



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

10 May 2021

**MINUTES OF KYOGLE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE KYOGLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, STRATHEDEN STREET, KYOGLE
ON MONDAY, 10 MAY 2021 AT 5PM**

PRESENT: Cr Danielle Mulholland (Mayor), Cr John Burley (Deputy Mayor), Cr Maggie May, Cr Hayden Doolan, Cr Earle Grundy, Cr Kylie Thomas, Cr Robert Dwyer

IN ATTENDANCE: The General Manager, Director Planning and Environmental Services, Director Assets and Infrastructure Services, Manager Corporate Services, Executive Assistant to the General Manager.

1 OPEN MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 5pm and advised those in attendance that the meeting was being webcast and speakers should refrain from making defamatory comments.

2 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Apologies were received by Cr Janet Wilson and Cr Lindsay Passfield.

2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED CO/0521/1

Moved by Cr Danielle Mulholland, seconded by Cr John Burley

That Council grant a leave of absence to Councillors Janet Wilson and Lindsay Passfield for the 10 May 2021 Ordinary Meeting.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Lindsay Passfield

3 OPENING PRAYER

The Mayor read the opening prayer.

4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional lands of the Bundjalung people and acknowledged Elders past, present and emerging.

5 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Nil

6 PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 COUNCIL REPORT - 12 APRIL 2021

RESOLVED CO/0521/2

Moved by Cr John Burley, seconded by Cr Maggie May

That Council confirms the minutes of the Council meeting of 12 April 2021.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Lindsay Passfield

8 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

10.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED CO/0521/3

Moved by Cr Robert Dwyer, seconded by Cr Hayden Doolan

That Council receives and notes the report, *Questions From The Last Council Meeting*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Lindsay Passfield

11 REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

Nil

12 INFORMATION REPORTS**12.1 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT - APRIL 2021****RESOLVED CO/0521/4**

Moved by Cr Earle Grundy, seconded by Cr Kylie Thomas

That Council receives and notes the information contained in the report, *Monthly Finance Report – April 2021*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Lindsay Passfield

Director Assets and Infrastructure Services arrived at the meeting at 5.07pm.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

12.2 WORKS PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT - APRIL 2021**RESOLVED CO/0521/5**

Moved by Cr John Burley, seconded by Cr Hayden Doolan

That Council receives and notes the information contained in the report, *Works Program Progress Report – April 2021*.

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Lindsay Passfield

13 STAFF REPORTS**13.1 MARCH 2021 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW****RESOLVED CO/0521/6**

Moved by Cr Earle Grundy, seconded by Cr Hayden Doolan

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the March 2021 Quarterly Budget Review Statement;
2. Approves the variation of estimates contained in the table below:

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT VARIANCES		
MARCH QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW		
DETAILS	QUARTERLY ADJUSTMENT	
	INCOME	EXPENSES
Administration - Capital Expenditure		25,000
Finance - Sundry Income	13,000	
Crown Reserves - Contributions	10,000	
Crown Reserves - Operating Costs		10,000
Environmental Health - Grants	10,000	
Environmental Health - Flying Fox Management Plan		10,000
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Art Gallery Revenue	15,000	
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Community Services Revenue	5,862	
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Summer break Grant	10,000	
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Baker Boy Grant	30,000	
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Art Gallery Other		15,000
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Community Services Expenses		6,724
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Summer Break		10,000
Strategic, Community & Cultural - Baker Boy Grant		30,000
Rural Roads - Maintenance		150,000
Rural Roads - Capital Grants	(17,583)	
Rural Roads - Capital Expenditure		(25,276)
Bridges - Capital Expenditure		174,878
Emergency Services - Capital Grants	2,184	
Emergency Services - Capital Expenditure		4,079
Parks & Gardens - Grants	95,636	
Parks & Gardens - Parks on Crown Reserves		95,636
Parks & Gardens - Community Contributions	(7,600)	
Engineering Administration - Employment		50,000
Engineering Administration - Recoveries		(220,000)
State Highways - Work Order Income	1,269,305	
State Highways - Maintenance Contract Income	(97,326)	
State Highways - Work Order Costs		1,130,456
State Highways - Maintenance Contract Costs		(97,326)

Quarries - Sales	110,000	
Quarries - Working Expenses		70,000
Totals	1,448,478	1,439,171
	Net Adjustment	9,307

CARRIED

FOR VOTE - Unanimous vote

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE – Cr Janet Wilson, Cr Lindsay Passfield

14 URGENT BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

15 QUESTIONS FOR NEXT ORDINARY MEETING

Cr Thomas: In regard to the Fixing Local Roads Funding, have we received any advice on when the next round of funding will be open?

General Manager: Not at this stage. Council does have some advance notice on the outcomes of the previous round, but they are still embargoed at this stage.

Cr Robert Dwyer: Some time ago we received a letter from local Lions Club in regard to the Kyogle Lookout. Has there been any follow up? What is likely to happen?

General Manager: The response Council has given the Lions Club and other interested parties about the Lookout is that when the Fairymount land acquisition is completed, Council will do a broad plan of management for that whole area, including the Lookout, Fairymount, the old quarry and connecting land in between. In the interim, fixing the road up to the Lookout and guardrail replacement have been identified as priorities in the works program.

Cr Robert Dwyer: Some time ago, Councillors were advised that when residents rang with concerns about potholes and roads that we should refer them to Council. My question is what should we do when residents, angry with that response, come back with “what do we elect councillors for if not to represent us”.

Mayor: The Councillors’ job is to set policy and it’s the staff’s job to enact that policy by managing the operational arm of the council. Under the Local Government Act, there is a clear delineation between what our duties are as councillors and what the staff’s duties are. So that would be my response to people questioning what Councillors get elected to do. And if residents have followed the due process and complained to Council, and then if nothing has happened or it’s not been followed up, that’s when you can approach either the General Manager or one of the Directors about the issue.

16 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS PAPER

Nil

17 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 5.15pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 June 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON