

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water held at
Blayney Shire Council, on Wednesday, 10 April 2013,
commencing at 10.30am**

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| <u>Present</u> | Cr. Geoff Braddon OAM | (Chairman) | Blayney |
| | Cr. Geoffrey McClelland | (Deputy Chairman) | Weddin |
| | Cr. Anthony Durkin | | Cabonne |
| | Cr. Kevin Walker | | Cabonne |
| | Cr. David Somerville | | Blayney |
| | Cr. Alan Griffiths | | Weddin |
| | Tony Perry | (General Manager) | |
| | Gavin Rhodes | (Finance & Corporate Services Manager) | |

APOLOGIES

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**13/144 RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water, held on 13 February 2013, being minute numbers 13/126 to 13/143 inclusive, be confirmed.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Walker)

CHAIRMAN'S MINUTE

Today is our annual budget meeting where we consider the where council is going not only next year but in the future and the fees and charges we set will have a significant bearing on when and where councils infrastructure upgrade programme is carried out.

The General Manager and the Finance & Corporate Services Manager will present a mini workshop for Council to consider what options may be available.

During the past two months there have been some significant events that have occurred. As recently as two weeks ago, I accompanied the General Manager and our Federal Member John Cobb to visit the possible dam site at the Needles on the Belubula River where it has been suggested a 90,000 megalitre dam could be built and we also visited the proposed Lake Rowlands new dam site. John Cobb was very interested and is supportive of increased water storage for the region.

As we all know, the Local Government Independent Review Panel has been conducting a series of public consultation meetings and recently the Chairman of the IRP, Professor Sansom, met with the Board of Centroc and on that day the WBC Board was fortunate to have a one to one with Professor Sansom and present him with the WBC submission.

CTW has also lodged a submission which the GM circulated to all councillors.

I am disappointed with the Centroc and Orange City Council submissions to the IRP. The Centroc submission was rather critical of County Councils and the reasons put forward were rather weak and lacking in substance. Orange City Council was also

critical of a County Council model and also put forward the claim to take over CTW and for Orange City Council to become the regional water authority.

The next Centroc Board meeting will be on 23 May and it is being held at Parliament House in Sydney and will be addressed by quite a number of Ministers. Could be very interesting.

I have nothing else to report so I would like someone to move that my Chairman's minute be noted and endorsed.

13/145 RESOLVED:

That the Chairman's Minute, as read, be accepted and the contents therein be noted and endorsed.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somervaille)

COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION

The Chairman reported that he had represented Council at the Centroc and WBC Board Meetings.

Cr McClelland and Cr Griffiths represented Council at the meeting with Weddin Shire Council to negotiate the transfer of Bogolong Dam and the subsequent visit to Bogolong Dam with representatives from Weddin Shire Council.

01) INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING 2013/2014 MANAGEMENT PLAN (FM.PL.1)

13/146 RESOLVED:

1. That council endorses the draft:
 - a. Delivery Plan 2013 – 2017
 - b. Operational Plan 2013 - 2014 – Part 1 & 2
 - c. Workforce management Plan 2012 – 2016
 - d. Asset Management Strategy and Plans
 - e. Long Term Financial Plan

To be placed on public display for a period of 28 days.

2. That the CTW Community Strategic Plan be adopted by Council.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Walker)

02) FINANCIAL MATTERS (FM.BA.1)

13/147 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Somervaille/Cr. McClelland)

03) NATURAL DISASTER FUNDING (CM.CI.1)**13/148 RESOLVED:**

That the information be noted.
(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Griffiths)

04) NEW MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT (GO.PR.1)**13/149 RESOLVED:**

That Council:

1. Note the information, endorse the appointment of Mr Gavin Rhodes as Council's complaints coordinator and Mr Darrell Sligar as alternate complaints coordinator.
2. Endorse the appointment of the Conduct Review Panel as recommended for appointment by the Executive Manager of the WBC Alliance.
3. Allow the appointment of a panel member from a formally selected panel of any other Centroc Council in the instance where the nominated panel members are unavailable or unable due to conflict or policy restriction to assess the code of conduct item

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Somerville)

05) DEVELOPER SERVICING PLAN (DB.LA.1)**13/150 RESOLVED:**

That:

1. Council adopt the 2012 draft Developer Servicing Plan (DSP) for Lake Rowlands and Quandialla supply areas;
2. Council adopt the following developer charges, as calculated in the DSP, for all subdivision developments within the Lake Rowlands and Quandialla DSP areas:

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| (a) Lake Rowlands | \$ 8,333.00 |
| (b) Quandialla | \$15,088.00 |
3. The capital contribution charge for all vacant unbuilt upon land within the existing village of Quandialla remain in accordance with the adopted annual fees and charges;

(Cr. Somerville/Cr. McClelland)

06) COUNCILLOR EXPENSES AND FACILITIES POLICY (GO.CO.1)**13/151 RESOLVED:**

That Council adopt the draft Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policies.
(Cr. Somerville/Cr. Durkin)

07) WBC ALLIANCE - PROJECT OFFICER'S REPORT (CM.AG.6)

13/152 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.
(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Griffiths)

08) ANNUAL STAFF PICNIC (PE.AR.1)

13/153 RESOLVED:

That approval be given for the closing of Council's administration office on Friday 10th May 2013 for the occasion of the Annual Award Staff Picnic Day.
(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somerville)

09) BOGOLONG DAM (WS.SP.7)

12.14pm: Crs McClelland and Griffiths declared an interest in this item and left the meeting room.

13/154 RESOLVED:

1. That Council endorse to General Manager's offer to transfer Bogolong Dam and its internal infrastructure to Weddin Shire Council for the nominal price of \$1.00 and authorise the General Manager to place Council's Common Seal on the transfer documentation.
2. That Council agree to the points of agreement as outlined in the acceptance letter from Weddin Shire Council, dated 2 April 2013.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Durkin)

12.21pm: Crs McClelland and Griffiths resumed their attendance at the meeting.

10) MAINTENANCE OF COUNCIL'S SYSTEMS (WS.MO.4)

13/155 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.
(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somerville)

11) PERFORMANCE OF COUNCIL'S SYSTEMS (WS.MO.4)

13/156 RESOLVED:

That the information be noted.
(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somerville)

- 12) **WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 1426000004 (CR.EQ.1)**
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WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 1954010003 (CR.EQ.1)
WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 9101100007 (CR.EQ.1)
WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 9471010000 (CR.EQ.1)
WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 1716000003 (CR.EQ.1)

13/157 **RESOLVED:**

That, as these matters deal with items that are subject to the affairs of an individual, Council consider it in Committee of the Whole and that in terms of Section 10A (2) of the Local Government Act, the press and the public be excluded from the meeting of the Committee of the Whole.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somerville)

13) **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

No questions on notice were received.

14) **PROCEED TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

13/158 **RESOLVED:**

That, as business for the Ordinary Meeting has now concluded, Council proceed into Committee of the Whole to discuss the items referred to in the report.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Somerville)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 1426000004 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council grant the consumer a one off 50% reduction on the consumption recorded on the February 2013 water account.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Somerville)

WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 63729000008 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adhere to its policy of no concession for water leakage.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Somerville)

WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 63710000009 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council grant the consumer a one off 50% reduction on the consumption recorded on the February 2013 water account.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. McClelland)

WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 1954010003 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council grant the consumer a one off 50% reduction on the consumption recorded on the February 2013 water account.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Walker)

WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 9101100007 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adhere to its policy of no concession for water leakage.

(Cr. Somerville/Cr. Walker)

WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 9471010000 (CR.EQ.1)

12.40pm: Cr Walker declared an interest in this item and left the room.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council grant the consumer a one off 50% reduction on the consumption recorded on the February 2013 water account.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Griffiths)

12.44pm: Cr Walker returned to the meeting.

WATER LEAKAGE – ACCOUNT 1716000003 (CR.EQ.1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council grant the consumer a one off 50% reduction on the consumption recorded on the February 2013 water account.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Durkin)

RECOMMENDATION:

That as the deliberation of the Committee is concluded, the Council reconvene the Ordinary Meeting.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Sommerville)

15) REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

13/159 RESOLVED:

That the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Walker)

Next Meeting: The next meeting of Central Tablelands Water will be held in Molong on Wednesday 12th June 2013.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 12.46pm.