That Council:

Supports an expression of interest application to the Federal Governments' Growing Regions Program – Round One for the Maryborough Olympic Pool Complex Project with a commitment of maximum \$4,000,000 of future borrowings as contribution required under the grant guidelines.

Moved: Councillor Meddows-Taylor

Seconded: Councillor De Villiers

Carried

Division called by Cr Long

In favour: Crs Meddows-Taylor, La Vella, de Villiers

Against: Cr Long

Councillor Meddows-Taylor spoke to the motion.

Councillor Liesbeth Long spoke against the motion.

8.3 Contract Payments Delegations Update

The report presents a proposed action on two contracts and associated variations that will require Council to consider due to exceeding Chief Executive Officer (CEO) delegation.

MOTION

That Council:

1. note the variations to the value of \$84,546.72 including GST approved to date under contract G1698-2022 Central Goldfields Swimming Pool Upgrade – Works;
2. authorise the Chief Executive Officer under delegation to approve final variations to contract G1698-2022 Central Goldfields Swimming

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Pool Upgrade - Works up to 5% of the total contract value of \$22,782.80 including GST; and

3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer under delegation to approve variations to contract G1722-2022 Maryborough Octagonal Pool Replacement up to 20% of the total contract value of \$275,282.13 including GST.

Moved: Councillor De Villiers

Seconded: Councillor Long

Carried

Councillor De Villiers spoke to the motion.

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

11. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

No confidential business

12. MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6:32 pm