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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF  
THE SHIRE OF COBAR HELD IN THE EUABALONG COMMUNITY  
HALL ON THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER 2016 COMMENCING AT  
1:05PM**

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**PRESENT (FILE C13-2)**

Councillors Lilliane Brady OAM (Mayor), Peter Abbott (Deputy Mayor), Tracey Kings, Janine Lea-Barrett, Jarrod Marsden, Peter Maxwell, Harley Toomey and Bob Sinclair. Messrs Peter Vlatko (General Manager), Kym Miller (Director of Corporate and Community Services) and Stephen Taylor (Director of Engineering Services) and Mmes Angela Shepherd (Special Projects Officer) and Janette Booth (Executive Assistant – General Manager/Mayor).

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**APOLOGIES (FILE C13-2)**

**195.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the apologies received from Councillors Jarrod Marsden, Greg Martin, Julie Payne and Peter Yench be accepted and a leave of absence granted.  
*Clr Sinclair / Clr Lea-Barrett* **CARRIED**

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**PUBLIC ACCESS SESSION**

- Euabalong Community Member – Mr David Gleeson.
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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (FILE C12-3)**

Nil.

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**CONDOLENCES (FILE M2-3)**

- Kenneth Roy Hibbert;
- Elsie Green;
- Dorothy May Blacker OAM;
- Thomas Walter Miller;
- Geoffrey James Allen;
- Andrew Matheson.

A minutes silence was observed by those in attendance.

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**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL (FILE C13-11)**

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GENERAL MANAGER

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MAYOR

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**196.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday, 22 September 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.  
*Clr Abbott / Clr Lea-Barrett* **CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 1A – MAYORAL REPORT**

**FILE: C13-1-5** **AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**  
**AUTHOR: Mayor, Councillor Lilliane Brady OAM**

**197.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That Council accepts the information contained in the Mayoral Report for the month of October 2016.  
*Clr Sinclair / Clr Lehmann* **CARRIED**

Mayor Lilliane Brady OAM has nominated her interest to be Cobar Shire Councils Representative on the Western NSW Mining and Resource Development Taskforce.

Further nominations were called for and Clr Janine Lea-Barrett has put forward her nominated.

A vote was taken by a show of hands and Mayor Lilliane Brady was approved by majority vote.

**198.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That Mayor Lilliane Brady OAM be nominated as Cobar Shire Councils Representative on the Western NSW Mining and Resource Development Taskforce.  
*Clr Sinclair / Clr Kings* **CARRIED**

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**PUBLIC ACCESS – EUABALONG COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

**FILE: A11-2** **AOP REFERENCE: 3.2**  
**AUTHOR: Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd**

**199.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That Council resolves to thank Euabalong Community for their address and for hosting this Council Meeting and Council looks forward to continuing to work with the Euabalong Community into the future.  
*Clr Sinclair/ Clr Toomey* **CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 2A – LGNSW TRAINING – EXECUTIVE CERTIFICATE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS**

**FILE: C12-1** **AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.4.1**  
**AUTHOR: General Manager, Peter Vlatko**

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**MOTION:** That Council approves the attendance of Councillor Janine Lea-Barrett at the 2016 Local Government NSW Training – Executive Certificate for Elected Members in Sydney to be held between 11-13 November and 9 -10 December 2016.

*Clr Lea-Barrett / Clr*

**LAPSED**

**The Motion lapsed for want of a Seconder.**

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**CLAUSE 3A – SUSPENSION OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONES**

**FILE: C13-1 & H1-9**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.1.1**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**200.10.2016**

**RESOLVED:** That Council supports the application from the Cobar Business Association to have the Alcohol Free Zone suspended on the provision that Cobar Business Association follow the Licensing Guidelines provided by the Local Area Command.

*Clr Kings / Clr Lehmann*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 4A – MEETING ARRANGEMENTS – CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR (INCLUDING NOTIFICATION OF STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY)**

**FILE: C6-16**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**201.10.2016**

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the following Meeting arrangements be adopted for the Christmas and New Year period:
  - Ordinary Council Meeting – Thursday, 8 December 2016;
  - No Meetings to be held during January 2017;
  - The normal Meeting cycle to resume in February 2017.
2. That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated authority, jointly, to deal with matters of an urgent nature for the period commencing 9 December 2016 to 9 February 2017 and that if any urgent matters are dealt with under this authority that they be reported to the February 2017 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

*Clr Toomey / Clr Lea-Barrett*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 5A – 2016 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW HUMAN RESOURCES ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

**FILE: L5-5-2**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.2**

**AUTHOR: *Acting Human Resources Manager, Summer Patterson***

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**MOTION:** That Council approves the attendance of the Acting Human Resources Manager at the 2016 Local Government Human Resources Conference.

*Clr Abbott / Clr Maxwell*

**AMENDMENT:** That the Conference be held over until a permanent appointment of a Human Resources Manager is appointed.

*Clr Kings / Clr Lehmann*

**CARRIED**

**The Amendment was put and became the Motion.**

**202.10.2016** **RESOLVED:** That the Conference be held over until a permanent appointment of a Human Resources Manager is appointed.

*Clr Kings / Clr Lehmann*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 6A – CODE OF CONDUCT ANNUAL REPORT**

**FILE: P5-8**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5**

**AUTHOR:** *Director of Corporate and Community Services, Kym Miller*

**203.10.2016** **RESOLVED:**

1. That the Code of Conduct Annual Report be received and noted.
2. That the statistics contained in the Report be reported to the Office of Local Government.

*Clr Sinclair / Clr Lehmann*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 7A – UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**2015/2016**

**FILE: A12-2**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**Author:** *Director of Corporate and Community Services, Kym Miller*

**204.10.2016** **RESOLVED:**

1. In accordance with Section 413 (1) of the Local Government Act 1993 Council refer the draft Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2016 for audit.
2. In accordance with Section 413 (2)(c) Mayor Brady OAM, Councillor Abbott, General Manager Mr. Vlatko and the Responsible Accounting Officer sign the required statement as to Council's opinion of the accounts.

*Clr Maxwell / Clr Lea-Barrett*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 8A – ALLOWANCE FOR LEAKS POLICY**

**FILE: P5-104**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4**

**AUTHOR: Rates Officer, Jo-Louise Brown**

**205.10.2016 RESOLVED:**

1. That the draft Allowance for Leaks Policy be placed on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days.
2. That Council consider, at the December Ordinary Council Meeting, the draft Allowance for Leaks Policy along with any submissions received following the public exhibition period.

*Clr Lehmann / Clr Kings*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 9A – UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT FINANCES**

**FILE: G4-29**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.4.2**

**AUTHOR: Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor**

**206.10.2016 RESOLVED:**

1. That Council receive and note the updated financial information for the two Restart NSW Resources for Regions infrastructure projects.
2. That Council approves the development of the Effluent Chlorination Facility within the current approved funding and postpones the East Cobar Sewer Expansion until further funding can be obtained.
3. That a further report be considered by Council when effluent chlorination facility final design and cost estimates are available.

*Clr Abbott / Clr Lehmann*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 10A – REVIEW OF CURRENT WATER RESTRICTIONS**

**FILE: W2-21**

**AOP REFERENCE: 5.1.3**

**AUTHOR: Acting Services Manager, David Sechtig**

**207.10.2016 RESOLVED:** That Council amends the current water restrictions the following commencing on Thursday, 27 October 2016:

Cobar

- Hand held hoses are permitted between 5pm and 9am daily;
  - All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc, be permitted between 6pm and 8am daily;
  - No car washing be permitted on hard surfaces.
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Nymagee and Mount Hope:

- Hand held hoses be permitted between 5pm and 9am daily;
- All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc, are banned;
- No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.

*Clr Abbott / Clr Maxwell*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 11A – FIRST QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2016/2017**

**FILE: L5-22**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**AUTHOR: *Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd***

**208.10.2016**

**RESOLVED:** That Council receives and endorses the first quarterly review of the 2016/2017 Annual Operational Plan, covering the period July to September 2016.

*Clr Maxwell / Clr Sinclair*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 12A – POLICY ON COAL SEAM GAS EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION**

**FILE: M4-1**

**AOP REFERENCE: 5.3.1 & 5.1.1.1**

**AUTHOR: *Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd***

**209.10.2016**

**RESOLVED:** That Council endorses the policy position for Coal Seam Gas Exploration and Production as adopted by Council in May 2014 and no further work be undertaken at this stage.

*Clr Toomey / Clr Sinclair*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 13A – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY**

**FILE: L5-22**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.3**

**AUTHOR: *Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd***

**210.10.2016**

**RESOLVED:**

1. That Council resolves to adopt the Cobar Shire Council Community Engagement Strategy and that it be made publically available and reviewed in four years' time.
2. That Council notes the engagement plans in the appendices which will be used in the review of the integrated planning and reporting documents and the development of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan.
3. That Councillors endeavour to participate as much as possible in the community engagement activities that will be undertaken in the development of the Cobar 2030 Plan and associated documents.

*Clr Kings / Clr Maxwell*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 14A – SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY  
2016**

**FILE: S5-27**

**AOP REFERENCE: 1.3.4.1**

**AUTHOR: *Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd***

**211.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the Council Senior Citizens Christmas Party be held in the Cobar Shire Council Chambers on Friday, 9 December 2016.

*Clr Abbott / Clr Sinclair*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 1B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 14  
SEPTEMBER 2016 – 17 OCTOBER 2016**

**FILE: T5-1**

**AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Planning & Environmental Services,  
Garry Ryman***

**212.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 14 September 2016 – 17 October 2016 be received and noted.

*Clr Sinclair / Clr Abbott*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 2B – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT**

**FILE: C13-10**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**213.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 702 Part 2, 777, 785, 823, 855, 878, 892, 893, 897, 905 Part 1 and Part 2, 933, 944, 945, 946, 948, 949, 950, 952, 953 and 954.

*Clr Toomey / Clr Abbott*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 3B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30  
SEPTEMBER 2016**

**FILE: B2-7**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7**

**AUTHOR: *Manager Finance & Administration, Neil Mitchell***

**214.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 30 September 2016.

*Clr Abbott / Clr Sinclair*

**CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 4B – BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW &  
LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2016**

**FILE: B2-7**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5**

**AUTHOR: *Manager Finance & Administration, Neil Mitchell***

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**215.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 30 September 2016.  
*Clr / Clr* **CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 5B – MEETING MINUTES**

**FILE: C8-6-4** **AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**  
**AUTHOR:** *Executive Assistant General Manager/ Mayor, Janette Booth*

**216.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Cobar Youth Council Committee Meetings be received and noted.  
*Clr Toomey/ Clr Lea-Barrett* **CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 6B – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK**

**FILE: R5-31** **AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**  
**AUTHOR:** *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor*

**217.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the information detailing the Expenditure for Council's Roads Network be received and noted.  
*Clr Maxwell / Clr Lea-Barrett* **CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 7B – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT**

**FILE: C6-20-2** **AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**  
**AUTHOR:** *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor*

**218.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the information contained in the Engineering Works Report detailing maintenance on Shire and Regional Roads, State Highways and Water Sewer Mains, Resources for Regions Projects and other Major Grant Works be received and noted.  
*Clr Lea-Barrett/ Clr Abbott* **CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 8B – GRANT FUNDING**

**FILE: G4-17** **AOP REFERENCE: G4-17**  
**AUTHOR:** *Special Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd*

**218.10.2016**     **RESOLVED:** That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available be received and noted.  
*Clr Abbott /Clr Lea-Barrett* **CARRIED**

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**CLAUSE 9B – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT  
30 SEPTEMBER 2016**

**FILE: R2-1**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6**

**AUTHOR: *Rates Officer, Jo-Louise Brown***

**219.10.2016 RESOLVED:** That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 30 September 2016 be received and noted.  
*Clr Sinclair / Clr Abbott* **CARRIED**

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**GENERAL MANAGER MATTER**

**220.10.2016 RESOLVED:**

1. That the General Manager be authorised to provide Training and Conferencing to Staff within the relevant Council Budget.
2. That a monthly Report be provided to Council on Conferences attended by Staff.

*Clr Lea-Barrett/ Clr Kings* **CARRIED**

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**MATTER OF URGENCY – VARIATION TO SWIMMING  
POOL ADMISSION FEES**

**FILE: S9-2**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.3.1**

**AUTHOR: *Councillor, Janine Lea-Barrett***

**221.10.2016 RESOLVED:** That this Matter be accepted as a Matter of Urgency.  
*Clr Lea-Barrett/ Clr Kings* **CARRIED**

**222.10.2016 RESOLVED:**

1. A fortnightly child's pass be introduced at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool for the period 1 December 2016 to 31 January 2017 at a fee of \$15.00;
2. That the proposal be placed on public exhibition as per Schedule 610F (2) of the Local Government Act 1993;
3. That if no objections are received as a result of the consultation process the fees are immediately implemented.

*Clr Lea-Barrett/ Clr Abbott* **CARRIED**

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**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 2:59PM**

**CONFIRMED.....**

**MINUTE NO.....**

**MAYOR.....**